

WEEKLY UPDATE

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Important News & Notes:

COVID Symptom Reporting: Parents, if your child is displaying symptoms and you know that he/she will not be attending school the next day, please email <u>COVID19@msladeschool.com</u> as soon as possible so that we are able to notify the parents of close contacts in as timely a manner as possible.

In the event that your child is identified as a close contact sometime within the school day, you will receive a phone call and a follow-up email. However, if we receive notification from families after hours that a child is displaying symptoms, and we determine that your child is a close contact, then you will only receive an email. Therefore, it is important that families check emails prior to coming to school each day.

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

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

Family Information Forms: Earlier this week, forms were sent home to verify the family data we have on file here at school. We want to ensure that your contact information is correct before publishing our annual parent directory. Please respond in writing (for in-person learners) or by email (remote learners) with any changes or corrections. If there are no changes, simply sign the bottom of the form and return it to school by next Thursday, November 12th. Remote learners can simply email Mrs. Datz that there are no changes necessary at <u>r.datz@msladeschool.com</u>.

Remote Learners changing to In-person Learners: Parents of those students who were remote learners in the first trimester, who are switching to in-person instruction for the second trimester and will need extended care, should contact Mrs. Debbie Gielner at <u>d.gielner@msladeschool.com</u> immediately to ensure there is space in the program for your child. Due to COVID restrictions, spaces for extended care are extremely limited at this time.

Winter Uniform Reminders: Please be reminded that our students switched to wearing winter uniforms on Monday, November 2nd. Students should no longer be wearing the khaki shorts or skort, which are both part of the summer uniform option. In addition, on gym day, students are required to wear the full gym uniform, including sweatpants and sweatshirt, as stated on page 45 of the Parent & Student Handbook.

Virtual Apopka Toy Drive: For over 35 years, MSCS has sent toys to Apopka, Florida, for "The Christmas Store." Over the years, we have donated countless truckloads of new toys to assist in this worthy project. Unfortunately, our participation in "Apopka" this year will be a little different. Because of COVID restrictions, we cannot collect items within the school building; therefore, we will participate in a "Virtual Toy Drive" for Christmas 2020. Our Apopka Service Project will begin on Monday, November 9th, and conclude on Wednesday, December 2nd.



Be a Light for All to See Matthew 5:16



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Important News & Notes (continued):

For those who may not know, Apopka is a working-poor and migrant farm-worker community located in central Florida, just outside Disney World in Orlando. The farmworkers of Apopka work long, hard days picking crops; but they are only paid a minimum wage, and struggle to raise their families and provide for their daily needs. In an effort to help the workers, the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur developed the Hope CommUnity Center, which has provided desperately-needed services and programs to these workers for many years. One of the most appreciated services provided by the sisters is "The Christmas Store," a place where donated, new toys are sold for a nominal price. Since the farm-workers are very proud, they would prefer to buy toys for their children rather than to receive them through charity; therefore, they can freely select a gift for their child as we do, and can leave the shop with dignity. All proceeds are turned back to the community to fund special programs and educational opportunities.

The best way to participate in helping 'The Christmas Store' this year is by sending in a monetary donation to the school. We will combine all cash contributions into one check 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 this community will appreciate anything that we are able to offer. The sisters have also set up a wish list through Amazon, although the list is rather vague. If you would like to purchase a new item or toy to send directly to Apopka, simply click on the following link: <u>https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3508WQG1DBR40?ref =wl_share</u>. 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.) Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest: Students in grades K-8 will 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: Monsignor Slade is partnering with SchoolStore.come to raise funds for our school. This fundraiser is 100% online, so there is no selling or handling money or products. Plus, your child can earn prizes by participating!

On Monday, November 9th, your child will bring home an envelope with details about SchoolStore and how to participate. This information includes details about how your child can win prizes. Please note: Each child must register separately to be eligible for prizes. All students that participate will win 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 give them out as soon as the earbuds arrive.



Important News & Notes (continued):



Happy Helpers for the Homeless: Thank you to our 5th & 6th grade families for your generous 'bag a breakfast' donations to Happy Helpers for the Homeless. In addition, thanks to those families who donated canned goods to add to our monthly efforts. Your generosity is much appreciated and we are sure that the volunteers at Happy Helpers will be thrilled. A special thank you to Mrs. Rosa MacLean and Mrs. Susan Pippin for volunteering to collect our 'Bag a Breakfast' donations this morning. We are happy to have had 113 breakfasts and several bags of canned goods to donate this month. Extra thanks to Mrs Pippin, who came back later in the morning to take the donations to the Happy Helpers headquarters in Halethorpe. We really appreciate all your help!

