



# WEEKLY UPDATE

## 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.

### Next week's calendar:

Monday, August 28, 2023:

- First day of school
- HALF-DAY for all students, grades Pre-K4—8th
- Pre-K4 & Kindergarten, Last names beginning with A-L
- Dismissal 12:15 p.m. (Please refer to attached parking lot diagram for procedures.)

Tuesday, August 29, 2023:

- HALF-DAY for Grades Pre-K4 & Kindergarten, Last names beginning with M-Z, Dismissal 12:15 p.m.
- FULL-DAY for Gr. 1-8, Dismissal 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 30, 2023:

- Regular school day for Grades Pre-K4 - 8
- Pre-K4 Half-day students, Dismissal 11:30 a.m.
- Pre-K4 Full-day - Grade 8, Dismissal 3:00 p.m.

Thursday, August 31, 2023:

- Regular school day for Grades Pre-K4 - 8
- Pre-K4 Half-day students, Dismissal 11:30 a.m.
- Pre-K4 Full-day - Grade 8, Dismissal 3:00 p.m.

Friday, September 1, 2023:

- Slade Spirit Wear Day
- Regular school day for Grades Pre-K4 - 8
- Brown bag breakfasts, Grades 3 & 4
- Student Snack Sale



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### Important News & Notes:

**Happy Helpers for the Homeless:** For those of you who may not know, Monsignor Slade Catholic School has been supporting a local charitable organization known as "Happy Helpers for the Homeless" since the late 90s. This organization was founded by an 8-year-old girl from Glen Burnie named Amber Coffman, who was volunteering with her mother at a local homeless shelter. She saw the tremendous needs of this vulnerable population and tried to figure out a way to help. She began simply by making lunches in her home to distribute to the homeless people living in the streets. Other people heard her story and volunteered to prepare and donate lunches to support her mission. In fact, our middle school students first began preparing lunches for the homeless as part of a religion project to support Amber in her efforts. Slade has been donating homemade lunches to the organization ever since.

Unfortunately, Happy Helpers cannot accept homemade lunches at this time; however, we have learned of an alternate means of supporting this worthy organization with the "Bag a Breakfast" program. Students and families can prepare a 'breakfast to go' with prepackaged items such as small boxes of cereal or packets of oatmeal, granola bars, juice boxes, and more. Monsignor Slade will kick-off this annual service project on Friday, September 1st.

Each month, different grade levels will be asked to participate if they are able. For the September 1st donations, 3rd & 4th graders are scheduled to contribute. Two brown bags will be sent home with each of the 3rd & 4th grade students on Wednesday, August 30th, to aid in the preparation of your 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

Thank you in advance for your support and generosity!

**Slade Spirit Wear Day:** In a continued effort toward community building within the school, Mr. Stehle has initiated a weekly "Slade Spirit Wear Day." This initiative will allow students to wear spirit wear rather than their formal uniform on that particular day. Spirit wear days are optional, and if a student does not choose to dress in spirit wear on these days, he/she should come to school in the regular school uniform. These days will typically fall on Friday's, but may be designated to other days as decided by Mr. Stehle. All Spirit Wear Days will be marked on the school calendar. Please see the insert below that outlines the rules and expectations for Spirit Wear Days:



- Students should wear an official Monsignor Slade Catholic School spirit wear shirt, quarter-zip, sweatshirt, or other top (as purchased from the Slade Spiritwear Store [Homepage Here](#))
- Any other Monsignor Slade Catholic School spirit wear can be worn on these days with the exception of hats which may not be worn inside the building.
- Spirit wear that is defaced, torn, altered or written on is not permissible.

## Important News & Notes (continued):

More information and regulations about spirit wear days can be found on page 46 of the new Parent & Student Handbook for 2023-2024. Please note that spirit wear days are not an opportunity for students to ignore school policies concerning, hair, nails, shoes, jewelry, style and length of clothing. You can find all uniform policies in the current Parent & Student Handbook, which is posted on our website.

