

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

January 13, 2017

Upcoming Events:

- Saturday, 1/14
 - ~~Middle School Dance, Grades 7 & 8, 7-10 p.m., Cafeteria~~ CANCELLED (Snow Date: 1/21/17)
- Sunday, 1/15
 - Knights of Columbus Bingo, 12-5 p.m., Cafeteria
- Monday, 1/16
 - SCHOOL CLOSED, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
 - Edu-Care and Extended Care CLOSED
- Tuesday, 1/17
 - Eighth Grade Mid-term Exams
- Wednesday, 1/18
 - Eighth Grade Mid-term Exams
 - Athletic Council, 6:30 p.m., Room 110
- Thursday, 1/19
 - Eighth Grade Mid-term Exams
- Friday, 1/20
 - Vision & Hearing Screening
 - Skate Night at Wheels in Odenton, 5:45-7:45 p.m.

Important News and Notes:

- **Super Slade winners for the week of January 9th:**
 - Isaac Avelar – Cooperation
 - Brooks Macias – Hard Work
 - Kendall McDaniel – Concern for Others
 - Juan Munoz – Self-Control
 - Reagan Jaikeran – Hard Work
 - Kori Gregory - Responsibility
- **Safety Concerns** – Please read the attached letter containing important information about an incident on the parking lot.
- **PowerSchool Update – Parent Access** – The PowerSchool server will be down on Sunday, January 15th, from 6 a.m. until (possibly) Monday, January 16th at 6 a.m.
- **SAVE THE DATE!** A **Family Sock Hop** has been planned by a committee of 6th, 7th & 8th grade students for **February 17th** from 6:30-9:30 p.m. All are welcomed!! Please see the attached flyer and ticket order form for further information.

Grade Level Reminders:

- **Grades 7 & 8 – Middle School Dance – CANCELLED. SNOW DATE – 1/21/17.** Anne Arundel County Public Schools has announced that all Saturday activities are cancelled due to the forecast for snow, sleet, freezing rain and the potential for icy conditions.

Advancement Announcements & Appeals

- Great news! We are at approximately **80% re-registration** for the 2017-2018 school year! Thank you to all of the families who took advantage of the early re-registration discount!
- **Open House for prospective families will take place on January 29, 2017**, to kick off Catholic Schools' Week. Listed below are several ways that you can help:
 - Serve as a greeter in your home parish handing out flyers announcing our Open House.
 - Speak to the congregation at your church to share why Slade is right for your family and invite interested families to our Open House (less than 2 minutes speaking time).
 - Have your Slade student(s) attend Mass on Sunday, January 22nd, in their regular winter uniform. After Mass, submit a photo of your child(ren) with the celebrating priest and they will earn an out-of-uniform day! Send your photos to c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com.

If you have any questions about Open House and ways that you can help, please contact Carrie Hilmer at c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com or 410-766-7130, ext. 107.

- **Class Agent for your Graduating Class** – Are you a Slade alumnus? We need your help! We are creating more opportunities for our alumni to connect with Monsignor Slade Catholic School. Would you like to be a class agent for your graduating class to help us share information about our school and gather alumni updates or current information from your fellow classmates? If so, contact the Advancement Office at 410-766-7130, ext. 107, or c.hilmer@mssladeschool.com.

HASA Happenings:

- **BULL ROAST:** We have already sold many of the tickets for our Spring Bull Roast on April 29th from 6-10 p.m. Request your tickets now!!! Only 300 tickets will be sold. Invite your family and friends, and enjoy a fun night out to support your favorite school. We will have catered food by Monaghans with an open bar of beer and wine, live music by Mad Planet, wheels, raffles and some fabulous auction items up for bid. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year, and you won't want to miss it!