From the School Nurse:



Service

Travel reminders:

- Please email <u>covid19@msladeschool.com</u> to disclose any travel plans, including the dates you are traveling.
- If the state positivity rate rises above 10% at any point during your travel period, your child must get a COVID-19 PCR test upon return to Maryland and receive a negative result in order to return to school.
- Please use the following link to track positivity rates during your out-of-state travel:
 - <u>https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/testing/tracker/overview</u>

Thank you for your continued compliance and cooperation with safety protocols as we navigate through the days here at school. Please make sure to report your child's symptoms as soon as possible to <u>covid19@msladeschool.com</u>.

Advancement Announcements:

Virtual Open House on November 11! Please let interested friends, family, and neighbors know that Monsignor Slade Catholic School will be holding a virtual open house on November 11 from 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. Participants must register via the Monsignor Slade website to receive meeting credentials.

Interest Poll: The Advancement Committee is pricing yard signs celebrating the Slade Community and drawing attention to our school for the upcoming recruitment season. <u>Please complete this Google poll to indicate if you would like to display a sign at your home.</u> You may also share the poll with grandparents or godparents who may enjoy supporting the school.

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 <u>slideshow</u> or the flyer shared. For specific questions or to discuss technical difficulties when sharing your files, please contact Mrs. Hilmer, <u>c.hilmer@msladeschool.com</u> or 410-766-7130

Office Depot GivesBack 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.

GIVEBACK to schools

Simply make a purchase of qualifying products, provide our school ID at checkout & we'll receive 5% back in credits for FREE supplies.

Learn More

Advancement Announcements (continued):

Seeking Parish Liaisons for:

- Christ the King
- Our Lady of the Chesapeake

Liaisons would be asked to share information regarding the MSCS with the parish and parish groups, and also share news from those parishes with the school community so that we can develop mutually beneficial communication and relationships focused on our mission and the Catholic faith. Please email <u>c.hilmer@msladeschool.com</u> if interested.

November Photo Challenge!

Submit your photos to Mrs. Hilmer via social media or by emailing her at c.hilmer@msladeschool.com

PHOTO CHALLENGE 1. A living saint in your life 2. Celebrate our Veterans 3. Fall style for cooler weathe 4. What makes you grateful? 5. Your feast! Fall foods 6. Favorite book 7. Thanksgiving! 8. Winter uniform

Sports Section:

Winter Sports Update: The AOB restrictions are still in place for all winter sports and extracurricular activities which means Slade will not be offering basketball and cheerleading this year.

The Athletic Council is still looking for a Lacrosse Co-Commissioner for this year and someone to serve as the Athletic Council Secretary for the 2021-2022 school year. All interested parties please email <u>sladeacpresident@gmail.com</u> for more information on how to apply.



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.

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST

****Please complete first section and sign, then attach this form to the back of child's poster****

ENTRY FORM

I wish to enter THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS POSTER CONTEST in the age division (as of Nov. 1st) checked below. I realize that my entry becomes property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council Office.

AGE 5-7 DIVISION (GRADE K-2) COUNCIL NUMBER	GRADE) DIVISION 3-5)	AGE 11-14 DIVISION (GRADE 6-8)
Name of Entrant		Date	of Birth
Street Address			
City	State/Province		Postal Code
Telephone (Circle one: Home Cell) En	nail	Signature of Entrant	
This Section To Be Complete	d By Parent/Guardia	ពេ:	Council No
POSTER CONTEST. In consideration of such r any of its subordinate units and their officers, men all of the above mentioned from any and all claims	egistration and participation, the u nbers, agents and employees, blame and expenses resulting from or rela of the Knights of Columbus	undersigned hereby agree to h less and without liability, and ting to Entrant's said particip	COLUMBUS "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" hold the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council and hereby agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless hation. The Entrant may compete in only one council- h retains exclusive rights to use said entries

Parent/Guardian

Date signed

This Section To Be Completed Knights of Columbus Officials:

SCORING INSTRUCTIONS: A 100-point scoring system is used to determine winners. Information on Rules and Judging are on other side of this form.

Competition Level	Slogan – 30 points	Artistic Merit – 30 points	Overall Impact – 40 points
Council Total:			
District/Regional Total:			
Jurisdictional Total:			
International Level Total:			



FAITH IN ACTION

Score Sheet

KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS Poster Judging Fact Sheet

RULES

Poster must reflect the theme of KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS.

Each poster should be the original work (including concept, layout, slogan and any visual images) of a single person.

Poster must be approximately 11x17 inches in size. If pastels, chalk or charcoal are used, the poster must be laminated or covered with clear plastic. Posters may be in color or black and white.

Each poster must be submitted with a Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest entry form. The name and age of the person entering the poster should be included on the back of the poster.