**Our Annual Food Drive began this year on August 24th.** Please consider donating to the 9/11 Worldwide Freedom Harvest Food Drive to support the Maryland Anne Arundel County Food Bank. Students may continue to bring food donations to school until Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>. We ask that you send only newly purchased items. Expired food items are not accepted. Please see the attached flyer for further information on the types of food donations that are needed the most. Thank you for your generosity with our first service project of the school year!

**Monthly Snack Sale Volunteers Needed!** We have a wonderful group of volunteers that work our Monthly Snack Sale helping children select the perfect treat. We have a need for a couple more people to add to the team. This is a monthly commitment from 7:45 am - 12:15 pm, and you earn service hours for this event. You must be VIRTUS-compliant to volunteer for this. If you are interested in joining the team, please contact Mrs. Sullivan at [k.sullivan@mssladeschool.com](mailto:k.sullivan@mssladeschool.com).

**Help Wanted: Substitute teachers:** Monsignor Slade Catholic School is seeking individuals who are interested in serving as substitute teachers. To learn more about substituting at Slade, please email your interests and resume to Mr. Cameron Stehle, Principal, at [c.stehle@mssladeschool.com](mailto:c.stehle@mssladeschool.com).

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## From the School Nurse:



### Medications At School

If a student's physician recommends that the student receive prescription or over-the-counter medication during the school day, a medication form signed by the student's licensed health care provider is required. **Forms are available on the Slade website and can be found under the Forms & Documents section of the Parents tab.**

( Link to forms: <https://www.mssladeschool.com/resources/forms-documents> )

Medication, both prescription and non-prescription, can only be dispensed with this medication form, signed by the health care provider and parent, specifying start and stop dates.

**ALL medications must be delivered to the school by the parent/guardian in its original box or container.** Medications delivered to the school nurse by the student will not be accepted for use, but will be placed in a locked cabinet until the parent/guardian picks up the medication or signs for it.

### Health Forms

Upon entering Monsignor Slade Catholic School, students must have a complete physical and required immunizations. The physical must be completed within nine months prior to enrolling in school for the first time, or within six months after starting school for the first time. The Health Inventory form, which is for Pre-K4 students only, should be taken with you to your child's physical. Students in kindergarten through 8th grade require the "Student Physical Form K-8." These forms can be found on the website as well using the following link: <https://www.mssladeschool.com/resources/forms-documents> The form can be found in your School Admin portal.

Parents are also required to complete an MSDE Emergency Form, which will be included with your child's school supply packets. This year, the form is printed on orange card

## From the School Nurse (continued):

stock, and should be easily located within the packet. This important form provides the Health Room with necessary information, including allergies, serious medical conditions, medications, and emergency contact information. Please ensure that the back of the form is completed and signed. The school must be notified of any changes that occur during the year.

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## Advancement Announcements:

**Thank you** to our faculty and staff for warmly welcoming our new parents during New Parent Night on Wednesday. It is always a joy to have our Slade families in the building.

### Key Enrollment Information:

Please log onto your SchoolAdmin portal to complete all required and optional forms that remain for the 2022-2023 academic year. Visit [mssladeschool.schooladminonline.com/portal](https://mssladeschool.schooladminonline.com/portal) to log in. For questions, please contact Mrs. Joanna Buchanan, [j.buchanan@mssladeschool.com](mailto:j.buchanan@mssladeschool.com) or Mrs. Carrie Hilmer, [c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com](mailto:c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com)

IMPORTANT! Please add the following email address to your safe senders list in order to ensure you receive all school-related emails: [info+mssladeschool@schooladminonline.com](mailto:info+mssladeschool@schooladminonline.com) and [mssc@mssladeschool.com](mailto:mssc@mssladeschool.com).

**Spirit of Slade Referral Program:** Limited seats remain in elementary grades and 6th grade for the 2023-2024 school year. Monsignor Slade families can earn a \$500 referral credit toward their 2024-2025 tuition after a referred, new student has been enrolled for a full year. Referred applicants must indicate the referring family name or student's name on the application. Referral credits cannot exceed full tuition expenses. Think of friends and neighbors who might be seeking a new educational experience and share the great news about Monsignor Slade.

