



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.

Important calendar reminders for the first week of school:

Monday, 8/26/24

- Edu-Care open 7am - 5pm
- Half-day for PreK-4 thru 8th grade
- PreK-4 & Kindergarten Last Names A-L attend school
- PreK-4 Half-day class dismissal at 11:30 am
- PreK-4 Full-day class and Grades K-8 dismissal at 12:15 pm
- Extended Care open 12:15 - 6:00 pm

Tuesday, 8/27/24

- PreK-4 & Kindergarten Last Names M-Z attend school
- PreK-4 Half-day class dismissal at 11:30 am
- PreK-4 Full-day class and Kindergarten class dismissal at 12:15 pm No Extended Care at this time
- Grades 1-8 Dismissal at 3:00 pm
- Extended Care open 3:00 - 6:00 pm

Wednesday 8/28/24

- Regular School Day for PreK-4 thru 8th Grade
- Extended Care begins normal operating hours 3-6 pm

Thursday, 8/29/2024

- Regular School Day for Grades PreK-4 - 8th
- PreK-4 Half-day class dismissal at 11:30 am
- PreK-4 Full-day class and Grades K-8 dismissal at 3:00 pm

Friday, 8/30/2024

- Regular School Day for Grades PreK-4 - 8th.

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Important News & Notes:

In order for your children to start school on August 26th, please be sure your SchoolAdmin checklist items are completed! There are still several families who have not submitted all the necessary forms for enrollment. Please ensure these two forms are complete and have been uploaded:

>Emergency Contact Medical Form

>Alerts Form

In addition to the above mentioned forms, please visit this link to check your portal and confirm all required checklist items are complete: [https://](https://mssladeschool.schooladminonline.com/portal)

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Arrival and Dismissal Procedures: A comprehensive explanation on all procedures for dropping off and picking up your student(s) each day can be found at the end of this newsletter,

Carpool Information: If you are interested in carpooling for the 2024-2025 school year, please complete our Google survey: <https://forms.gle/8gjYSiaWpSz1ReTB6>.

A spreadsheet will be created and shared electronically with all interested families.

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Buchanan 410-766-7130 ext. 2118 or j.buchanan@mssladeschool.com. Thank you!

Important Information for Parent Volunteers: The Archdiocese of Baltimore is committed to providing a safe environment for our children and youth and has developed a process of screening volunteers who have substantial contact with children and youth. This program is called VIRTUS. All volunteers are required to complete the Archdiocese of Baltimore's online compliance management system, VIRTUS. Instructions and a link to VIRTUS: <https://www.mssladeschool.com/resources/parent-volunteering/shield-the-vulnerable>, can be found on our school's website under the "Parents" tab, then go to VIRTUS on that page.

Please note: You may not volunteer in any activity in which you may come in contact with children until the process is complete and you are VIRTUS-compliant..

Service Hours Program: The Service Hours Program has been established at the school in an effort to help the school raise funds and/or to help defray the costs for services needed throughout the school. Each family with students enrolled in Pre-K4 (full-day) through 8th grade is required to give twelve (12) hours of service during the school year or pay an additional fee of \$300 by December 31, 2024. This year, families will be able to sign up electronically. You will find further details about the program through the following sign-up link: <https://forms.gle/cDCqZQHscPxJPEKM6>

Heaven Sent Catering School Lunch Program: Important information can be found in subsequent pages further along in this newsletter.

Slade Spirit Wear Day: In a continued effort toward community building within the school, a weekly "Slade Spirit Wear Day" will happen all year long! Students may wear spirit wear rather than their formal uniform on that particular day. Spirit wear days are optional and are separate from out of uniform days. Spirit wear days are at no cost to families. 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. Look for additional policy regarding spirit wear days in the Parent & Student Handbook.

From the School Nurse:



Changes to Nursing Staff

- Welcome Mrs. Stephanie Holmberg! There will now be two part time nurses at Slade which will provide full time coverage for the health room. Nurse Holmberg and Nurse Albaugh will alternate days of the week. Please use our new email nurse@mssladeschool.com when contacting the school about any medical concerns.

