

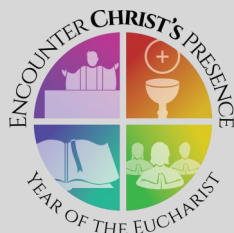


# WEEKLY UPDATE

MONSIGNOR SLADE CATHOLIC SCHOOL  
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## Next week's calendar:

### Monday, September 6, 2021

- SCHOOL CLOSED for Labor Day

### Tuesday, September 7, 2021

- In-school Mass

### Wednesday, September 8, 2021

- Virtual HASA Executive Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.
- Virtual Back-to-School Night for Grades 1-5, 6:30 p.m.

### Friday, September 10, 2021

- 9/11 Food Drive ends
- Student Council Officer Elections

## Important News & Notes:

**Reminder from Superintendent Dr. Hargens:** Once again, we are asking for the support and partnership of our parents and caregivers. We need you to actively monitor the health of your children and **all** household members, as well as anyone your child has had contact with. PLEASE do not expose members of the school community to a child who has been exposed to someone who is positive or is being tested for COVID, or who is exhibiting COVID-19, RSV, or Influenza symptoms. You have a critical role to play in preventing exposure and community spread by keeping your child home when sick or if they have been in contact with a family member or someone else who is currently sick.

We must continue to remain vigilant and disciplined to maintain the progress that has been made to stop the spread of COVID-19 and other RSV infections. Our ability to continue providing in-person instruction to your children depends on your cooperation. Thank you for your support and partnership!

**9/11 Food Drive:** Monsignor Slade Catholic School participates annually in the **Worldwide Freedom Harvest** food drive, which has been held for the past 20 years. This year, we kicked off the food drive with our Ice Cream Social on August 26th, and we will continue collecting canned goods and other non-perishable foods through September 10th. This worthy food drive benefits local soup kitchens, shelters, families, and individuals in the area. The culmination of our efforts always coincides with the anniversary of September 11, 2001, as a way to honor the victims and heroes of that life-altering event. Monsignor Slade Catholic School contributes to this food drive in partnership with Happy Helpers for the Homeless.

**Parking Lot - Arrival in the morning:** We hope you agree that our morning drop-off has improved since the first day of school. We appreciate your patience as we continue to refine our processes.

We have noticed that fewer parents are arriving before 7:20 a.m., which is most helpful in keeping a backup on Dorsey Road from forming. We understand that some families will arrive early as they need to be off the lot as soon as possible, but we encourage you to delay your arrival before 7:30 a.m. as much as possible to help decrease the chance for backups. For those families arriving in the parking lot as early as 7 a.m., please be reminded that there will not be adequate adult supervision in the parking lot until 7:30 a.m. Students will be directed to leave the car at such time as the faculty, staff, and student safeties have arrived at their respective posts in the morning. Students will be admitted into the building beginning at 7:30 a.m. Faculty, staff, and safeties must leave the parking lot at 7:55 a.m. in order to begin their day with students, so if you are arriving after that time, please be advised that you may need to assist your child to the carport area.

As a reminder, students in grades K-5 are to be at school no later than 8:00 a.m. Pre-K4 students should arrive by 8:15 a.m. Students in grades 6-8 will move to their first class at 7:45 a.m.; therefore, middle school students will be marked late beginning at 7:43 a.m.

**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.



## Important News and Notes (continued):

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.

**Please complete one survey per student.** 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!

**Masks:** We encourage families to review the information available through the CDC at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prevent-getting-sick/types-of-masks.html> as to the most effective masks to be worn. All masks should be in the solid school colors of black, white, yellow, hunter green, or red.

**Service Hours Program:** The Service Hours Program is a great way to become involved in your child's education. Each family with students enrolled in Pre-K4 (full-day) through 8th grade is required to give twelve (12) of service during the school year or pay an additional fee of \$300 by December 31, 2021. There are many different activities and/or events in which you may get involved. **Please refer to the attached Service Hours Explanation Sheet to review the different service options available through this program.**

To volunteer for events within the Service Hours Program, please use the following link to sign up: <https://forms.gle/i6RgKEc9eG49P56dA>. You will receive an acknowledgment from the Support Programs Coordinator of those events in which you have been enrolled. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Mrs. Kathie Sullivan, Support Programs Coordinator, at [k.sullivan@smladeschool.com](mailto:k.sullivan@smladeschool.com).