Sports Section:

- **SLADE GIRLS AND BOYS LACROSSE:** Looking for additional players to join our lacrosse program. Registration is open for girls lacrosse ages Kindergarten – 8th grade and boys birthdates between September 2012 (typically Pre-K4/Kindergarten) and August 31, 2001 (typically 9th grade). To register, visit <https://monsignor-slade.siplay.com/site/> or for more information about the program, visit <https://sites.google.com/site/sladesports/home> and select girls or boys lacrosse. We are accepting registrations for most divisions but need a few more girls for the Junior (7th & 8th grade) team and the boys Pee wee (4th & 5th grade) and Junior 8th & 9th grade) teams by the third week in January as we are preparing for yearbook pictures.

No experience necessary to play, if you already registered you can ask your neighborhood friends to join if they don't attend Slade and are looking for a team. For questions regarding playing contact Tony Hudson, Commissioner at: sladelax@gmail.com.

Attachments included:

- Letter from the Principal – Safety Concerns
- Health Room Notes – Cold vs. Flu
- Skate Night Ticket Order Form – January 20, 2017
- Parent Cleaning Day Information – January 28, 2017
- Family Sock Hop Flyer and Ticket Order Form – February 17, 2017
- Bull Roast Ticket Information – April 29, 2017

Think big and don't listen to people who tell you it can't be done. Life's too short to think small.

~Tim Ferriss



January 13, 2017

Dear Families,

As you are aware, the safety of our students, faculty, staff, and visitors is of the utmost importance here at Monsignor Slade Catholic School. From arrival to dismissal and all time in between, all of us play a part in making sure that the safest environment possible is created. To that end, we must address some recent parking lot concerns.

Last week, there were several instances where drivers intentionally disregarded the directions of staff members and student safeties. This resulted in one of our staff members nearly being struck by a car. Unfortunately, we are continuing to see these instances this week. It is vital that those who are picking up children understand that there is a clear procedure for the dismissal of vehicles and that directions provided by staff and safeties must be observed.

While we understand that you may have appointments or the need to return to work in a timely manner, we cannot disregard the dismissal procedures at the expense of the safety of all on the parking lot.

Please review the detailed transportation information on pp. 41- 45 of the 2016-2017 Parent & Student Handbook. If you have designated someone else to pick up your child who does not have a copy of the policy, please provide it to him or her.

Some important dismissal reminders:

- If you are picking up a child from the main building, you must park in the large, school parking lot, not the smaller Edu-Care lot near the Parish Center.
- If you are picking up more than one child, you must park in the 'multiples' section of the parking lot. Only those picking up one child may park in the 'singles' section.
- You must stay in your lane until dismissed by a staff member.
- You may not cut around or between cars to leave the lot earlier.
- If you must get to an appointment, we strongly encourage parents to pick up their child(ren) by 2:00 p.m. Otherwise, you will be dismissed from the parking lot in the usual manner.

If everyone follows the safety procedures as detailed above and in our handbook, student arrival and dismissal times will be much quicker and certainly much safer.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Alexa Cox
Principal

NOTES FROM THE HEALTH ROOM

Is it a Cold or the Flu?

It's official – cold and flu season is upon us! In order to help keep everyone healthy, it is important to practice good hygiene and hand-washing. Please remind yourself and your family to:

- Cover mouth with your bent elbow when coughing or sneezing.
- Wash hands frequently with soap for 20 seconds.
- Don't share food or drink.
- Second-hand smoke increases the rate of respiratory illness in children.
- Encourage plenty of sleep, fluids and a balanced diet.
- Get your flu shot.

It can be confusing to know what your child has. Does he/she have a cold or flu? The following will provide information on symptoms:

Symptoms	Cold	Flu
Fever	Rarely (Low grade)	Usually
Headache	Occasionally	Prominent
General aches and pains	Slight	Usual: often quite severe
Fatigue and weakness	Mild	Extreme: can last 2-3 weeks
Prostration (extreme exhaustion)	Never	Early and prominent
Runny, stuffy nose	Common	Sometimes
Sneezing	Usual	Sometimes
Sore throat	Common	Sometimes
Chest discomfort, cough	Mild to moderate; hacking cough	Common: can be severe

Children must be completely free of fever for 24 hours, without the use of fever-reducing medications, before returning to school.