**Seeking Advancement Committee members:** Do you have experience in marketing, sales, fundraising, volunteer management or are simply committed to helping Monsignor Slade grow? Mark your calendars! The Advancement Committee meets once a month on Tuesdays. We need friend-raisers! If interested, please reach out to Mrs. Hilmer in the Advancement Office at [c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com](mailto:c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com).

**Alumni Updates:** Do you know a Slade graduate who is applying for college or experiencing an exciting life event? Please encourage him/her to share an update at [www.mssladeschool.com/alumni](http://www.mssladeschool.com/alumni).

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## Edu-Care Corner:

### PreK-2, PreK-3 and Extended Care

It's almost here! We can't wait to see you on Monday! Please make sure you have completed the MSDE Health Inventory, Immunization Record, verification of Lead Blood Tests and the MSDE Emergency Form. You can either upload them to your School Admin portal or hand them to the teacher directly. As a licensed child care center, all of these forms are required to be completed before students start at our center. Attached is the Edu-Care Center Schedule for your reference. Please contact Suzanne Peters at [s.peters@mssladeschool.com](mailto:s.peters@mssladeschool.com) with any questions.



### We are hiring!

We're currently looking for Child Care teachers and Aides for our Extended Care program. Hours are 2:30pm to 5:00pm Monday through Friday. If you or anyone you know is interested, please contact Suzanne Peters, 410-760-2024.

## HASA Happenings:



### ORIOLES GAME - Saturday, September 16, 2023

O-R-I-O-L-E-S! Help support Monsignor Slade Catholic School by buying a ticket to the Orioles vs. the Tampa Bay Rays on Saturday, September 16, 2023, at 7:05pm. \$5.00 from every Upper Reserve Ticket goes straight to the school!

Use this link to purchase tickets: <https://fevo.me/mscshasa23>

Tickets are generated based on your needs, so if you want to sit with friends and family, consider buying tickets at the same time.

### DESIGNER BAG BINGO - Friday, September 30, 2023



MSCS Home and School Association is hosting a Designer Bag Bingo event. Purse brands include Coach, Kate Spade, Vera Bradley and more! Tickets: \$30 in advance, \$35 at the door. Tickets available for purchase at: <https://forms.diamondmindinc.com/mssladeschool/hasabagbingo>

Friday, September 30, 2023

Doors open at 5:30pm, Bingo starts at 6:00pm

MSCS Cafeteria, 120 Dorsey Road, Glen Burnie, MD 21061

Tickets include 3 Bingo Cards for all 20 games and chances to win door prizes. Basket Raffles, 50/50, dabbers, food and refreshments will be available for purchase.

### HASA Sports Cards & Collectible Show – 9am-3pm

This event runs all year long. The next card show will be held on 9/9/23, and the rest of the dates for 2023 are 10/14/23, 11/11/23, and 12/16/23. The dates for the 2024 shows will be provided in December. Keep an eye out for special signings with Orioles and Ravens players.

### CHARLESTON GIFT WRAP – SALE BEGINS SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

Our Charleston Wrap fundraiser kicks off soon! Look out for our Charleston Wrap fundraising info coming soon and get ready to check off your holiday gift list! You're going to LOVE what you see, and your support will help us reach our fundraising goal!

### TRUNK OR TREAT – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2023

To Sign up for a Trunk or to Volunteers, please use this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094FAFA928A6F5C52-slade2>



## Sports Section:

### Athletic Council Open Positions:

Treasurer (3 year term)

Program Coordinator

You will receive all of your service hours in each position. Please join our team!!!

