



# WEEKLY UPDATE

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Be a Light for All to See  
Matthew 5:16



## Important News & Notes:

**Living Stations of the Cross:** Congratulations and many thanks to our 7th & 8th grade students and to Mrs. Abbott and Mrs. Oleszczuk for the wonderful job they did in creating and presenting the Living Stations of the Cross for our students and faculty on Tuesday, March 30th. Using a scavenger hunt style event, clues led participants to fourteen interactive stations recreating Jesus' last day on Earth as a man. Each station incorporated an audio feature, student-created visual displays, as well as a few "take-aways" so that the children would have a reminder of their journey. It was a deeply meaningful experience!



**Thank you** to the Rinius Family who made a sizable donation to our faculty and staff in appreciation for all the work the school has done in the past year to keep the kids SAFE and in school. The money will go to our end-of-year faculty and staff luncheon.



**Chess Wizards is an at-home online Chess Enrichment Program** for students in grades K - 6 who are interested in learning the game of Chess. The program uses an interactive, question-based curriculum design and is similar to a comedy sketch to get the students excited and participate in their own learning process.. The instructors, who dress like Chess Wizards, lead many exciting activities such as team games, puzzles, challenges, and tournaments, which are designed to make the learning experience both challenging and fun. Please see the attached flyer for specifics and to sign up.

## Calendar Reminders:

### Monday, 4/12/21:

- Classes resume

### Tuesday, 4/13/21:

- Virtual Advancement Committee meeting, 6:30 p.m.

### Wednesday, 4/14/21:

- Slade Night at Italia's Corner Cafe, 4-9 p.m.; Virtual HASA Executive meeting, 6 p.m.

### In addition, please note:

The next weekly update will be sent home on April 16th.

## Grade Level Reminders:

**Grades 5 & 6:** This month, grades 5 & 6 are asked to bring in two "Bag a Breakfast" donations to aid the Happy Helpers for the Homeless. Breakfast donations will be collected on Friday, April 16th. The students will be given two extra-large brown lunch bags on Wednesday, April 14th, to aid in preparing their breakfast donations. To "Bag a Breakfast," you will need one of each of the following:

1. Small box of cereal or packet of oatmeal w/cup & spoon
2. Pop Tart, Nutrigrain Bar or granola bar
3. Applesauce cup, fruit cup, or box of raisins
4. Hot chocolate pack w/cup & spoon
5. Juice box
6. Napkin

Please note: If remote learners in grades 5 & 6 would like to participate in the "Bag a Breakfast" effort for April, simply prepare a couple of breakfasts in brown lunch bags and drop them off at the carport on Friday morning. There will be volunteers present to collect the bagged breakfasts. All breakfast bag donations should be dropped off with your child on Friday morning by 8:30 a.m.

## Grade Level Reminders (continued):

**7th Grade Pre-HSPT Test:** Please mark your calendars as all Archdiocesan elementary schools will administer the pre-HSPT to all 7th graders on Tuesday, May 4th. This is a new initiative aimed at preparing rising 8th grade students for the fall 2021 HSPT administration. All in-person and remote learners will be taking this practice test on campus beginning at 8:30 a.m. In-person learners will take it within their cohort classrooms. Remote students will be taking the test in the auditorium and are asked to arrive in uniform between 8:00-8:15 a.m. in order to be temperature checked and have time to settle in prior to the start of the test. The test will last approximately three hours. More information will follow as the date draws nearer.

**8th Grade Graduation Forms:** Parents, if you have not responded to either of the surveys listed below, please be sure to add your graduate's information today. In order to be prepared for graduation, we need this information as soon as possible. If you have already responded, we thank you for your cooperation and support.

Please use the following link to provide information about high school acceptances, what high school your child will be attending, and any scholarships or special honors offered to your 8th grade student:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1sAcTyWoDziTI0NufGu0Dmbm0ZnMnVZd-cbjTOSG2k3E/edit>

Please use the following link to provide information as to how you would like your 8th grader's name to appear on his/her diploma:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1OP6L-0\\_RU-EH07p3oXVDpTj6JrVNALgt8wtz-X45Xpw/edit?ts=604f9e1f&gxids=7628](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1OP6L-0_RU-EH07p3oXVDpTj6JrVNALgt8wtz-X45Xpw/edit?ts=604f9e1f&gxids=7628)

## Advancement Announcements:

**Apply for a BOOST scholarship today!**  
[marylandboost.org](http://marylandboost.org)



This scholarship through the Maryland BOOST Scholarship Coalition is available to families who fall within the income requirements for free and/or reduced lunch. All students who would be considered eligible, whether transferring from public school, currently attending a private school or Monsignor Slade, are able to apply. The deadline for submission of complete applications is 11:59 p.m. on April 30, 2021.