REMINDERS:

- All prescription and non-prescription medications require a completed medication administration form with a doctor's signature.
- All medications to be taken at school have to be kept in the health room.
- If your child has borrowed a uniform from the health room, please clean and return it as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Susan McDonald, R.N.

Monsignor Slade Skate Night
Sponsored by the Home School Association



*** Bring your family and friends to the Monsignor Slade Skating Party ***

When: Friday, January 20th
5:45-7:45pm

Where: Wheels Skating Center
1200 Odenton Road in Odenton

Tickets: \$4.00 in advance Advance tickets will be sent home within 2 days of order.
Advance tickets must be ordered by Thursday, January 19th.

\$5.00 at the door **Credit/debit cards are NOT accepted for admission.**

Skate rental is payable at the door only and is a cost in addition to admission. The cost is \$3.00 for quad skate rentals and \$4.00 for in-line or speed skate rentals. Children may use their own skates or rollerblades if they have never been used outdoors.

Directions: Route 170 towards Odenton. Proceed through the 175/170 intersection. Take a left at the next traffic light onto Odenton Road. This will bring you behind the skating rink. Wheels is approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ mile on the left at the top of the hill. You can also enter from Rt. 175 and go up the hill across from the Dairy Queen.

Snow Policy: If the county cancels activities then skating is cancelled. You can check the website at <http://www.aacps.org>

Food/Gum: No outside food or drinks are allowed in the building. Gum chewing is not permitted in the building

For more details call: Stacey Coffee 410-292-0154

Please return to Stacey Coffee C/O Owen Coffee Homeroom C6

SKATE NIGHT FORM: Cut this form at the dotted line to order advance tickets. Send the form with payment to your child's teacher.

Student's Name: _____ Number of Tickets: _____

Homeroom #: _____ Amount Enclosed: _____

Make checks payable to Monsignor Slade.

PARENT CLEANING DAY
SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 2017
7:30 AM—12 Noon



Please enter the school through the side entrance of the cafeteria (down the outside stairs). Bring your cleaning gloves and a bucket or two. Slade provides the cleansers, scrub brushes, and dirt. Bring your travel mug, bottled water or anything else that will jump start your morning (a snack, an i-Pod, a work buddy).

Because parents do not need to be
STV/STAND compliant,
CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF 18
ARE NOT ALLOWED!

Come help us make Slade shine!
THANK-YOU!



Come on down to Slade's



When: February 17th 6:30-9:30

Where: Slade Auditorium

Price: \$5/person or \$20/family

Dress to impress for the costume contest!

Photo opportunities

Hot Dogs, chips, sodas, and root beer float \$1



Family Sock Hop Ticket Order Form

Are you ready to have a great night and support
our school?!!?

Fill out the form below and send your money in to
secure your tickets to Slade's family sock hop.

ALL ARE WELCOME!!!!

Tickets are \$5/person or \$20/family. Please send in
cash or check made payable to MSCS.

Student Name: _____ Homeroom _____

_____ Individual Tickets x \$5 Total _____

_____ Family Tickets x \$20 Total _____

All ticket sales are final. Thank you for your support!!

Monsignor Slade

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Roast

Saturday, April 29th

6-10pm



FOOD • DRINKS • MUSIC • PRIZE WHEELS • 50/50 • SILENT AUCTION

DRAWING TO WIN A Cruise Getaway 

Ticket Order Form

\$50 per person

\$45 per person with table of 10

Parent(s) Name(s) _____ Phone _____

Email address _____

Child's Name _____ Homeroom _____

TOTAL # of Tickets _____ x \$50.00 = \$ _____

TOTAL # of Tables _____ x \$450.00 = \$ _____

Please make checks payable to MSCS



Return to school ATTN: CAS Ticket Order