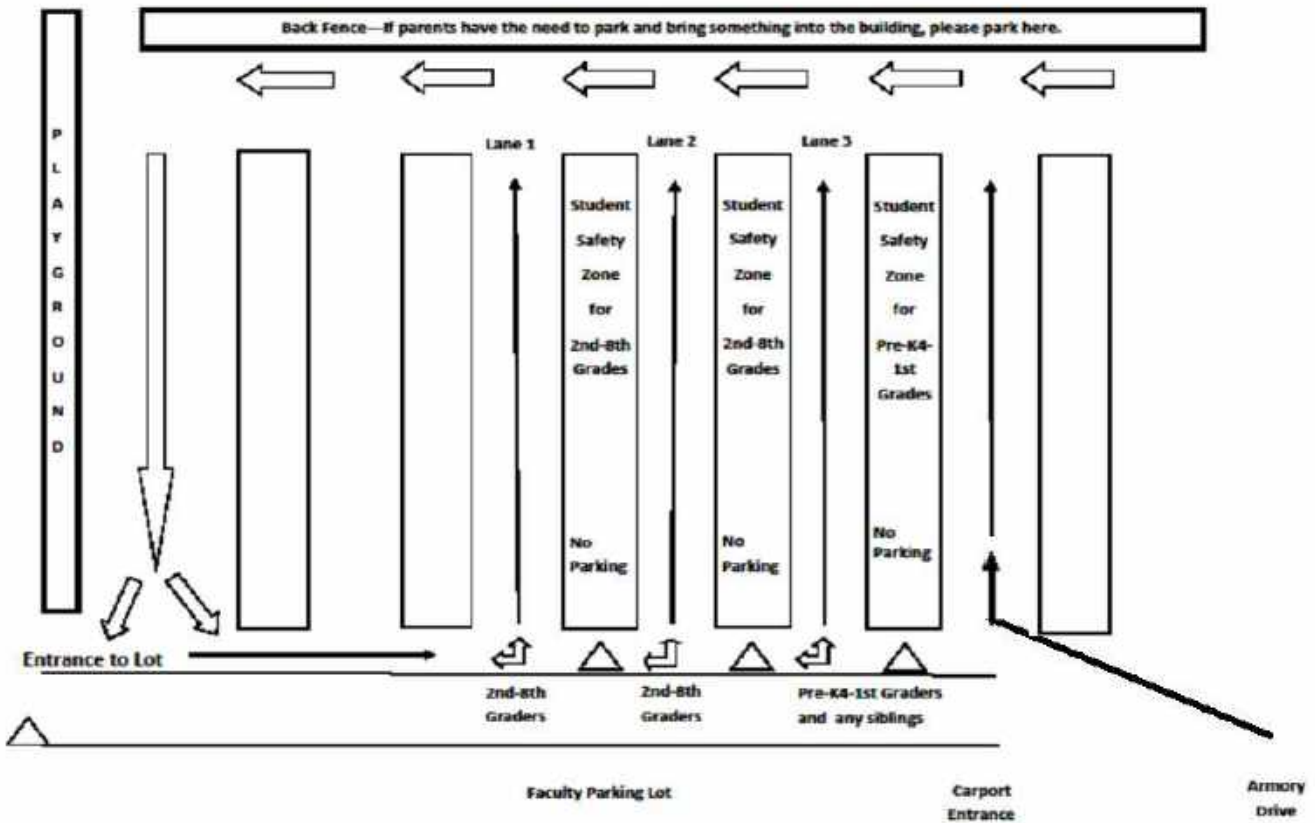
Without volunteers we can't provide our sports programs. Please email

[SladeACpresident@gmail.com](mailto:SladeACpresident@gmail.com) for more information.