### Enrollment:

Monsignor Slade Catholic School is maintaining waiting lists for **Pre-K2, Pre-K3, Pre-K4, Kindergarten, 2nd, and 7th and 8th grades**. Prospective families seeking enrollment in 1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th or 6th grades are welcome to apply.

### Middle School Information Night

This virtual event will take place on April 29, 2021. Remember to refer friends and neighbors interested in 6th grade; there are still a few remaining seats! (Currently, we have waiting lists for 7th and 8th grade.) Families will need to RSVP for the event in advance in order to receive credentials to attend the virtual event.

**2021-2022 Enrollment Agreements** have been sent out. If you did not receive your enrollment agreement, please contact Mrs. Carrie Hilmer, [c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com](mailto:c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com) or call 410-766-7130.

## Advancement Announcements (continued):

### You have the power to positively impact Monsignor Slade in 2021!

Mark your calendars! From April 8-15, 2021, Monsignor Slade Catholic School will be requesting your participation in the 2021 Annual Fund. If you have not yet supported our annual fund, which began July 1, 2020, we hope to count you among our participating families during this special 'spring forward' event!

**Photos of students whose families have participated in the annual fund will be featured in our spring showcase display.** Once your gift is received, a spring flower will be sent home; please return it to Mrs. Hilmer if you'd like to include a message of support for our school or why you give in the showcase display. Any gift, no matter the amount, will make a difference and help us toward our 100% participation goal. Please use the following link to donate: [bit.ly/SupportSlade](http://bit.ly/SupportSlade).

## HASA Happenings:

**HASA General Meeting & Elections:** Each year, the Home and School Association has a general meeting in the spring to elect officers to our HASA Executive Board. Although we cannot conduct a general meeting in the school, we will still conduct the elections virtually, which are scheduled for April 21st. Attached you will find some general information about the Home and School Association and the duties of elected officers. Also included is a nomination form. If you are interested in becoming a member of the HASA Executive Board, please review the attached material and submit your nomination form as soon as possible. We look forward to working with you!

## Sports Section:

The Athletic Council needs your help to fill two positions for the 2021-2022 school year. We need to fill the 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](mailto:sladeacpresident@gmail.com) for more information on how to apply.

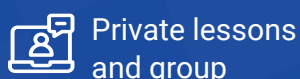


### Mission Statement

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.

# Chess Class Has Moved Online!

Same exciting curriculum, now available online



Private lessons  
and group



Tactics, strategies,  
and puzzles



Safe and secure



**SIGN UP TODAY!**

## Sample Class Structure

### 15 minutes before class:

Login, homework review

🕒 10 Min

### 1 hour class:

Concept of the day

🕒 10 Min

Reinforcing puzzles

🕒 10 Min

Game play, with instructor review

🕒 20 Min

Variation games and fun activities

🕒 15 Min

Assign and explain homework

🕒 5 Min

## 1 Hour 64 Squares

## Infinite Possibilities

Themed classes and group classes (up to 6 children) are just a few examples of the amazing experiences our online classes have to offer!

Not sure what level to sign up for?

Here is the Chess Skill Level **PLACEMENT TEST**

All skill levels will run at the same dates and time. Kindergartners will sign up to the kindergarten class. Grades 1-6 will sign up for their appropriate classes



## Chess Wizards Online

**Grades:** 1st - 6th + K-Only

**Instructor:** 1:6 maximum

**Student Ratio**

**Tech** Computer or tablet,

**Requirements:** Microphone and Internet

**Skill Levels:** Kindergarten, Brand New, Beginning Wizard, Intermediate Wizard, Strong Intermediate

## Class Information

**School:** Monsignor Slade Catholic School

**Dates:** 04/22, 04/29, 05/06, 05/13, 05/20, 05/27

**No Class on:** N/A

**Class Day and Time:** Thursdays at 4:00-5:00PM EST

**Total # of Classes:** 6

**Price:** \$78



Classes available Monday - Saturday!

**Sign Up Today!**

**Call Us:**

1-866-949-4386


**Register here:**

chesswizards.com

**Mail Us:**

office@chesswizards.com

# April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Living Stations of the Cross	2 <i>Good Friday</i> SCHOOL CLOSED	3
4 <i>Easter</i> 	5	6	7	8	9	10
Easter Vacation SCHOOL CLOSED						
11	12 Classes resume	13 Virtual Advancement Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m.	14 Slade Night at Italia's Corner Café 4-9 p.m.  Virtual HASA Exec. Board Mtg. 6:00 p.m.	15	16	17
18	19	20	21 Virtual HASA Executive Board Elections 6:30 p.m.	22 Race for Slade	23 Tuition Assistance Out-of-uniform Day \$2 per student	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	
SCANTRON TESTING—Grades 2-8						
				Virtual Middle School Information Night 6:30 p.m.		