

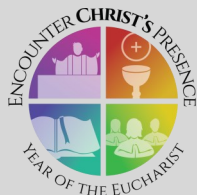


WEEKLY UPDATE

MONSIGNOR SLADE CATHOLIC SCHOOL
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Next week's calendar:

Monday, November 8, 2021:

- Charlie Brown rehearsal, 3:00-3:45 p.m., Auditorium (See the Google classroom for details)

Tuesday, November 9, 2021:

- Advancement Committee meeting, 6:30 p.m., Room 110

Thursday, November 11, 2021:

- Open House for Prospective Parents, 8:30-10:30 a.m.
- Advanced Band practice, 2:45-4:00 p.m.

Friday, November 12, 2021:

- Student Snack Sale

Important News & Notes:

Parent Cleaning Day, scheduled for tomorrow, November 6th, has been canceled. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. When it is re-scheduled, we will announce it in the weekly update.

Late Arrivals: We have noticed an increase in the number of students arriving late to school each morning. Please be reminded that there is no active adult supervision on the parking lot after 7:55 a.m. If you arrive at school after 7:55 a.m., please do not simply drive and drop off your child in the traffic lanes; but, for safety purposes, we ask that you please park your car and walk your child up to the carport entrance.

We also ask that you speak to your students about the importance of arriving on time for school each day. Students need to be punctual in order to allow them the time to prepare for the school day. Your child's tardiness not only affects his immediate preparation for the school day, but it is also disruptive for the entire class.

Happy Helpers for the Homeless: A huge 'thank you' to our 5th & 6th grade families for your generous 'bag a breakfast' donations to Happy Helpers for the Homeless. We are thrilled to have had 177 breakfasts to donate this month. Many thanks to Mrs. Rosa MacLean, Mr. Jim Vitalos, Mrs. Tracy Vitalos, and Mrs. Bethany Butters for volunteering to collect our 'Bag a Breakfast' donations this morning. In addition, many thanks to Mrs. JoAnn Brack who volunteered to deliver the donations to the Happy Helpers headquarters in Halethorpe. We really appreciate all your help!



Essay Contest Winners: Each year, our 7th and 8th grade students are given the opportunity to participate in the VFW's Patriot's Pen contest. The theme of this year's contest is "How Can I Be a Good American?" With over 60 entries this year, congratulations to our three school-level winners: Natalia Alarcon (\$100), Hayden Vess (\$75), and Kaitlyn Albanese (\$50). All submitted essays will be given to the VFW for judging at the Post level. Good luck to all students who entered the contest!

"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. All entries must be submitted on 12" X 18" paper; the Knights will be supplying us with this larger-sized paper to be distributed to all interested students. All entries will be due no later than November 23, 2021, prior to Thanksgiving break. As soon as we receive the contest rules and paper, we will distribute them to interested students. We hope for a lot of participation as the Knights enjoy seeing all the beautiful Christmas artwork and wonderful messages of Jesus' birth.



Super Slades Week of 11/08/21-11/12/21

Aurora Allen – Respect
Natalia Alarcon – Responsibility
Tommy Mihoces – Self-respect
Sophia Frank – Hard Work
Hunter Charron – Responsibility
Dakota Ryan – Responsibility

Important News & Notes (continued):

Spelling Bee: Each year our 7th-8th grade students participate in class spelling bees hoping to eventually represent Monsignor Slade at the Scripps National Spelling Bee. On Thursday, November 4th, eight participants vied for first place: Isibael Trimble, Tim Arthur, Miriam Toth-Fejel, Nikhil Halan, London Smith, Seneca Sunderland, Abby DelValle and Amanda Newell. Congratulations to London Smith and Abby DelValle who came in 1st and 2nd places respectively. London will now compete in the Anne Arundel County Spelling Bee to be held in late February. We wish her the best of luck!

Weis4Schools: MSCS is now part of the Weis4Schools Program. If you are a frequent WEIS shopper, join the program or recommend it to friends and family. Link our school to your Weis loyalty card using this code: **87898**. See flyer attached for further details.

Grade Level Reminders:

8th Grade Parents - If you intend to have your student apply to a Catholic high school, please don't forget to register your student for the December 1st HSPT which will be administered here at Slade. If applying for a Catholic high school in the Baltimore archdiocese, then students must be registered to take the HSPT at Slade; please do not select a high school as the place for your child to test. Please use the following link to access the registration portal:

<https://stsusers.com/stsusers/registration/static/baltimore.php>

Grades 6-8: The school store has a new bag in stock (optional) for students to carry books, pencil cases, and water bottles between classes. The bags are \$3 each.



From the School Nurse:



COVID-19 Vaccines for Ages 5-11 Updates:

October 29, 2021: Today, the U.S. Food and Drug Administration authorized the emergency use of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine for the prevention of COVID-19 to include children 5 through 11 years of age. The authorization was based on the FDA's thorough and transparent evaluation of the data that included input from independent advisory committee experts who overwhelmingly voted in favor of making the vaccine available to children in this age group.