Missing Immunizations

- According to Maryland state law, all children must have the required State of Maryland immunizations in order to attend school. Parents are responsible for providing proof of immunization to the school prior to the student attending or proof of an appointment for necessary immunizations within 20 calendar days of the first day of school.
- All immunizations must be up to date or proof of an appointment must be submitted to the school nurse by Monday, September 16, 2024. If immunizations are not submitted to the school by this date, the student will be required to stay home until proof of vaccination or appointment is confirmed.
- Please email any questions or concerns to the school nurse at nurse@mssladeschool.com.

Pink Emergency Forms

- Please be sure to return completed pink emergency forms to your child's homeroom teacher as soon as possible.
- Be aware that there is a back to the form which includes any medical conditions or medications that your child is taking. If any changes arise during the school year, you are required to update the form.
- This signed form authorizes EMS to take your child to the hospital in case of an emergency, and will be able to provide information regarding allergies and medications. In addition, this form allows the school to have the most up to date contact information for parents/guardians and other emergency contacts.
- Please be sure to sign and date the bottom of the first page of this form. Food Allergies
- If your child has a food allergy, please make every effort to bring in emergency medication (epinephrine/antihistamine) and a completed FARE form for your child.
- All medications must be dropped off by a parent or guardian and be accompanied by a medication administration form which can be found on the Slade website under the forms & documents link on the parent resources list. Student Medical Information
- If your child has a medical condition that impacts their daily life, please alert the school nurse so it can be documented and resources or accommodations can be utilized during the school day.

Edu-Care Corner

Pre-K2, Pre-K3 and Extended Care



Extended Care families received a welcome email earlier this week. If you believe your child is signed up for extended care and you did not receive the welcome email, please reach out to Suzanne Peters at s.peters@mssladeschool.com.

All students enrolled in Pre-K 2, Pre-K 3, Pre-K 4, and extended care must have a completed MSDE emergency form, MSDE health inventory, blood lead test screening, immunization record, and applicable medication administration form on file by the start of school. These forms can be found on our website at <https://www.mssladeschool.com/resources/forms-documents>.

Please note that the health inventory form does not need to be completed every year. The only forms that need to be updated regularly are the immunization form and any medication administration forms.

Your student's forms can either be up-loaded to the parent portal, emailed to Suzanne Peters at s.peters@mssladeschool.com, or turned in on

HASA Happenings:

Get Involved with HASA!

The Home and School Association (HASA) is looking for volunteers to help chair wonderful and memorable events for our Slade community. Volunteering at your child's school has shown to create a positive and engaging atmosphere as well as building lasting connections with staff and other families.

Looking towards the new school year, we have several events planned, including a few family favorites. **We are looking for individuals to chair and/or co-chair the following events or committees: Student Snack Sale, Halloween Trunk or Treat, Fall fest/ Homecoming and Christmas at Slade.**

Please note: HASA Executive Board members are more than happy to work with volunteers to help brainstorm ideas, get organized, etc.

If you have questions and/or are interested in chairing an event, please email HASA@mssladeschool.com.

SAVE THE DATE! Parents Happy Hour Event!

Slade Parents Happy Hour, Friday, September 27, 2024. Save the date and secure the babysitter now! Enjoy a night out socializing with fellow Slade parents. More information to come as we secure a location. Thanks!



Sports Section:



Basketball registration is NOW OPEN!!!

Slade Athletics offers a basketball program open to everyone. You do not have to attend Monsignor Slade to play in our sports programs.

Slade Basketball offers two programs. Our in-house program and County.

Clinic: PreK4 and Kindergarten. Learn the basics of basketball. This is an in-house program held on Saturday mornings.

Intramural: 1st and 2nd, and new to the sport 3rd graders. Intramural basketball is an in-house program offered on Saturdays between 9am-1pm.

County: experienced 3rd graders-8th grade. Slade County basketball participates in the Anne Arundel County youth Basketball program. Games are played in schools throughout Anne Arundel County.

Competitive Basketball: <https://sladesports.sportngin.com/register/form/080187568>

Clinic/Intramural Basketball: <https://sladesports.sportngin.com/register/form/507602119>

Basketball Parent Volunteers: <https://sladesports.sportngin.com/register/form/325112644>

Cheerleading registration is now open!!

