



# WEEKLY UPDATE

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*Be a Light for All to See*  
Matthew 5:16

## Important News & Notes:



**Staying Vigilant:** In Week 11 of the 2020-2021 school year, we remain committed to proper safety measures, transparent communication, and responsibly adapting to any information we have. Through the strong partnership between the school and the family, we have been able to remain vigilant in keeping the well-being of our students, faculty and staff, as our top priority.

Thank you parents for continuing to actively monitor the health of your child(ren) and your family members daily and for being alert to any of the major symptoms of the virus, including, but not limited to, fever, cough, sore throat, and shortness of breath. Please see the attached flow chart for further information. Should COVID-like symptoms appear, please contact your medical professional and alert the school nurse at 410-766-7130 x102 or send an email to [covid19@msladeschool.com](mailto:covid19@msladeschool.com). We can only be successful through our joint diligence and by taking all symptoms seriously. By continuing to adhere strictly to our safety protocols, we are committed to maintaining a safe environment for our students and staff.

**School Family Travel Protocols:** The Archdiocese of Baltimore Department of Schools and Monsignor Slade Catholic School continue to work closely with the Maryland Department of Health, the local County Health Department, and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention regarding safety guidelines and recommendations during the COVID-19 pandemic. The Maryland Department of Health has issued a public health advisory for out-of-state travel, in which Marylanders are strongly advised against traveling to states with positivity rates of 10% or higher. The CDC warns that travel increases your chance of getting and spreading COVID-19 and recommends that the best way to protect yourself and others is to stay home.

Within the Archdiocese of Baltimore, we continue to work diligently to mitigate the risks of COVID-19. Monsignor Slade Catholic School has established a policy whereby both students and staff must notify school administration in writing if they intend to travel to a state or country with a positivity rate for COVID-19 of 10% or greater during the period of their stay (see <https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/testing/tracker/overview> if the state you are visiting has reached that threshold). In the event that students and/or staff members elect to proceed to visit a state with a positivity rate of 10% or greater, those traveling will be required upon their return to provide evidence of a negative PCR test result for COVID-19 and are asymptomatic, or they have completed an entire 14-day quarantine.

Upon a student's return from out-of-state travel, he/she will receive the classwork that he/she missed and access will be provided to participate in distance learning while the student waits to return to school. The school has and will continue to evaluate our recommendations as informed by MDH and CDC. Thank you for partnering with us.

**Progress Reports for the 1st Trimester** will be sent home via email on Friday, December 4th.

## Important News & Notes (continued):

**Calendar Change:** Please be reminded that **Tuesday, November 24th**, will be a half-day for all students with a 12:15 p.m. dismissal.

**Family Information Forms:** Recently, forms were sent home to verify the family data we have on file here at school. The deadline to return these forms was Thursday, November 12th; so, if you have not already done so, please return the form by Monday, November 16th. If there are no changes, simply sign the bottom of the form and return it to school. Remote learners can email Mrs. Datz with any changes or to inform the school that there are no changes necessary at [r.datz@mrladeschool.com](mailto:r.datz@mrladeschool.com). Thank you so much for your attention to this matter.

**Virtual Apopka Toy Drive:** Our annual Apopka Toy Drive began on Monday, November 9th, and concludes on Wednesday, December 2nd. Because of COVID restrictions, we cannot collect items within the school building; therefore, we will participate in a "Virtual Toy Drive" for Christmas 2020. If you would like to participate in the toy drive, simply click on the following Amazon wish list to select a new item or toy to donate: [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3508WQG1DBR40?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3508WQG1DBR40?ref_=wl_share)

When purchasing, please be sure to indicate that you want the item shipped directly to the community center so that it isn't mistakenly sent to your home. **(Hope Community Center, 1016 N. Park Ave., Apopka, FL 32712.)**

If you are unable to purchase a gift through Amazon but you'd still like to participate, you may send in a monetary donation to the school. We will combine all cash contributions to send to the sisters in Florida. Please send your cash or check (made payable to MSCS) donation into school in an envelope marked to the attention of Mrs. Kathie Sullivan, Support Programs Coordinator. We feel certain the community center will appreciate anything that we are able to offer. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**"Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest:** Students in grades K-8 have the opportunity to participate in the 'Keep Christ in Christmas' poster contest, which is sponsored by the Father McGivney Council of the Knights of Columbus. There are three age divisions: Grades K-2, 3-5, and 6-8. Attached you will find contest rules and entry information, including the entry form which must be affixed to the back of the drawing. All entries must be submitted on 12" X 18" paper; the Knights have supplied us with this larger-sized paper to be distributed to all interested students. For remote learners who would like to participate, simply submit your drawing on a 12 X 18 sheet of paper. If you cannot obtain this size elsewhere and you would like, please feel free to stop by the school office during regular hours to pick up a sheet of the larger paper for your child. Please note: All entries are due by Monday, November 30th.



