

WEEKLY UPDATE

MONSIGNOR SLADE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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Next week's calendar:

Tuesday, September 14, 2021:

- Online registration for HSPT opens
- Advancement Committee meeting, 6:30 p.m., Room 110

Wednesday, September 15, 2021:

- HALF-DAY, Dismissal 12:15 p.m.
- Band demos, Gr. 4-8
- Athletic Council, 6 p.m., Room

Friday, September 17, 2021:

• Student Council Rep elections

MARDI GRAS, MASKS, MURDER!

Parent Volunteers needed for our

Performing Arts fundraiser, a Murder Mystery Dinner Party. Find out how you can help and get some service hours. All are welcomed! Thursday, September 16th at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria.

Important News & Notes:

Many thanks to all our families for the tremendous turn-out of canned goods and non-perishable foods for our annual 9/11 Worldwide Freedom Harvest! Happy Helpers for the Homeless and the local Maryland food bank will be thrilled to see such a large donation from our school. When we deliver the boxes of canned



goods on Monday, the food bank will weigh the donation, so stay tuned next week to find out how many pounds of food we collected. Thanks again for your generosity!!

Morning Drop-off Update: We are continuing to monitor morning drop-off in order to determine what procedures need refinement. Because middle school students are required to be in the building no later than 7:43 a.m., as they begin class at 7:45 a.m., we are asking that drivers of students other than middle schoolers consider delaying arrival by 7-10 minutes. It has been noted that by 7:40 a.m. traffic is free flowing and intermittent.

Pre-K4-1st grade parents should have a visible sign in their vehicles if using Lane 3, the concierge lane.

Supervised drop-off continues until 7:55 a.m. each day. If you arrive after that time, you may pull up in front of the carport area to drop your child off. Please note: our 4th grade cone setters will be out on the lot beginning at 7:56 a.m. to remove cones and set them up for recesses, so please continue to adhere to the posted speed limit signs for their protection.

Safety Shout-Out! Thank you to all of our 4th grade cone setters, 5th grade morning helpers, and our middle school safety patrols. They have been doing an amazing job on the parking lot during both morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up with the safe direction of students and drivers. Keep up the great work!

Scantron Performance Assessment: Students in grades 2-8 will be taking the Scantron Performance Assessment over the next three weeks (September 13-October 1). Please ensure that students arrive on time so that they are able to settle in before the tests begin. The testing schedule is attached. As has been done in the past, all results will be sent home on the last day of school.

Family Income Data Survey: Collecting family income data is a requirement of MSDE, and we must do so annually. The Archdiocese of Baltimore will again be using a Google form survey to collect family income data for the 21-22 school year.

This safe and secure electronic income survey will automatically collect a family's data as they complete it. The information garnered is instrumental for the school to obtain grant monies and State textbook funding. The AOB has worked in conjunction with each county in the development of the survey, and it meets each county's reporting requirements.

<u>Please complete one survey per student.</u> Each one, due by October 1, 2021, takes approximately 2-4 minutes. The link to our survey is https://forms.gle/ Tt3SMfKbPGRrUuni7. We appreciate your attention to this very important matter! Page 2 Weekly Update

Important News and Notes (continued):

Individual Student Portraits: Students will have the opportunity to have individual portraits taken by Galeone Photographers on September 22nd & 23rd. Attached to this update, you will find a letter and an order form from the school photographer explaining how to purchase portraits of your child(ren).

Birthday Treats/Invitations: For the safety and comfort of our students, if you plan to recognize your child's birthday, we encourage you to do so with stickers, pencils, or erasers. If you choose to send in edible treats, please remember that all items must be nut free. Additionally, they need to be pre-packaged, individually wrapped, store-bought items.

Grade Level Reminders:

8th Grade High School Information Presentation - On Thursday, September 16, 2021, at 6:30 p.m., Mrs. Cox and Mrs. Slaton will meet with 8th grade parents to share information about the process of applying for high school. Currently, this in-person meeting will take place in the auditorium. In order to limit the number in attendance, please plan for only one parent to attend. All attendees must be masked.

