

Monsignor Slade Catholic School

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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of Monsignor Slade Catholic School is to promote Catholic faith and intellectual development in our students. We do this by teaching about and modeling the precepts of the Catholic faith, as well as challenging our students with a rigorous course of study. We do this so that they will use their faith, knowledge, and skills to shape their futures positively and work for the benefit of the whole society.

Weekly Update

April 8, 2016

Upcoming Events:

- Monday, 4/11/16
 - Standardized Testing begins for Grades 3-8
 - Slade & Spalding Joint Band Concert at Archbishop Spalding High School, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, 4/12/16
 - Standardized Testing, Gr. 3-8
- Wednesday, 4/13/16
 - Standardized Testing, Gr. 3-8
 - 8th Grade Dinner Dance Decorating Committee, Room 110, 6:15-7:15 p.m.
 - Athletic Council, Room 110, 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, 4/14/16
 - Standardized Testing, Gr. 3-8
 - Grandparents' Day for Pre-K2 & Pre-K4
 - M.A.D. Committee Meeting, Room 110, 6:30-8:30 p.m.
- Friday, 4/15/16
 - Standardized Testing, Gr. 3-8
 - Grandparents' Day for Pre-K3
 - HALF-DAY, Dismissal 12:15 p.m.
 - Skate Night at Wheels in Odenton, 5:45-7:45 p.m.
- Saturday, 4/16/16
 - Slade Family Color Run at MSCS, 8:30 a.m.
- Sunday, 4/17/16
 - Instrumental Music Festival at Seton-Keough High School, 12-5 p.m.

Accolades and Achievements:

- **Super Slade winners** for the week of April 4th:
 - Savannah Beall – cooperation
 - Jack Plowman – hard work
 - Megan Stephen – hard work

Important News and Notes:

- **Standardized Testing Reminders:** As always, when students are preparing to take standardized tests, they need a good night's sleep and a good, hearty breakfast each morning. For more tips on how to make standardized testing less stressful for your student, please read the School Counselor Page attached.
- The **Spring Book Fair** is coming to Monsignor Slade Catholic School, April 11-15. Come visit us in the Multi-Purpose Room! All purchases at the book fair benefit our library, as well as our classrooms. Start your shopping early online at our Scholastic website: <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/monsignorsldecathschl>.

H.A.S.A. Happenings:

- **Manhattan After Dark** – Reminder that **Friday, April 15, is the deadline** for selling or purchasing four tickets to earn an out-of-uniform pass for each child in your family.

To work the event, please visit SignUp Genius at: <http://tinyurl.com/mad2016volunteers>

Please talk up **Manhattan After Dark** to friends/family/neighbors! It is a wonderful event and a big fundraiser for Slade!

- **Scrip Gift Cards** – Believe it or not, the end of the school year is just around the corner. Only a couple times are left to order actual gift cards before the summer comes. During the summer, you can always order ScripNow! cards (sent to your email) or reload any physical cards you have. Any cards that need to be shipped and received in person, though, must be ordered before June 1st. That means only 4 more times to order physical cards. April 15th, May 1st, May 15th and June 1st. Plan ahead and get your orders in. You can use the order form attached or order online. Please turn in the order form with check payment by April 15th!
- Please join us **Wednesday, April 20th at 6:30 p.m. for our HASA General Meeting** featuring a symposium on "Raising Diverse Learners," presented by Dr Duane Isava. We will also be holding our election for HASA's Executive Board, and discussing future events. Wine and cheese will be served. Any students whose parents attend the meeting will receive an out-of-uniform day.

Attachments included:

- Manhattan After Dark Ticket Order Form
- April Scrip Order Form
- HASA General Meeting Guest Speaker Info – *Raising Diverse Learners*
- School Counselor Page – Standardized Tests
- REVISED April Menu and Calendar

Knowledge will bring you the opportunity to make a difference.

~Claire Fagan

Manhattan After Dark Ticket Purchase Order

Saturday, April 23, 2016

Manhattan Tickets: \$30 per person for MAD Event 6:30 p.m. – 1:00 a.m.

Alumni/Guest Tickets: \$30 per person - includes Happy Hour 5:30 – 7:30 p.m.

To purchase tickets, please complete items 1-6.

1. _____ Total number of regular and alumni tickets needed
2. _____ Total amount enclosed (\$30 per ticket; checks payable to "MSCS")
3. _____ Select if ticket purchase made through PayPal and submit receipt
To purchase via PayPal, send a request to mad.tickets.2016@gmail.com.
You will receive instructions on how to make an on-line payment.

4. For Alumni Happy-Hour, print name and graduation year, or select "Guest" or "Faculty."

Name: _____ Slade Year: _____ Guest: _____ Faculty: _____
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Name: _____ Slade Year: _____ Guest: _____ Faculty: _____
Name: _____ Slade Year: _____ Guest: _____ Faculty: _____

5. Each family selling (or purchasing) four or more tickets on or before April 15th earns an out-of-uniform pass for all children. Please list students' names and homeroom or homeroom teacher.