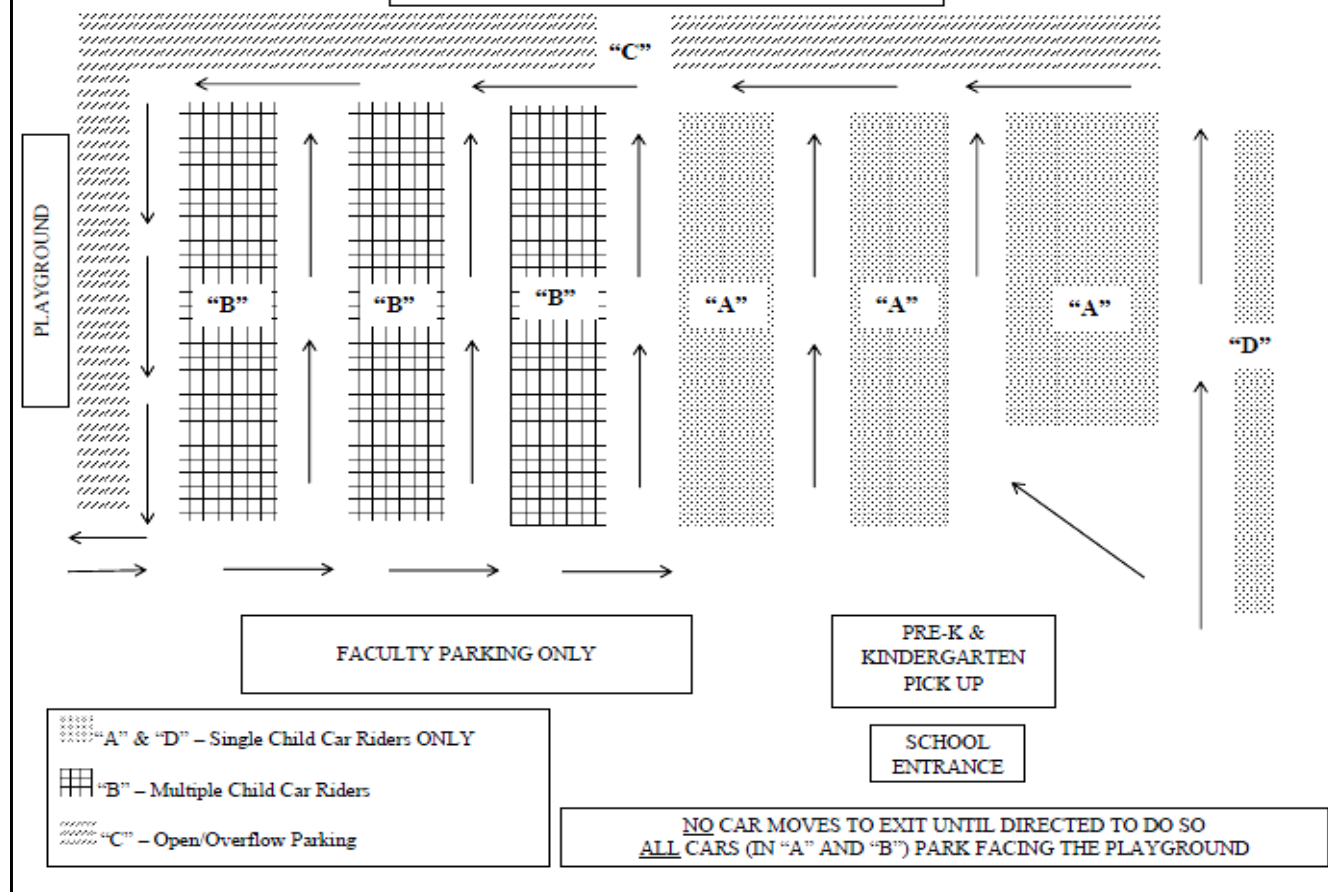


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### Morning Drop-off Diagram



### AFTERNOON PICK-UP DIAGRAM



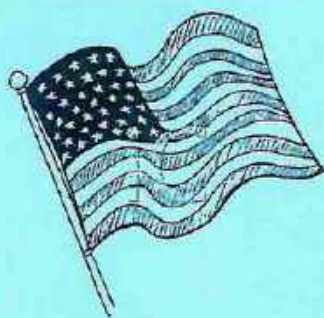
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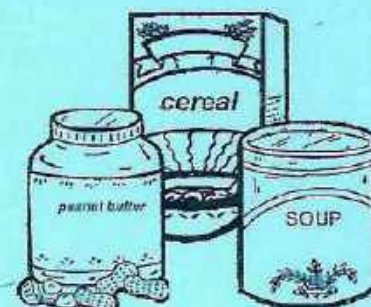
**September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

*In Honor of the Victims and Heroes of  
September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2001*



Items Most Needed:

- Tuna
- Soup
- Canned fruit
- Peanut butter
- Cereal
- Juice



Local soup kitchens, pantries, shelters, families and individuals will benefit from the Freedom Harvest. The human tragedy of hunger in Maryland is immense.