8th Grade HSPT Prep Course: The Archdiocese of Baltimore will be offering an HSPT Prep Course. Information about the course can be found here: https://www.archbalt.org/schools/hspt-prep-course/, as well as in the attached flyer. Please be aware that registration is now open, and that the deadline to register is September 20th. This course is open to any current 8th grader enrolled in a Catholic, public, private, or homeschool. All are welcome!

Grades 6-8 High School Fairs: This fall, the AOB is offering both virtual and inperson fairs for middle school families who want to learn more about our Catholic high schools. The Virtual Fairs will take place on September 29, October 11, and November 2 from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Please visit https://www.archbalt.org/schools/our-schools/high-school-admissions/virtual-admissions/ to register for the event, and to receive access details. Additionally, flyers for our virtual fairs are attached to this message.

For families looking for **In-Person Fairs**, these will take place from 6:00pm-8:05pm according to the following schedule:

- 1. Monday, September 20: St. Mark in Catonsville
- 2. Tuesday, September 21: Resurrection-St. Paul in Ellicott City
- 3. Wednesday, September 22: Immaculate Conception in Towson
- 4. Thursday, September 23: St. Joseph Fullerton in Perry Hall
- 5. Monday, September 27: Cardinal Shehan in Baltimore
- 6. Tuesday, September 28: Monsignor Slade in Glen Burnie
- 7. Thursday, September 30: St. Margaret in Bel Air

The **Open Fair** is from 6:00pm-6:30pm, followed by three **Breakout Sessions**. Registration is not required, but masking is required of all participants. These fairs are open to students and families from any school who wish to attend.

Attention 3rd - 5th Grade Students: Just a reminder for students in grades 3-5 that auditions begin on Monday, September 20th, for *A Charlie Brown Christmas*. Please see the flyer attached for further details if your child is interested in participating. The flyer also lists an opportunity for parents to sign up to help with the production.



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From the School Nurse:



Revised COVID-19 Symptom List (updated 8/13/2021 by the Maryland Department of Health)

- COVID-19 Symptoms are any **ONE** of the following:
 - Fever of 100.4 or higher
 - Sore throat
 - Cough
 - Difficulty breathing
 - Diarrhea or vomiting
 - New onset of severe headache (especially with fever)
 - New loss of taste or smell
 - For people with chronic conditions such as asthma, the symptoms should represent a change from baseline.
- If your child has any one of the previously mentioned symptoms, they must get an alternative diagnosis from a physician OR get a negative COVID-19 test. The COVID-19 test can be a rapid test. Monsignor Slade Catholic School offers both rapid and PCR testing, at no additional cost, with signed parent permission.
- If another member of the household develops any one of the previously mentioned symptoms, the Slade student must stay home until the affected individual receives an alternative diagnosis or a negative-19 test.

Advancement Announcements:

Please follow us on social media! Monsignor Slade is active on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Linkedin. We hope to share the great news about Monsignor Slade with you this year.







Do you know any Monsignor Slade alumni who graduated during a year ending in two? We would like to feature them in the anniversary year of their graduation. Please share our alumni update link: msladeschool.com/alumni.



We need you, Slade parents! Seeking a few parents with interest in photography to assist in building a photo repository from events throughout the year. If you are interested in taking photos at Slade events from time to time, please contact Mrs. Hilmer. You can do so by emailing her with current contact information, and preferred availability, i.e. mornings, afternoons, evenings, weekends only, etc.

Even as we continue to mask and maintain a safe environment, Monsignor Slade students can shine on Monsignor Slade's website and social media feeds. Just participate in the September Photo Challenge.

The first Advancement Committee Meeting of the year will take place on September 14, 2021, join us! (Seeking a new committee chair and members (new parents and Spanish-speakers welcome).

Do you have experience in marketing, sales, fundraising, volunteer management or are simply committed to helping Monsignor Slade grow? The Advancement Committee

meets once a month. We need friend-raisers! For more information or to join, please **contact Mrs. Hilmer** in the Advancement Office at c.hilmer@msladeschool.com.

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Sports Section:

It's Basketball time again!! It's a new year with a new Commissioner, Tammy Dzambo!! Basketball registration will be opening in the next couple of days so be on the lookout. Please email sladebball@gmail.com ASAP if you are interested in being a Head Coach as there are training sessions coming up very soon.