Name of Student _____ Homeroom _____
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6. How would you like to receive these tickets?

_____ Kid-Mail (to which child listed above): _____
_____ "Will Call" under the name of _____

Reminder: Friday, April 8th is the deadline for program ads/sponsorships & silent auction donations. For more information, please e-mail: mad.tickets.2016@gmail.com.



ShopWithScrip
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MSCS Scrip Order Form

In the hopes of helping families take advantage of the Scrip program at Monsignor Slade, we are offering a paper form this month. This form only lists a selected few stores available in the Scrip program. More stores are available at www.shopwithscrip.com.

Please fill out the form and return both the form and check to MSCS **by April 15th** for orders to be processed in April. Checks made out to MSCS.

Name:	Email:	
Oldest/Only:	Zip:	Homeroom:

Merchant	Available Denominations	Quantity/ Denomination	Subtotal
Amazon.com	\$25, \$100		
Chili's Bar and Grill	\$25, \$50		
Dennis Uniform	\$20		
Dick's Sporting Goods	\$25, \$100		
Domino's	\$10		
Dunkin' Donuts	\$10, \$25		
GameStop	\$25		
Giant Foods	\$25, \$50, \$100		
iTunes	\$15, \$25		
Outback Steakhouse	\$25, \$50		
Panera Bread	\$10, \$25		
Pizza Hut	\$10		
Safeway	\$25, \$100		
ShopRite	\$25, \$100		
Starbucks	\$10, \$25		
SUBWAY	\$10, \$50		
Target	\$25, \$50, \$100		
Toys"R"Us	\$20, \$200		
Wal-Mart	\$25, \$100, \$250		
Order Total:		#:	\$

As always, 50% of the rebate goes to the school and 50% towards next year's tuition for your child. Information on how to sign-up with Scrips is located on the Slade website under the HASA tab. Copy this link to see the directions: http://www.msladeschool.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/10/HASA_Webpage_ScripUpdate_Oct2015.pdf

Please contact Jennifer Smith with questions: jksmith28@hotmail.com

Monsignor Slade Catholic School

The Home and School Association proudly presents a symposium on:

- What is executive function as it relates to student learning and peer relations;
- Identifying each student's strengths and needs as emerging learners and independent thinkers;
- Specific strategies and approaches to enhance student learning acquisition and social interactions.

PRESENTERS

Halcyon Wellness Center

Dr. Duane M. Isava

Dr. Bradley S. Beam

Wine and Cheese served

Wednesday April 20

6:30 - 8:00 PM

For inquiries, please contact Martha Sidlowski at sidlow@verizon.net

Raising Diverse Learners



SCHOOL COUNSELOR PAGE – April 2016

Standardized Tests

Our school provides standardized testing every year for children in grades 3 through 8. I thought that some parents might like some information about this topic.

Standardized tests measure what a student knows or how well he or she learns, compared to other students of the same age and grade level across the nation. The same questions, rules and time limits are used for all students taking the test at each grade level.

Most children who take tests feel some nervousness or anxiety. Some view tests as threats. Therefore, parents need to know a few tips which will help their child feel better about taking tests, especially standardized tests. Provide opportunity for your child to talk about their feelings about tests. Have them draw pictures or write stories about how they feel about tests. Expressing their feelings in advanced with allow them to know it is safe and acceptable to talk about feelings and express them appropriately.

Parents can help their children prepare for standardized tests by making sure their children are well rested and that they eat breakfast on each test day. Children should also have two sharpened number 2 lead pencils with erasers. Tell your child to fill in the circle for the answer neatly and avoid getting stuck on any one question. It is better to go onto the next question and come back to difficult questions. It is OK to make a best educational guess if your child really is not sure. Remind your child to listen carefully to the teacher before the test begins and take a few deep breaths to relax. A little prayer to Jesus, the Holy Trinity or the Blessed Mother may help your child focus and relax also.

Before the week of the tests, make it clear to your child that one test cannot decide your child's future and that a single test cannot measure all your child's knowledge or skills. A low test score today can't predict what your child will do next year. Remind your child, that your love and acceptance of your child do not depend on test scores.

It is very important that you talk to your child about the test so they understand that the main reason for the test is to follow their learning progress. Not all the questions on the test match what our school system teaches. This is very normal because the tests are based on educational standards across the United States. Almost everyone will be able to answer some questions. Hardly anyone will be able to answer some questions. There may also be questions that no one will get right.

Some children get upset every time someone mentions the word "test". Other children may get upset, feel sick or tired the day of the test or be stressed because of family problems or other reasons. All of these factors will affect a child's concentration and may affect test scores. Therefore one might conclude that a standardized test does not measure how creative or hard-working a child may be or how well a child performs under non-stressful situations.