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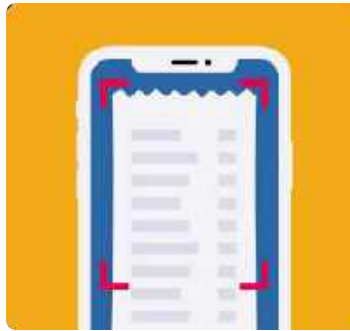


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# Monsignor Slade Catholic School

## “Spirit of Slade”

### Referral Program

Monsignor Slade Catholic School sponsors a family referral program, “Spirit of Slade,” which rewards the families of currently enrolled full-day Pre-K–7th grade families who refer new families to Monsignor Slade Catholic School.



- ◆ Open to all MSCS families with students currently enrolled in full-day Pre-K2 through 7th grade
- ◆ For every new family that lists your family's name in the “Referred by” field on their enrollment application and completes one full year of school at MSCS, your family will receive a **\$500** tuition credit for the following school year.
- ◆ Tuition credits are awarded on a per **FAMILY**, not per student, basis.
- ◆ You may refer more than one new family and receive additional credit. The amount of referral tuition credits cannot exceed the total tuition rate for one student in a family in any given year. Credits will not be applied until a family’s FACTS account is activated for the year in which the credits are to be received. Tuition credits cannot be redeemed for cash.

#### To help as you refer new families:

- ◆ A new family is defined as a family NOT currently enrolled in the Edu-Care program/Pre-K2-8th grades at MSCS.
- ◆ Prospective families must list the full name of a referring parent or student on their initial enrollment application. Only one family may be listed as a referring family. There are no exceptions.

***\*Monsignor Slade Catholic School reserves the right to change, amend, or end this program at any time.***



For more information or with questions, please contact:  
Carrie Hilmer, Advancement Director  
410-766-7130, ext. 107 or [c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com](mailto:c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com)

**2023-2024 Schedule**  
**Monsignor Slade Edu-Care Center**  
**which includes PreK-2, PreK-3 Full Day, PreK-3 Half Day, & Extended Care**

**August 2023**

- 22 PreK-2 - Visit Day
- 23 PreK-3 - Visit Day
- 28 PreK-2 - Full Day  
PreK-3 - Full Day  
PreK-3 Half Day - Visit Day  
PreK-4 and K (M-Z) - Ext 7am - 5pm  
PreK-4 and K (A-L) - Ext 12:15pm - 5pm  
Ext (Grades 1-8) 12:15pm - 5pm
- 29 PreK-4 and K (A-L) - Ext 7am - 5pm  
Pre-K4 and K (M-Z) - Ext 12:15pm - 5pm  
Grades 1-8 - Ext 3pm - 5pm
- 30 PreK-3 Half Day - First Day 8am - 11:30am

**September**

- 4 MSCS and Edu-Care Closed-Labor Day
- 22 MSCS 12:15pm Dismissal, Ext 12:15pm - 5pm
- 27 Individual pictures
- 28 Individual pictures

**October**

- 6 MSCS Closed, No PreK-3 Half Day  
Edu-Care 7am - 5pm
- 16 MSCS Closed, No PreK-3 Half Day  
Edu-Care 7am - 5pm
- 26 MSCS 12:15pm Dismissal, Ext 12:15pm - 5pm
- 27 MSCS 12:15pm Dismissal, Ext 12:15pm - 5pm

**November**

- 3 MSCS Closed, No PreK-3 Half Day  
Edu-Care 7am - 5pm
- 22 MSCS and Edu-Care 12:15pm Dismissal
- 23 Closed for Thanksgiving
- 24 Closed for Thanksgiving

**December**

- 20 MSCS 12:15pm Dismissal, Ext 12:15pm - 5pm
- 21-29 MSCS and Edu-Care Closed for Christmas

**January 2024**

- 1-2 MSCS and Edu-Care Closed
- 3 MSCS and Edu-Care reopens
- 15 MSCS and Edu-Care closed for MLK Holiday
- 19 MSCS 12:15pm Dismissal, Ext 12:15pm - 5pm

