

WEEKLY UPDATE

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Be a Light for All to See Matthew 5:16

Important News & Notes:

Mode of Learning Commitment: Earlier this week, parents of students in grades Pre-K4-8 received the T3 Mode of Learning Commitment form via email. We have already received responses for 338 students, so thank you, parents! Your quick responses allow us to adequately plan for classroom spacing needs.

Please remember that once a student is committed to remote learning for the trimester, he/she must remain a remote learner throughout the trimester. In-person students can always go remote; however, once that change occurs, it is in effect throughout the remainder of the trimester.

Should you choose in-person learning for your student(s), it is expected that your child will attend school each day. In-person learners should only remain home if they are ill or quarantined. If this is the case, please remember to contact Nurse Lydon at absences@msladeschool.com or covid19@msladeschool.com. We have found that when inperson learners' attendance is not regular, disparities are created which make it difficult for both teachers and students to ensure consistent learning and progress.

If you have already filled out the form, there is no need to respond again. If you have not yet filled out the form, please do so as soon as possible by using the following link: https://forms.gle/TVYhdKqhQZuJHq1e8

COVID Vaccines: We have received various inquiries from concerned parents regarding the availability of COVID vaccinations for our faculty and staff. We want to assure you that, as the State of Maryland moved into Phase 1B of the vaccination roll-out, many faculty and staff members have been able to secure vaccinations thus far. Other faculty members are still in the process of securing appointments; however, our school nurse, Joscelyn Lydon, R.N., has been proactive and extremely helpful in providing our team with the lat-

est site information for sign-up of available appointments in the area. We hope to have all faculty and staff vaccinated as quickly as possible, and we thank you for your concern.

OPERATION MATO GROSSO - Food Drive for Lent, February 17 - March 31 Monsignor Slade Catholic School is partnering once again with a Peruvian school named Lord of Polallucay, which is the only Catholic school in Yungay, Peru. During Lent, we would like to continue our mission work and collect food items to benefit those in need with our sister school in Peru. The food collected will be used at the mission school, and also at soup kitchens, local hospitals, and others in need in the town of Yungay, Peru. See flyer attached for further information.

Happy Helpers for the Homeless: Thank you to our 1st and 2nd grade families for your generous 'bag a breakfast' donations to Happy Helpers for the Homeless. Your generosity is much appreciated. Many thanks to Mrs. Susan Pippin and Mrs. Rosa MacLean, who volunteered to collect our 'Bag a Breakfast' donations this morning. Mrs. Pippin was kind enough to then deliver the donations to the Happy Helpers headquarters in Halethorpe later in the day. We are very happy to have had 126 breakfasts to donate this month!! Again, thanks so much to everyone who was involved. We really appreciate your participation in this worthy cause!

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Important News & Notes (continued):

Pets in the Parking Lot: We are requesting that you please leave your pets at home when dropping off or picking up your children. Some children may become frightened upon seeing the animals or they may have pet-related allergies. Therefore, if you do bring your pet with you, they must remain in your vehicle. Thank you for your cooperation!

Grade Level Reminders:

Grades 5 and 8: On February 16th, all 5th and 8th grade students will be taking the ACRE (Assessment of Child/Youth Religious Education) standardized test. This test is administered across all Archdiocesan schools each year. As with any standardized test, please have your child get a good night's rest the night before and a healthy breakfast on the morning of the test. February 18th is the snow date.

Advancement Announcements:

Important Event Update!

CANCELLED: Virtual Pre-K & Kindergarten Information Night for prospective families has been cancelled. Waiting lists are already forming for six of seven featured classes. Event registrants will be offered an opportunity to meet with admissions staff 1:1 either virtually or via phone. Interested families are still welcome to apply, but will likely be waitlisted unless enrollment restrictions prompted by COVID are relaxed.

Virtual Middle School Information Night for prospective families is still planned for **April 29, 2021,** at 6:30 p.m.

Enrollment:

Re-registration for the 2021-2022 academic year has ended. Current students who have not re-registered will be assessed a late re-registration fee of \$100 per student. These fees will be applied to the student's enrollment agreement for the 2021-2022 academic year.

Enrollment agreements for the 2021-2022 academic year will be sent in March. Please complete enrollment agreements for your student(s) once you have received them.

Share the good news about Slade!

Write a positive review on our Facebook page, Google, GreatSchools, Niche, Private School Review, etc. Send a printed copy (whether screenshot or print-out) to Mrs. Hilmer with your name and student's name included. Reviews which can be confirmed will be entered into a gift card drawing. Five winners will be chosen. Questions? Contact Carrie Hilmer, Advancement Director, at c.hilmer@msladeschool.com



February Photo Challenge

Seeking some February fun? Join this month's photo challenge! Submit photos via email or social media depicting an element of the photo challenge listed here.

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Sports Section:

Sports Section: The Athletic Council needs your help to fill two positions for the 2021-2022 school year: Lacrosse Commissioner and Council Secretary. This is a perfect opportunity to be trained by the current incumbent. All interested parties please email sladeacpresident@gmail.com for more information on how to apply. Voting for both positions will take place in March.

Lacrosse Commissioner

The Duties of the Commissioner:

- Administer all aspects of the sports program to ensure its effective and efficient management while adhering to the Slade Athletic Policy, Slade Values Code, Archdiocesan policy, and school policy.
- Provide for consistency in operation among the individual lacrosse teams where applicable.
- Participate in Athletic Council meetings.
- Cast a vote as an active member of the Council.
- Manage all aspects of the Sports program budget, including the submission of annual budgets to the school administration.
- While in season, prepare and submit monthly reports regarding the Sports program to the Athletic Council.
- Conduct program scheduling and fields.

Secretary

Serves a three-year term starting 2021-2022 school year.

The Duties of the Council Secretary:

- Attend and keep an accurate account of the minutes for all council meetings.
- Distribute meeting minutes to council members prior to the next meeting for review and approval at the next scheduled meeting.
- Maintain a file of all incoming and outgoing communications and records to and from the Council.
- Provide advance notification of all members of the Council for both special and regular meetings.
- Maintain and keep the current text of the bylaws.





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.

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DURING THIS LENT, PLEASE KEEP IN MIND PEOPLE IN NEED.

We will collect 6 staple food items:

PASTA	Pre-K2, Pre-K3, Pre-K4 & Kdg.
SUGAR	Grades 1 & 2
FLOUR	Grades 3 & 4
RICE	Grades 5 & 6
CANNED VEGGIES	Grades 7 & 8
COOKING OIL	Grades 7 & 8

The food collected will be used at the mission school, local soup kitchens and hospitals, as well as others in need in the town of Yungay, Peru.

Operation Mato Grosso's objective is to fill an entire shipping container of food to send to Peru sometime after Easter.