- Key points for parents and caregivers:
 - Effectiveness: Immune responses of children 5 through 11 years of age were comparable to those of individuals 16 through 25 years of age. In addition, the vaccine was found to be 90.7% effective in preventing COVID-19 in children 5 through 11.
 - Safety: The vaccine's safety was studied in approximately 3,100 children age 5 through 11 who received the vaccine and no serious side effects have been detected in the ongoing study.

November 2, 2021: Today, CDC Director Rochelle P. Walensky, M.D., M.P.H., endorsed the CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices' (ACIP) recommendation that children 5 to 11 years old be vaccinated against COVID-19 with the Pfizer-BioNTech pediatric vaccine.

COVID-19 vaccinations are not required for students to attend school.

From the School Nurse (continued):

Anne Arundel County Public School Clinics

The Anne Arundel Department of Health and Anne Arundel County Public Schools are teaming up to offer COVID-19 vaccination clinics for children ages 5 to 11 at 24 elementary schools across the county by appointment only. Vaccine clinics will be held week-day evenings and on Saturdays in locations that provide equitable access to families throughout the county and to complement the Department of Health's existing clinic sites.

- All vaccinations will be available free of charge at clinics. Children do not have to be AACPS students to be registered for these clinics. Locations are open to anyone and do not have to be a child's home school.
- <https://www.aacps.org/vaccines>

Anne Arundel County Department of Health Standing Clinics

The Anne Arundel County Department of Health will be offering 5-11 year old COVID vaccines at all vaccine locations by appointment only.

- <https://www.aacounty.org/covidvax/>

Many pediatricians and pharmacies in the county are also offering the 5-11 COVID vaccine. Please reach out to your child's pediatrician to see if they have the 5-11 COVID vaccine.

Advancement Announcements:

Fall Open House will be held on November 11, 2021. Please share the attached flyer. Prospective families are asked to register online in order to attend and will be limited to two attendees.

Save the Date! Giving Tuesday will take place on November 30, 2021. This movement of global generosity greatly benefits Monsignor Slade Catholic School. We hope to include you in our supporter roll!

2022-2023 Applications are now open! Remember to recommend Monsignor Slade to prospective families. If your student's name or a parent's name is included on an application and the prospective student is accepted and enrolled for a year, current families can receive a \$500 credit toward their tuition the following year.

Tell your Slade story! In a short video (1 minute or less), feature Slade students, families, or alumni. Mrs. Hilmer kindly requests .mp4 or .mov format. Inspiration and instructions are available via [slideshow](#). For specific questions or to discuss technical difficulties when sharing your files, please contact Mrs. Hilmer, c.hilmer@msladeschool.com or 410-766-7130

Seeking Parish Liaisons between our school and the following parishes:

- Our Lady of the Chesapeake
- St. Bernadette
- Christ the King Catholic Church

Liaisons would share information regarding MSCS with the parish and parish groups, and share news from those parishes with the school community in order to develop mutually beneficial communication and relationships focused on our mission and the Catholic faith. Please email c.hilmer@msladeschool.com, if interested.

Advancement Announcements (continued):

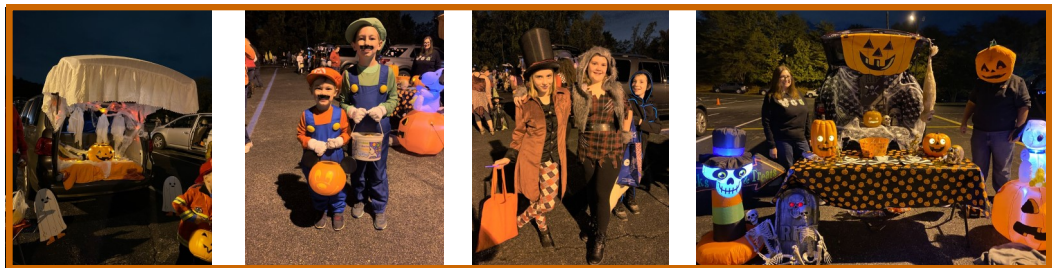


November Photo Challenge! Send your submissions to c.hilmer@msladeschool.com. We cannot wait to see what you share!

HASA Happenings:

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Charleston Wrap fundraiser! This first HASA fundraiser of the year was a big success! If you are still interested in purchasing any last-minute gift-wrapping supplies, holiday entertainment foods and treats, or other novelty gift items, the school portal at Charleston is still open. Our school will get credit for any items purchased through December 3rd. To order, please use organization ID #20455 and the following link: registercw.com.

Thank you so much to Mrs. Rosa MacLean for organizing our first annual Trunk or Treat event, held last Saturday, October 30th. We'd also like to extend a hearty 'thank you' to those families who were able to set up trunks and/or amazing displays for all of the trick-or-treaters to enjoy. It was truly amazing! Look for this event to be on the calendar again next year. It was a tremendous success and a good time was had by all who attended. Thanks again to everyone who participated!



Spirit Night at Bubba's 33: Save the date!! The next HASA Spirit Night will be held on November 17th at Bubba's 33, 7305 Ritchie Highway, Glen Burnie. Check out their menu at bubbas33.com. See the flyer attached for further details.