**Lunch and recess monitors needed:** Earn service hours while helping out during lunch and recess. We have three lunch/recess shifts: 11:00-12:00 (Grades 3-5), 11:30-12:15 (Grades 6-8), and 12:00-1:00 (Grades K-2). Volunteers need to be VIRTUS compliant. Please contact Mrs. Katie Sullivan, Support Programs Coordinator, at [k.sullivan@msladeschool.com](mailto:k.sullivan@msladeschool.com).

**Slade Band information:** The Instrumental Music Program will provide a band demonstration for students in grades 4-8 on Wednesday, September 15, 2021. At that time, any students who are interested in learning how to play an instrument and participating in the school band will be asked to fill out an interest form. Then, Mr. Wes Osment, our band director, will be in contact with parents of interested students to further discuss the program.

The Instrumental Music Program has been a standard in the Archdiocese of Baltimore for many years. As such, they have worked with the Department of Risk Management of the Archdiocese to develop acceptable protocol for delivering both safe band demonstrations and in-person band lessons. If you have any further questions about our band, please feel free to contact Mr. Osment at [sladeband@comcast.net](mailto:sladeband@comcast.net).

## 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

## From the School Nurse (continued):

- 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:

Log onto your SchoolAdmin portal to complete any remaining forms that must be on file for the 2021 - 2022 academic year. Visit [msladeschool.schooladminonline.com/portal](https://msladeschool.schooladminonline.com/portal).

- ◇ Student Accident Information
- ◇ Technology Acceptable Use/Media Release (*Your student will not appear in any photos shared or published by MSCS without a completed form!*)

**IMPORTANT!** Please add the following e-mail addresses to your safe senders list in order to ensure you receive all school-related emails: [in-fo+msladeschool@schooladminonline.com](mailto:info+msladeschool@schooladminonline.com) and [mscs@msladeschool.com](mailto:mscs@msladeschool.com).

Refer friends and neighbors to check out Monsignor Slade Catholic School! **Limited seats available in Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grades! You can easily earn \$500.00 off your tuition** by referring friends. If they apply, ensure your student or family name is on their applications. After the student is enrolled for one year, your family will receive a tuition credit. Referral credits cannot exceed full tuition expenses.

**Seeking Advancement Committee members:** Do you have experience in marketing, sales, fundraising, volunteer management, or are simply committed to helping Monsignor Slade grow? The Advancement Committee meets once every other month on Tuesday evening. In the intervening months, committees will work on projects and can arrange to meet virtually or in-person. New parents and Spanish-speaking parents are encouraged to join.

Mark your calendars! Scheduled meeting dates are:

- **September 14, 2021**
- **November 9, 2021**
- **January 11, 2022**
- **March 8, 2022**
- **May 10, 2022**

We need friend-raisers! If interested, please reach out to Mrs. Hilmer in the Advancement Office at [c.hilmer@msladeschool.com](mailto:c.hilmer@msladeschool.com).



### Mission Statement

Rooted in Catholic faith and committed to academic excellence, Monsignor Slade Catholic School is dedicated to forming the whole child

## **Explanation of the Service Hours Program for 2021-2022**

Each family with students enrolled in grades Pre-K4 (Full Day) - 8 will be responsible for completing its own hours. Participants must be 21 years of age or older. Any high school age child that assists for any school function will only be able to receive credit towards his/her high school community service hours. Service hours cannot be shared among families or friends.

Please note: It is your responsibility to sign in with the chairperson so that you receive proper credit for hours worked.

Only activities listed below, or approved by the Support Programs Coordinator in writing, will qualify for Service Hours Program credit. You will be notified through the weekly update of any additional events or opportunities to earn service hours as they become available. Excess hours cannot be carried over to the following school year.