All entries become the property of the Knights of Columbus Supreme Council. Posters will not be returned.

JUDGING

Judging should be done by teams composed of students, Knights, teachers, administrators, Chaplin, Pastor, etc. In keeping with the theme of giving young people the opportunity to develop their own feeling towards Christmas and our savior Jesus Christ, it's important young people are included in all phases of the judging process.

A 100 point scoring system will be used to determine the winner.

30 Points: Slogan — How clearly is the theme presented?

30 Points: Visuals — How well do the visuals convey the message?

40 Points: Overall impact — How effective was the poster in capturing your attention and causing you to reflect on the topic?

Council's Contact Information Michael Davis - McGivney Council #7025

cell 410-218-5626

FAITH IN ACTION

Email a copy of this document to: fraternalmission@kofc.org (Councils should also retain a copy of this completed form for their files)

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FAMILY



Dear families,

You're invited to shop our Scholastic Book Fair online from **November 9 to November 22.** All purchases benefit our school and connect students with new books, favorite characters, complete series, and more.

You'll love the NEW option to shop for **Book Fair exclusives** directly from the interactive booklist and enjoy these special online shopping features:

- Over 6,000 items, including new releases, best sellers, and value packs
- All orders ship direct to home
- FREE shipping on book-only orders over \$25*
- All purchases support our school and earn 25% in rewards

Visit our Book Fair Homepage and click "Shop Now" to get started: https://www.scholastic.com/bf/mscs

You do not have to create an account to purchase; simply sign in as guest.

Happy reading, Mrs. Abrams

*Free standard shipping is available on book-only orders of \$25 or more, after all discounts are applied. Free standard shipping (books) must be selected during checkout. Orders containing products other than books are not eligible for this shipping promotion.

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Hello Parents!

This year we are partnering with SchoolStore to raise funds to help purchase the essential tools our students and teachers need to succeed.

Enclosed are two sheets for you to keep:

- Sheet 1: Details about SchoolStore and how to participate.
- Sheet 2: Details about how your child can win prizes.

After reviewing the enclosed information, please go to <u>www.schoolstore.net</u> to get signed up. Your child will receive a prize just for participating! (No purchase necessary).



SchoolStore provides you with the easiest and safest way for your school to fundraise and earn money! With SchoolStore, everything occurs online - including sending emails to family and friends and tracking prizes on the prize thermometer.



SSC/HUGGER/TEST

Monsignor Slade Catholic School Glen Burnie, MD School ID: 113871

Hello Parents,

This year we are partnering with SchoolStore.com to raise funds for essential tools our students and teachers need to succeed. SchoolStore's program is 100% online so there is no selling or handling of money or products. Your participation is easy with no more than 12 minutes of your time required, and there is a nice prize program available to make this a fun experience.

Here is all you need to do for our program to succeed.

- 1. Go to <u>www.schoolstore.net</u> and sign up using our school ID: **113871**
- 2. Send form emails inviting family, friends, and co-workers to support your student.
- 3. Return the parent envelope with the Student Prize Code completed below for your child to get their really fun participation prize.

Here are three ways your family, friends, and co-workers can help our school.

- 1. Make a 100% tax-deductible donation to your child's classroom with the purchase of a CaringForClassrooms.org gift card for your child's teacher to use for classroom supplies and equipment.
- 2. Renew or purchase magazine subscriptions, DVD's, cookbooks and more. We earn up to 50% of their purchase.
- 3. Shop online with over 400 major merchants like Walmart, Kohl's, Best Buy, Disney, and more. We earn a small percentage of their purchase.

With a few minutes of your time, SchoolStore is the easiest and safest way for our teachers and school to earn money for materials to enhance your child's education.

Thank you so very much for your participation.

Monsignor Slade Catholic School

As a reward for helping, there are <u>2 easy ways</u> to win prizes:

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to register and begin helping your child's school today!

November 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4 HASA Exec Board 5:30 p.m.	5	6 'Bag a Breakfast' for Happy Helpers for the Homeless Gr. 5 & 6	7
8	9 Virtual Apopka Toy Drive begins	10 Advancement Meeting 6:30 p.m.	11 Virtual Open House for Prospective Parents 8:30-10:30 a.m. (<i>Remind your friends &</i> <i>neighbors to register!</i>)	12	13 Out-of-uniform day for Gift Wrap Sale	14
15	16	17	18 Athletic Council 6:00 p.m.	19	20 Tuition Assistance Out-of-uniform Day \$2 per student	21
22	23	24 Half-day for Students Dismissal 12:15 p.m.	25 Trimester 1 ends	26 Thanksgiving Holidays SCHOOL CLOSED	27	28
29	30 Trimester 2 begins					