Athletic Council Service Hours!!!

The Athletic Council needs your help to fill two positions for the 2021-2022 school year. We need to fill the Lacrosse and Field Hockey Commissioner positions. Get all of your service hours while running a sports program that you and your child love to play!!! Come be part of our Team!!

All interested parties please email sladeacpresident@gmail.com for more information on how to apply.



God of love we place in your loving arms the thousands of innocent lives that were lost on that unforgettable morning of September 11, 2001. We also remember the courage of the countless men and women who put their lives at risk in order to rescue, alleviate and bring solace to the afflicted. Help us to continue to work for a world free from every form of hatred, violence and ignorance. May terrorism -- in all its forms -- disappear from the face of the earth. Amen.

- Fr. Alberto Cutie



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.



Scantron Performance Series Schedule for Testing Fall 2021

Grade(s)	Date	Time	Test	
6-8	September 14, 2021	8:30-9:30 10:00-11:00	Math Reading	
6-8	September 16, 2021	8:30-9:30 10:00-11:00	ELA Science	
7 only	September 17, 2021	8:30-9:30	Social Studies**	

Grade(s)	Date	Time	Test	
3-5	September 20, 2021	8:30-9:30	Math	
3-5	September 21, 2021	8:30-9:30	Reading	
3-5	September 21, 2021	9:45-10:45	ELA	
3-5	September 22, 2021	8:30-9:30	Science	
3 & 5 only	September 23, 2021	8:30-9:30	Social Studies**	

Grade	Date	Time	Test	
2	September 27, 2021	8:30-9:30	Math	
2	September 28, 2021	8:30-9:30	Reading	
2	September 28, 2021	9:45-10:45	ELA	
2	September 29, 2021	8:30-9:30	Science	

^{**}Social Studies testing is for Grades 3, 5, and 7 only.**



ARCHDIOCESE OF BALTIMORE

HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT TEST (HSPT) PREP

CURRENT 8th GRADE STUDENTS ONLY

SEPTEMBER 28 - NOVEMBER 20 (8 WEEKS)

The Archdiocese of Baltimore High School Placement Test (HSPT) prep course is designed to prepare students to take the HSPT by equipping them with the knowledge, skills, and test-taking strategies needed to maximize their performance. The instructor-led, online course will be held once a week for one hour and will include four weeks of reading, language, and verbal prep and four weeks of math and quantitative prep. Students will have two instructors throughout the course; one that specializes in reading and language and the other with expertise in math. The HSPT prep course will be offered on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday evenings from 7 - 8 PM, as well as Saturday morning from 9 - 10 AM. Students participating in the course will attend one weekly session for eight weeks. Families will register for the day and time that fits with their schedule and will be assigned to a course section based on this preference. Students will be required to purchase Barron's HSPT prep book and will be expected to complete weekly enrichment assignments throughout the course.

Program Cost: \$85 per student **Registration:** September 6th - 20th

Information & Registration: https://www.archbalt.org/schools/hspt-prep-course/



Session #1: 5:05pm to 5:40pm **Session #2:** 5:45pm to 6:20pm **Session #3:** 6:25pm to 7:00pm

LOGIN INFORMATION:

https://bit.ly/AOBVirtualFairs



September 10, 2021

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Our student accident insurance vendor, Bollinger Specialty Group, has experienced on-going technical issues related to the on-line purchase/payment function. In order to complete your student accident insurance purchase, please complete the following steps to ensure coverage is purchased:

- 1. Print and complete the form on the last page of this <u>brochure</u>.
- 2. Email printed form to Melissa Mazzola Melissa_Mazzola@rpsins.com
- 3. Mail form along with check within 10 business days to:
 - o RPS Bollinger
 - o PO Box 1515
 - o Morristown, NJ 07962

Coverage commences upon receipt of emailed application with the stipulation that payment is received within 10 business days. Questions may be directed to Cathy O'Brien in the Office of Risk Management cathy.obrien@archbalt.org or (443)263-1950.

Thank you.