The test results will point out your child's strengths and weaknesses. Some skills come more naturally to a student, and children can build on these. Parents can use the test results to see what areas need more work. The test results can help the school plan educational programs which will benefit the students. Children can improve test-taking skills by reading, by listening to directions and following directions every day at home and at school. This year we are again using the Stanford. The tests are grade based and should give a clear picture of how your child is achieving in several academic areas compared to other students in his/her grade nationally.

If your child continually gets upset about tests, contact your child's pediatrician or contact Mrs. Wyrwas, the school counselor, for information on test anxiety, at h.wyrwas@mrladeschool.com.

April 2016

Monsignor Slade Lunch Menu

Tommy's Food Service "Great Food for Great kids"

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
				1 School Closed
4 Chicken Nuggets, French fries, carrots	5 Spaghetti, w/Marinara Sauce, meatballs and side salad	6 BBQ wing and breast, mashed potatoes, green beans and gravy	7 Pancakes, french toast, sausage, tater tots, Baked cinnamon apples	8 Pizza Day 
11 Cheeseburgers, homemade mac and cheese, broccoli	12 Rotini w/marinara sauce, meatballs, Side Salad	13 Corn dog, homemade mac and cheese, green beans	14 Pizza Day 	15 Half Day School Closed
18 Cheese ravioli, w/marinara sauce, meatballs and side salad	19 Chicken nuggets, french fries, carrots	20 Cheesesteak subs, french fries and sliced cucumbers	21 Pancakes, french toast, sausage, tater tots, baked cinnamon apples	22 Pizza Day 
25 Rotini w/marinara sauce, meatballs, side salad	26 Tacos, Spanish Rice and corn	27 Chicken nuggets, french fries, carrots	28 Corn dog, homemade mac and cheese, green beans	29 Pizza Day 

Combo lunch is \$4.00. It includes the entrée, choice of milk or juice. Hotdog or Grilled cheese combo is \$4.00 and it includes sandwich, sides (i.e. veggie, starch) and milk or juice. Available daily: variety of subs, hotdog, grilled cheese sandwich, homemade soup, soft pretzels and freshly baked cookies daily. We also have ice cream on Tuesday & Friday (on Pizza day). We do not deep fry any food. Prices and menu may change without notice.

A LA CARTE PRICE LIST ONLY
Not available daily

Hotdog	\$2.50	Beverage:	Chicken Patty Sandwich	\$3.00
Grilled Cheese	\$2.50	Milk or juice	Chicken tenders (3pcs)	\$2.50
Turkey & Cheese Sub	\$3.00	Bottled water	Chicken wings (4pcs)	\$3.00
Ham & Cheese Sub	\$3.00	Gatorade	Cheeseburger	\$3.50
Homemade Soup:	\$1.75	Cookies	Corndog	\$2.50
chicken noodle		Potato Chips (1oz)	Philly cheesesteak	\$3.00
tomato		Sun Chips (1.5oz)	Pizza (1 slice)	\$2.00
cheesy potato		Pretzel	Soft beef taco (1)	\$1.00
Assorted Salad:	\$3.50	Fresh Fruit	Mac N Cheese	\$2.50
Greek, Chicken, Tuna, or Egg		Yogurt (Yoplait 4oz)	Ravioli (7 pcs)	\$3.00
Sides:		Cinnamon bun		
French Fries or Tater tots	\$2.50			
Rice or Mashed potato	\$2.50			
Buttered noodles	\$2.50			
Veggie	\$1.00			

Please E-mail us at lunch@mssladeschool.com for any inquiries. Visit our website www.tommysfoodservice.com for more information.

Thank you, Tommy and Linda

April 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Easter Vacation SCHOOL CLOSED	2 HASA Sports Cards & Collectibles Show
3 BINGO Knights of Columbus Doors open at 12:30 p.m. Early Bird at 1:00 p.m. Games begin at 1:30 p.m.	4 Classes resume <i>(Celebrate Opening Day! Students may wear baseball team shirt over uniform.)</i>	5	6 Grandparents' Day Grades K & 1	7 Grandparents' Day Grades 2 & 3 M.A.D. Comm. Mtg. 6:30 p.m.	8 In-school Mass	9
10	11 Slade & Spalding Joint Band Concert 7 p.m. at ASHS	12	13	14	15 HALF-DAY Dismissal 12:15 p.m. Grandparents' Day for Pre-K3 Skate Night at Wheels in Odenton 5:45-7:45 p.m.	16 Slade Family COLOR Run
	Stanford 10 Standardized Testing Grades 3-8					
17 Instrumental Music Festival at Seton-Keough High School for Concert & Symphonic Bands BINGO Knights of Columbus Games begin at 1:30 p.m.	18	19 Band Rehearsal Concert—7 p.m. Symphonic—8 p.m. Auditorium	20 All-day Band & Chorus Taping HASA General Meeting & Elections 6:30 p.m.	21	22 Earth Day	23 Manhattan After Dark
24 Parent Cleaning Day 12:00—4:00 p.m.	25	26	27	28	29 Roadrunner Race for Slade	30