



Next week's calendar:

Monday, February 21, 2022:

- Presidents' Day, SCHOOL CLOSED
- Aladdin rehearsal, 11 a.m. —3 p.m., Auditorium

Tuesday, February 22, 2022:

- 2-22-22 Tuesday special accessories day
- Aladdin Rehearsal, 2:50-4:00 p.m., Auditorium

Friday, February 25, 2022:

• Tuition Assistance out-ofuniform day, \$2 per student



Super Slades Week of 2/21/22-2/25/22

Amelia Smith – Tolerance Collin Bozek – Hard Work Evelyn Thurston – Hard Work Noah Trice – Hard Work Chinemerem Ukachi - Cooperation Thomas Caridi – Hard Work

WEEKLY UPDATE

MONSIGNOR SLADE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Important News & Notes:

February Mass: The whole school gathered in the auditorium for our first Mass together in over two years. The students sat with their buddies as Father Austin gave a wonderful Homily focusing on integrity, which resonated with students and faculty alike.



February 18, 2022

Yearbook Purchase: Parents, if you are interested in purchasing a yearbook for your child, please complete the form by using the following link: https://forms.gle/49LxUUvF6CzFxhgG8

The cost of the yearbook is \$25.00 and will be charged to your FACTS account in April. **Please be reminded that eighth grade students do not need to order a year-book.** The cost of the yearbook is included in their graduation fees.

Two, two-two, two-two Tuesday! As a special treat for this unique day (2-22-22), students may come to school wearing the following accessories with their school uniform: Tutus, ties or mismatched tennis shoes.



Volunteer Hours Needed? If you know how to weld and have the equipment to do so, please contact Lauren Williams, Athletic Council President, at sladeacpresident@gmail.com. A repair is needed for a CONEX on 5th Avenue.

Paul's Place Winter Project: Slade is partnering with Paul's Place on Ward Street in Baltimore City for our winter service project. They are in desperate need of NEW Men's and Women's underwear, undershirts, and socks in all adult sizes, as well as gently used blankets/comforters. This service project will continue through the month of February. Thank you in advance for helping us live out our mission to serve others.

Grade Level Reminders:

Middle School students: See flier attached for details on a NYC field trip for performing arts students. Limited seats available, so be sure to sign up now!

From the School Nurse:

COVID-19 Updates (as of 2/11/22)

Masking:

- Masking will now be a parental choice.
- It is the parents' responsibility to speak with their child about continuously masking throughout the school day if they want their child to be masked.
- School staff and school administrators will not be responsible for enforcing masking.
- Students exhibiting COVID-like symptoms will be required to put on a mask upon arrival to the health room.
- With the removal of the masking mandate for Monsignor Slade, it is to be

From the School Nurse (continued):

expected that students will contract other illnesses that are prevalent in the winter months such as strep throat, influenza, RSV, etc. These illnesses also present with the same symptoms as COVID-19. It is recommended that if your child becomes ill, you should consult your doctor regarding testing in addition to COVID -19 testing.

COVID-19 Protocols:

- Protocols concerning symptomatic children and family members have NOT changed.
- Please continue to monitor your child(ren) each day for ANY ONE of the following:
 - Fever or chills
 - Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Fatigue
 - Muscle or body aches
 - Headache
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - Sore throat
 - Congestion or runny nose
 - Nausea or vomiting
 - Diarrhea

If your child has any of the previously listed symptoms, please keep them home and alert the health room by phone at 410-766-7130 OR by email at <u>covid19@msladeschool.com</u>.

- Students exhibiting ANY of the previously listed symptoms will be sent home from school.
- Students exhibiting ANY of the previously listed symptoms are required to get an alternative diagnosis from a physician (strep, flu, RSV, ear infection, etc.) OR a negative COVID-19 PCR test.
- We do not accept home test results unless they are positive. If your child is experiencing symptoms and you received a negative result on a home test, they must seek outside PCR testing or an alternative diagnosis.
- If a family member has any of the symptoms on the list, please keep your child home (if they are unvaccinated) until you receive a negative COVID test or alternative diagnosis for the family member. If the student is vaccinated, they are able to remain in school but must be masked.

Close Contact Information

- Due to parental choice masking, schools will not be performing in-school contact tracing beginning 2/14/22. Parents will still be notified of positive cases in the grade level, but will not be notified of any close contact designation.
- If an individual is exposed to COVID-19 and is identified as a close contact by the health department or other health officials, they must remain masked in school for the remainder of their quarantine period.
- Unvaccinated individuals who are identified as close contacts will be required to quarantine for 5 days with the eligibility to return on day 6 (if asymptomatic). They must remain consistently masked at school for days 6-10.
- Vaccinated individuals are not required to quarantine if they are identified as a close contact. However, they must remain consistently masked in school for 10 full days.

From the School Nurse (continued):

• Again, it is the parent's responsibility to speak with their child about consistent masking if their child meets the criteria of a close contact. School staff and administrators will not be responsible for enforcing masking.