Christmas at Slade: Due to COVID restrictions, we will not be able to host the annual Christmas at Slade/Breakfast with Santa event this year. However, we are hoping to offer the ever-popular "Christmas Basket Raffle," but we need your help! We are looking for a few individuals who would be interested in chairing/co-chairing this event. Earn service hours and have fun creating and displaying the baskets for raffle. Look for more information in the coming weeks about this exciting raffle of Christmas splendor!! **If you are interested in chairing or co-chairing this event, please email Mrs. Kathie Sullivan at k.sullivan@msladeschool.com.**



HASA Happenings (continued):

Merry Mondays! The Home and School Association is proud to sponsor “Merry Mondays” during the month of December. For only \$5 per child, your child(ren) can come to school out-of-uniform on December 6th, 13th, and 20th. Each week, there will be a different Christmas theme, where students will be allowed to wear Christmas items to school, such as an ugly Christmas sweater, their favorite holiday hat, or light-up necklaces or ties, and other fun ideas. Further details regarding payment and approved themes will be announced soon! All proceeds from these ‘holiday fun’ Mondays will be used to purchase needed items for Happy Helpers for the Homeless. **If you are interested in earning service hours by chairing and/or serving on the committee to help shop/put together the special gift boxes for Happy Helpers, please email Mrs. Kathie Sullivan at k.sullivan@msladeschool.com.**



Sports Section:

Need Volunteer Hours???

The Athletic Council needs to fill the Lacrosse Commissioner position this year! Without a Commissioner we will not be able to offer the program this Spring. We also need to fill the Field Hockey Commissioner and the Athletic Council President for next school year. All interested parties please email SladeACpresident@gmail.com for more info.

Terrapin Times:



Poppy is starting to enjoy spending time on her basking platform. Because she is a cold-blooded animal and cannot control her body temperature internally, she needs to spend time on the platform soaking in the warmth of her heating lamp. This helps to promote healthy immune and digestive systems.



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 a disciple of Christ.



Dear Parents and Students,

I am excited to tell you about a special tradition we have here at Monsignor Slade Catholic School during Christmastime. Once again, we will be able to participate in sending toys to Apopka, Florida, for “The Christmas Store.” This service project has been supported enthusiastically by students, parents and teachers alike for close to 40 years! This year, our Apopka Service Project will begin on Monday, November 1st, and conclude on Wednesday, December 1st.

Apopka is a migrant farm-worker community located just outside Disney World in Orlando, Florida. The farm-workers of Apopka work hard picking crops but are only paid a minimum wage, and struggle to raise their families and provide for daily needs. In an effort to help the workers, the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur developed, “The Christmas Store,” a place where donated, new toys are sold for a nominal price. Since the farm-workers are very proud and prefer to buy toys for their children rather than receive charity, they can freely select a gift for their child like we do, and can leave the shop with dignity. All proceeds are turned back to the community to fund educational programs, such as literacy and pesticide training.

If you would like to participate, purchase one or more new toys with your child, such as good arts & crafts kits, “pretend” jewelry and make-up kits, educational games and books, bicycles, skateboards, scooters, tricycles, helmets, dolls of all colors, cars and trucks (especially medium/large vehicles), board games, and sports balls of all kinds. They can also use diapers, toys, clothing and blankets for infants and toddlers as well as new socks, pajamas and underwear for boys and girls. Allowing your child to help select the toy, and if possible, pay for part of it, will make the project more meaningful to your child.

We are very fortunate to have a great relationship with Southwest Airlines, who has generously agreed each year to provide air transport to Florida. Our student council members will pack up the toys on Thursday, December 2nd, and Southwest will come to pick up and then transport the toys to Apopka, Florida, on Friday, December 3rd.

Our efforts in Apopka are greatly appreciated and are truly making a difference in the community. Thank you for your help and support!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Alexa L. Cox
Principal





Building
a Weis Future!

weis4school

Dear Parents,

Educational technology and funding changes daily. To keep up with these changes and expenses, our school is partnering with Weis Markets in the Weis 4 School program. By participating in this program, we can earn money for our school simply by shopping as we all do every day. When you shop at Weis, scan the barcode below to register your Weis Club Card. Once you register, you're in the program and you do not need to register again. Please share this barcode with your friends and relatives so they can earn points for our school too.

Thank you for supporting our school with much needed funding!

Our school's code



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JOIN US!
OPEN HOUSE

NOVEMBER 11, 2021
8:30 - 10:30 AM
RSVP REQUIRED.

Serving Pre-K2-8th Grades, our school guides students to academic excellence while encouraging them to know, love, and be disciples of Christ.

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Jen H., earns for hockey

Help Monsignor Slade raise funds, earn money toward next year's tuition bill, and make your holiday gift-giving easier! Simply order gift cards from Scrip through Monsignor Slade Catholic School. If you have questions about the Scrip program, contact Jonathan at MSCS.Scrips@gmail.com.



Join us Wednesday November 17th to support



10% of all food sales from participating tables or carry out orders who announce they are here for the fundraiser will benefit the school.

Fundraiser will run from 11AM-10PM