**SchoolStore.com Fundraiser:** This past Monday, your child brought home an envelope with details about a fundraiser with SchoolStore.com to raise funds for our school. This fundraiser is 100% online, so there is no selling or handling money or products. The information provided includes details about how your child can earn prizes simply by participating. Please note: Each child must register separately to be eligible for prizes. All students that register will receive a Wild Republic Hugger Mystery Prize (picture on the envelope) as soon as the envelope is returned to school. Children in grades 4-8 may choose a set of Digital Earbuds instead of the Hugger, but these will be given out at a later date. If you would like this option, please indicate this on the envelope, and Mrs. Sullivan will distribute them as soon as the earbuds arrive.



## Advancement Announcements:

**Re-registration Information** was sent out via email to all current families today. We cannot believe it's time to begin planning for next year already! Please review so that you do not miss upcoming deals.

Our first **Virtual Open House** was quite a success! Prospective families attended the main event and both information sessions. We also received multiple applications on the 11th. **Thank you for spreading the word and sharing the good news about Monsignor Slade.**

**What's missing from COMMUNITY? You! Celebrate your Slade Spirit--display a yard sign at your home, business, or neighborhood.** The Advancement Committee is ordering lawn signs to celebrate Slade's reopening and draw attention to our school for the upcoming recruitment season. [Complete this Google poll to request a sign or signs.](#) You may also share the poll with grandparents or godparents who may enjoy supporting the school.

**Holiday Prep!** As we all begin to prepare for and enjoy holiday festivities, please remember to scan your receipts with the BoxTops app and shop via AmazonSmile or MySchoolStore!

### Office Depot Gives Back to Schools!

Five percent of your purchases can benefit Monsignor Slade! Just give or enter the school's name or ID: **70046721**



If you forget to give the information at the time of purchase, [you can enter it here.](#)

**Parish Liaison needed for Our Lady of the Chesapeake** to share information regarding MSCS with the parish and parish groups, and to share news from OLC with the school community to foster mutually beneficial communication focused on our mission and the Catholic faith. Email [c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com](mailto:c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com) if interested.



### November Photo Challenge!

Submit your photos via social media or to [c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com](mailto:c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com)



### Mission Statement

Rooted in Catholic faith and committed to academic excellence, Monsignor Slade Catholic School is dedicated to forming the whole child to know, love, and be disciples of Christ.

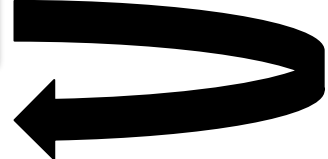
# A COVID-LIKE ILLNESS IS DEFINED AS...

**1** Of the following:  
Cough  
Shortness of breath  
Difficulty Breathing  
New loss of taste or smell

**OR**

**2** Of the following:  
Fever of 100.4F or higher  
Chills  
Muscle aches  
Sore Throat  
Headache  
Nausea or Vomiting  
Diarrhea  
Fatigue  
Congestion or runny nose

*Stay home if symptoms begin before school, or go to the school nurse if symptoms start during the school day.*



## When can I return to school?

### Positive COVID-19 PCR Test

May return 10 days after symptoms first appeared

**AND**

At least 24 hours no fever without taking medication

**AND**

Symptoms have improved.

Close contacts should stay home for 14 days from date of last exposure to confirmed or suspected (no alternative diagnosis) case.



### No COVID-19 PCR Test Done

May return 10 days after symptoms first appeared

**AND**

At least 24 hours no fever without taking medication

**AND**

Symptoms have improved.

**OR**

Doctor's note with a written alternative diagnosis and symptoms have improved/no fever for 24 hours without medication.

### Negative COVID-19 PCR Test

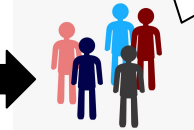
At least 24 hours no fever without taking medicine

**AND**

Respiratory symptoms have improved.



Close contacts *do not* need to stay home as long as they remain asymptomatic.





**THANK  
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DAY**

NOV 19 & 20

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### Get a sneak peek at ThankScriping Day bonuses

Check the mobile app, RaiseRight, on Wednesday, November 18.



The next Scrip order will be placed next Friday - 11/20 after this sale.

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The next order is expected to be placed next Friday (11/20).



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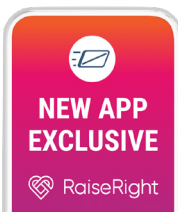
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