Simply the Right Way to Fundraise



The first order of the school year will be placed on Monday Sept 13.

Please get your orders in and help Monsignor Slade and your next year's tuition.

Please contact Jonathan with any questions at mscs.scrips@gmail.com.

The new RaiseRight™ mobile app makes fundraising easier

Shop gift cards from more than 750 top brands—right from your phone. Whether you're at home or at the store. Get started with on-the-go fundraising that creates opportunities for the people that matter most to you.

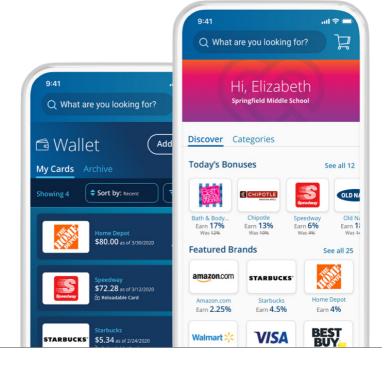
Narrow your search with categories that fit your everyday shopping needs

Discover new earning opportunities every day

Easily browse brands offering bonus earnings and know when they're about to expire

Add brands you love to your Favorites for faster shopping

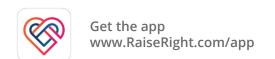
Manage your gift cards in one place: your Wallet





Already have a ShopWithScrip account? Pick up right where you left off.

- Use the same sign-in information
- Your gift cards and payment information automatically transfer to the app









ALL GRADES & LEVELS

MONDAY

3:00 - 4:00 PM

OCT 25 - JAN 24

No club meeting on school closure or early dismissal days

TUITION: \$182 FOR 11 WEEKS





MONSIGNOR SLADE CATHOLIC SCHOOL CHESS CLUB

Fun is the name of the game...

...but Silver Knights also sneaks in a bit of critical thinking, sportsmanship, and patience into chess club!

Our great coaches teach students of all levels using a curriculum designed by our team of National Masters. Each week students do a fun but challenging lesson followed by practice games against other students in the class.

Join the 100,000 (and counting!) kids who've learned chess with Silver Knights!

All equipment is provided.

To register, scan the QR Code or visit www.skchess.com

to find out more including financial aid information

Questions? Email: Info@skenrichment.com or call: 703.574.2070



"A Charlie Brown Christmas"

A production by Slade 3rd-5th graders Outdoor performances - December 11th, 12pm-3pm

Things to know before your child auditions:

- Everyone who auditions will get a role in our production.
- Our show will be performed outside on the MSCS field.
- Families will be asked to help find costume pieces for their children.
- You must be available with no conflicts each day until 4:30pm during the week of December 6th, as well as Saturday, December 11th, from 10-3:30pm.
- There will be no solo singing at the audition. You will be asked to read parts of the Charlie Brown script.
- There will be a panel of teachers that rate auditions and help make casting decisions.
- We will be in need of parent volunteers. If you are interested in helping out, please email Mrs. Abbott at <u>k.abbott@msladeschool.com</u>
- You must sign up for an audition slot on the Sign-Up Genius <u>here!</u>

admin@galeonephoto.com

Dear Monsignor Slade Families,

To make this process as simple as possible we are asking parents to print out the PDF file of the order form. If you do not have access to a printer, but would like to purchase photos please send in an envelope with the information below. All information must be on the outside of the envelope, having this information on the outside of the envelope will expedite the photo process.

Information needed if you do not have a printer and can't print an order form

- Student's name
- Mailing Address
- Homeroom teacher
- Grade
- Day time phone number
- Package you're purchasing
- Amount of money enclosed in envelope or online payment confirmation code.

All order forms must be visible to the photographer, please do not enclose them in a payment envelope. If you have any questions please call our Studio or email us.

Sincerely,
Galeone Photo Team

F. Paul Galeone Photographers

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Wednesday, September 22, 2021 PreK. Kindergarten, Middle School & Edu-Care Thursday, September 23, 2021 Grades 1-5 & Edu-Care

FOR ACCOUNTING PURPOSES. EACH STUDENT MUST HAVE SEPARATE ENVELOPE WITH HIS/HER OWN PAYMENT.

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