**Advancement Committee** - Volunteers are needed with experience in areas such as marketing, advertising, publishing, communications, relationship-building, and/or grant-writing, to assist the Advancement Office in promoting and increasing the visibility of Monsignor Slade Catholic School. Requires attendance at monthly meetings and participation in sub-committees. Meeting and subcommittee work will involve after-school and/or weekend volunteer time.

**Baking for Events** - **Please note: As of September 1, 2021, it is uncertain as to whether or not COVID protocols will allow home-baked goods.** If you choose to bake for events, you will be notified of upcoming events and the type of baked goods needed. You must send in one cake, two dozen cupcakes or two dozen brownies, etc., to receive one hour of credit for each event. No credit will be given for store-bought items. A list of the baking events include: Christmas at Slade, three Grandparents' Days, Boo Family Bingo, as well as other possible events. If you are interested in baking to complete your service hours, please be sure to sign up for this committee. The Support Programs Coordinator will be in contact with you to supply a list of any approved baking opportunities throughout the school year.

**Classroom Aide/Volunteer**- You may work any day, Monday through Friday, in the kindergarten through 8th grade, as needed by a teacher. Please contact your child's homeroom teacher for further information as to dates, times, etc. Aides assist the teacher by working with individual students or small groups of students. Hours will be credited for services performed between 8:15 and 2:15 p.m. In order to receive proper credit for your service hours, you must indicate "Classroom Aide" and the homeroom number for which you are assisting when you sign in at the Front Office. Participants must be 21 years of age or older. All participants must be VIRTUS-compliant.

**Club Volunteer** - Parents volunteer to run or assist the club moderator in various capacities. All participants must be VIRTUS-compliant.

**Hospitality Committee** - This committee is typically structured with an overall chairperson who oversees several sub-committees. Each committee will be responsible for set-up, including making coffee and punch, serving and clean-up.

Committee #1 - ~~New Parents' Night; Open House~~ – *Hospitality not scheduled at this time due to COVID*

Committee #2 - October 6 and 7, 2021 - Muffins with Mom; February 23 and 24, 2022 - Donuts with Dad

Committee #3 - April 11, 12 & 13, 2022 - Grandparents' Days.

You will be scheduled by the Hospitality Committee Chairperson to work for these receptions and/or socials. All participants must be VIRTUS-compliant.

**Maintenance** - Assist our maintenance engineer with the grounds work, painting, hauling, and more. Weekday and weekend opportunities are available. If interested, you are responsible to contact our Facilities Manager at (410) 766-1598 and leave a message. Be sure to include your daytime phone number.

**Office Volunteer** – The school office needs volunteers who can do occasional clerical work. At-home volunteer work would include: making phone calls, stuffing envelopes, applying labels and postage to mailings, etc.

**Parent Cleaning Days** – Whenever parent cleaning days are scheduled, parents come to school to do some general cleaning and yard work. This event takes place from approximately 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Saturday mornings. You will receive one hour of credit for every hour worked.

Sports Programs - Sports hours are earned as follows: Offices: Athletic Council Officers - 12 hours; Sports Commissioners - 12 hours; Teams: Coach - 12 hours; Assistant Coach (up to two per team) - 10 hours; Event Monitor - 10 hours; Team Parent - 5 hours. Any questions may be directed to the Athletic Council members listed in the Handbook or on the Slade sports website—[www.sladesports.com](http://www.sladesports.com). All participants who are planning to volunteer in the sports program must be VIRTUS-compliant.

Uniform Exchange - Volunteers are needed to help sort and organize donated uniforms prior to the scheduled uniform exchange sale. During the event, volunteers help shoppers locate desired uniform items. The Uniform Exchange is held three times per year with volunteers expected to work from 2:00-6:30 p.m. All volunteers must be VIRTUS-compliant.

### **Home and School Association Activities**

For the following Home and School Association activities, the Service Hours Program will credit your account as follows: For every hour worked, you will receive one hour of credit, with the exception of those people who are appointed chairperson. The chairperson will receive a full 12 hours of credit for chairing these activities.