COVID-19 Positive Information

• Students or staff who test positive for COVID-19 will be required to isolate at home for 5 full days and can return if asymptomatic on day 6. However, they must continue to mask on days 6-10.

Questions?

Please contact <u>covid19@msladeschool.com</u>.

Advancement Announcements:

Enrollment

Enrollment agreements for the 2022-2023 academic year will be sent on **March 1**, **2022**. Please complete the agreement for your student(s) once you have received it. Families cannot move forward to activate their 2022-2023 FACTS account until **all** agreements for **all** students in the family have been completed. All other checklist items or updated enrollment materials should be submitted as the coming school year nears. 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 2022-2023 academic year.

Refer New Students to Slade!

Spirit of Slade Referral Program: Current families can earn \$500.00 toward future tuition payments for each family referred to Monsignor Slade Catholic School. Tuition credits will be applied after the referred student(s) has/have been enrolled for a year. Instruct applicants to put your current student's name or family name on any application submitted.

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 can either earn ½ service hour for the reviewing family or entry into a gift card drawing. Five winners will be chosen before Easter Break. 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 to <u>c.hilmer@msladeschool.com</u> or social media depicting an element of the photo challenge listed to your right.



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Sports Section:

Kindergarten to 2nd grade Girls Lacrosse Registration Open! Want to play lacrosse but missed the registration deadline? Registration has been reopened for girls in grades K-2 to add additional players to our Sticklettes team. Interested players should register by Monday, February 28th. Sign up today! https://monsignor-slade.sportssignup.com/site





Slade Soccer: Slade will be having a soccer program this Spring! **Registration is open now** until March 13th with practice beginning the week of March 21st.

Here's the link to sign up today: <u>https://monsignor-slade.sportssignup.com/site</u>

NOTE Please select the "Pay with Check" option until it is confirmed we have enough participation to run the program since this is our first year offering soccer in the spring.

Need Volunteer Hours???

The Athletic Council needs to fill the following positions: Field Hockey Commissioner, Basketball Co-Commissioner and the Athletic Council President for next school year. All interested parties please email SladeACpresident@gmail.com for more info.

Terrapin Times:

Look at how Poppy has grown since October!





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 Monsignor Slade Catholic School,

Thank you for your help in serving the needy communities in our area. Please find below a list of the most-needed items this winter.

Items needed:

New underwear - Men and Women sizes: S-M-L New Undershirts - Men and Women sizes: S-M-L New Socks - Adult Men and Women Long Johns - new or gently used - Men and Women sizes: S-M-L Blankets/Comforters - new or gently used Hand Warmers are always needed

Find out more about our organization on our website: <u>https://paulsplaceoutreach.org/</u>

Our Mission is to be a catalyst and leader for change, improving the quality of life in the Southwest Baltimore communities. Paul's Place provides programs, services, and support that strengthen individuals and families, fostering hope, personal dignity and growth.

Paul's Place has been a steadfast source of support for residents of the Southwest Baltimore communities going on 38 years – starting as a two-day-a-week soup kitchen and becoming a one-stop destination with a wide array of resources for hundreds of individuals every day. Paul's Place now offers more than 20 programs to help guests along a path to self-sufficiency.

Last year there were...





Performing Arts Students to New York City to see a Broadway Show!!

Check out: Broadway.com for more information about the show.

WHAT: *Mrs. Doubtfire* at the Sondheim Theater in NYC (2:00 pm Matinee)

WHO: Any MSCS middle school student who is involved in a performing arts ensemble-band, Showchoir, Murder Mystery cast, or the Spring Musical cast or crew.

WHERE: NYC Theater District- chaperones & students will grab a bite to eat and/or see the sights of the theater district

WHEN: April 13, 2022

HOW: Huber's Charter Bus

Depart: MSCS lot at 6:00 am (**arrive at MSCS parking lot by 5:30 am*) **Return:** MSCS between 9:30-10:00 pm

COST: \$115 per attendee (this includes transportation and show ticket)

Things to keep in mind:

- All students will need to wear their school uniform on the trip.
- There will be **no student cell phone** use permitted.
- Everyone will be assigned to a chaperone and MUST stay with that chaperone for the entirety of the trip.
- Students with excessive absences, failing grades, or 2 or more behavior status within the school year will not be allowed on the field trip.
- All attendees must be fully vaccinated and provide us with vaccination cards prior to the trip. This is a theater requirement as well as a requirement of many establishments in NYC.

This trip is **limited to 50 attendees,** so it will be on a first-come, first-served basis.

The first 50 Google forms that meet all requirements will be the 50 people that are given the seats on the bus. We will contact you to let you know who will be going on the trip. **The link to the Google form is** <u>https://forms.gle/hGDQmUYWKYuYbRSF6</u>. It will open for access on 2/18/22 at 6:00 pm.