**February**

- 16 MSCS 12:15pm Dismissal, Ext 12:15pm - 5pm
- 19 MSCS and Edu-Care closed for President's Day

**March**

- 1 MSCS Closed, No PreK-3 Half Day  
Edu-Care 7am - 5pm
- 28 MSCS and Edu-Care 12:15pm Dismissal
- 29 Closed for Easter Vacation

**April**

- 1-2 Closed for Easter Vacation
- 3-5 MSCS Closed, No PreK-3 Half Day,  
Edu-Care 7am - 5pm
- 8 MSCS reopens
- 26 MSCS 12:15pm Dismissal, Ext 12:15pm - 5pm

**May**

- 24 MSCS 12:15pm Dismissal, Ext 12:15pm - 5pm
- 24 Last Day for PreK-2, PreK-3, PreK-3 Half Day
- 27 MSCS and Edu-Care Closed for Memorial Day
- 28 PreK-2, PreK-3 Summer Program begins
- 30 8th Grade Last Day - No Ext for 8th Grade

**June**

- 5 PreK-4 last day - No PM Ext for Pre-K 4
- 6 PreK-4 Summer Program begins
- 6 MSCS 11:15pm dismissal, Ext 11:15pm - 5pm
- 7 Summer Program begins for Grades K-4th
- 19 Edu-Care Closed for Juneteenth Holiday

**Center Closed July 1-5 and August 5-9, 2024**

**\*Calendar is subject to change**

**If you have any questions, please contact the  
Edu-Care office at 410-760-2024 or  
[s.peters@msladeschool.com](mailto:s.peters@msladeschool.com)**

**Incliment Weather Policy**

The Edu-Care Center will follow Anne Arundel  
County Public Schools incliment weather  
closings and delays.

# September 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p>28 <b>Opening of School</b> HALF-DAY for all students Pre-K4 &amp; Kdg. Last names A-L Pre-K4 Half-day Dismissal 11:30 a.m.</p>	<p>29 <b>Opening of School</b> Pre-K4 &amp; Kdg. Last names M-Z Pre-K4 Half-day Dismissal 11:30 a.m. Pre-K4 Full-day &amp; Kdg. Dismissal 12:15 p.m.</p>	<p>30 <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 3:00 p.m.</p>	<p>31 <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 3:00 p.m.</p>	<p>1 <b>Regular School Day</b> Grades Pre-K4—8 Br. Bag Breakfasts - Gr. 3 &amp; 4 Student Snack Sale Slade Spirit Day</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>3</p> <p>9/11 Food Drive continues thru week→</p>	<p>4 <b>SCHOOL CLOSED</b> Labor Day</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6 In-school Mass Slade Night at Italia's Corner Café 4-9 p.m. HASA Executive Board Mtg., 5:30 p.m., Rm. 110</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 9/11 Food Drive ends Student Council Officer Elections Slade Spirit Day</p>	<p>9 HASA Sports Cards &amp; Collectibles Show 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. Cafeteria</p>
<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 Advancement Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>13 Back-to-School Night Grades 1-5 6:30 p.m.</p>	<p>14 Back-to-School Night Grades 6-8 6:30 p.m. High School Info Night—Gr. 8 only, immediately following BTS Night</p>	<p>15 Student Council Home-room Rep Elections Slade Spirit Day</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17</p>	<p>18 HASA Gift Wrap Sale begins</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Athletic Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 HALF-DAY Dismissal 12:15 p.m. Slade Spirit Day</p>	<p>23</p>
<p>24</p>	<p>25 Tuition Assistance Out-of-uniform Day \$2 per student Archdiocesan High School Fair at MSCS 6:00-8:00 p.m.</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 Individual Picture Day Gr. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and Edu-Care</p>	<p>28 Individual Picture Day Pre-K4. Kdg., 6, 7, 8 and Edu-Care</p>	<p>29 HASA Designer Purse Bingo, 6:00 p.m. Slade Spirit Day</p>	<p>30</p>