Sports Cards Shows: Help is needed to set up tables and chairs early in the morning, give general assistance during the day, and clean-up after the event. Please note: Hours for May & June shows will be applied to the 2022-2023 school year.

Race for Slade: This event takes place during the school day. Parents are needed to man checkpoint stations throughout the race. All participants must be VIRTUS-compliant.

Family Boo Bingo: This event requires people to assist as kitchen crew and/or floor workers during family bingo. All participants must be VIRTUS-compliant.

Christmas at Slade: This event requires organizing or working on the various committees, set-up, working the December event, and clean-up. All participants must be VIRTUS-compliant.

Bags & Bling Bingo: This event requires people to assist as kitchen crew and/or floor workers during adult bingo. All participants must be VIRTUS-compliant.

Flower Mart: This event requires people to assist with setting-up and selling of the plants to the children and parents during school hours. All participants must be VIRTUS-compliant.

# Mrs. Ogilvie's Dice Club



**What:** Dice club will be a time for students to learn new dice games!

**Who:** 3rd and 4th grade students

**When:** Second Tuesday of each month until 3:45pm. First meeting will be Tuesday, October 12.

**Where:** Room 208

**Why:** Dice games are fun!

Please know that this club will be limited to the first 18 students. Questions? Contact Mrs. Ogilvie at [k.ogilvie@msladeschool.com](mailto:k.ogilvie@msladeschool.com).



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Welcome to the 2021-22 school year. Let's make this a great one and earn money for Monsignor Slade and dollars off your tuition making purchases you already were planning on making. To enroll go to <https://shop.shopwithscrip.com/> and get started. Our enrollment code for this year is L1DBA58B28L12.

For questions please contact Jonathan at [mscs.scrips@gmail.com](mailto:mscs.scrips@gmail.com).

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# September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>9/11 Food Drive continues thru week→</div>	8/30 <b>Opening of School</b> Half-day for all students  Pre-K4 & Kdg. Last names A-L  Pre-K4 Half-day Dismissal 11:30 a.m.  Pre-K4 Full-day and Gr. K-8 Dismissal 12:15 p.m.	8/31 <b>Opening of School</b> Pre-K4 & Kdg. Last names M-Z  Pre-K4 Half-day Dismissal 11:30 a.m.  Pre-K4 Full-day & Kdg. Dismissal 12:15 p.m.  Grades 1-8 Dismissal 2:45 p.m.	1 <b>Regular School Day</b> Grades Pre-K4—8  Pre-K4 Half-day Dismissal 11:30 a.m.  Pre-K4 Full-day and Gr. K-8 Dismissal 2:45 p.m.  Slade Night at Italia's Corner Café 4-9 p.m.	2 <b>Regular School Day</b> Grades Pre-K4—8  Pre-K4 Half-day Dismissal 11:30 a.m.  Pre-K4 Full-day and Gr. K-8 Dismissal 2:45 p.m.  <b>Virtual Back-to-School Night</b> for Parents— <b>Gr. 6-8</b> 6:30 p.m.	3	4
5   <div>9/11 Food Drive continues thru week→</div>	6  SCHOOL CLOSED Labor Day	7  In-school Mass	8   <b>Virtual Back-to-School Night</b> for Parents— <b>Gr. 1-5</b> 6:30 p.m.  Virtual HASA Executive Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m.	9	10 9/11 Food Drive ends  Student Council Officer Elections	11 Coaches Mandatory Training 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
12	13	14   Advancement Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m.	15 HALF-DAY Professional Day Dismissal 12:15 p.m.  Band Demo Gr. 4-8  Athletic Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	16	17   Student Council Rep Elections	18
19	20   <div>A <i>Charlie Brown Christmas</i> auditions, Grades 3-5, 2:45-4:30 p.m.</div>	21	22 Individual Picture Day Pre-K4, Kdg., 6, 7, 8 and Edu-Care	23 Individual Picture Day Gr. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and Edu-Care	24 Tuition Assistance Out-of-uniform Day \$2 per student	25
26	27   Charlie Brown Rehearsal 2:45-4:30 p.m.	28  Archdiocesan High School Fair at MSCS 6:00 p.m.	29	30		