Cheerleading: <https://sladesports.sportngin.com/register/form/098725801>

Cheerleading Parent Volunteers: <https://sladesports.sportngin.com/register/form/471981024>

Slade Athletics NEEDS Volunteers!!!

We need to fill the following positions to continue to offer the programs this school year:

- Clinic/Intramural Basketball Commissioner
- Secretary
- Assistant Soccer Commissioner

Please email SladeACpresident@gmail.com for more information. All positions receive full service hours each year.

MSCS Arrival & Dismissal Procedures

Morning Drop-off Procedure

REMINDER: Students are not supervised prior to 7:35 a.m., unless they are enrolled in our Extended Care Program. This simply means that all students, unless a morning safety, are to remain in cars until the staff reports to traffic duty at 7:35 a.m.

If you use the armory entrance:

1. Extended Care Drop-Off (7:00 a.m. to 7:35 a.m.)

Those parents dropping their children off at Slade's Extended Care are strongly encouraged to use the "Armory Entrance" each morning. There are a few parking spaces designated for this purpose alongside the cafeteria; however, if you should find these spaces completely in-use, you are asked to park along the tree line on the right side of the driveway next to the Armory and walk your child down to the cafeteria to sign in.

If you arrive after 7:35 a.m., you will need to proceed through the regular drop-off line, park your vehicle as directed on the parking lot diagram and then proceed into the building.

2. Drive & Drop-Off

If using the Pascal Center entrance, proceed to the driveway where parents will be directed into one of the three available lanes. The third lane is for students in grades Pre-K4-1st grade and any siblings/riders they may have in the vehicle. The first and second lanes are for any cars containing only 2nd-8th grade students. Follow the blue lane markings, as well as the directions of the staff on duty. Do not stop if there is room to advance in the lane. This will allow for a smoother flow of traffic and prevent back-ups in the driveway.

All students in the first three lanes should exit their vehicles on the right once the traffic is stopped by staff or student safeties on duty. They should follow the yellow lines to the yellow cones in the nearest 'Student Safety Zone'. Please be vigilant and watch for students crossing any traffic lane. Please remain in your car. There are staff and student safeties on post to assist children in Pre-K4-1st grades. All students should be prepared (coats on, book bags in hand, etc.) to exit the vehicle once it comes to a complete stop.

The Armory entrance is available for cars containing students only in grades 2-8 students. Parents should proceed past the cafeteria and follow the orange cones slightly to the left and into the fourth available lane. All students in the Armory entrance lane should exit their vehicles on the left once traffic is stopped by staff or student safeties on duty. Students should follow the yellow line to the yellow cone in the nearest 'Student Safety Zone'. Again, be vigilant and watch for students crossing any traffic lane. Active supervision of students by staff on the parking lot ends by 8:00 a.m. If parents arrive after supervisory staff has left the parking lot, they must park and walk their student to the carport door.

If you use the Pascal Senior Center entrance:

Parents entering the school property using this entrance will need to follow one of the following options when dropping off students:

1. Edu-Care Parents

Upon entering the school property, please turn right into the Edu-Care parking area (the area just after the 1st STOP sign). When ready to leave, you must rejoin the incoming flow of traffic by turning right at the stop sign closest to the Edu-Care learning cottages. A teacher is posted in this area to facilitate this merger. Once you have rejoined the line of traffic, please follow the directions of the teacher on duty and proceed through the traffic pattern and exit our parking lot.

2. Extended Care Parents

Before 7:35 am, parents may park and walk their child(ren) down the steps to the cafeteria and sign in their child(ren). After 7:35 am, the children are to be dropped off through the main parking lot. Children should use the Student Safety Zones and proceed to the school entrance.

The children are to report to their classrooms.

3. Drive & Drop-Off Parents

These parents proceed past the Edu-Care learning cottages and are directed by a teacher into one of the three designated 'Drive & Drop-Off' lanes. Follow the directions of the student safeties and teachers on duty. All students are to exit their vehicle as directed by those on duty and proceed down the yellow lines in the 'Student Safety Zone' and await permission to cross safely.

For the safety of everyone, do not let your child out of the vehicle prior to the designated drop-off area to 'cut across' or walk along the faculty parking area.

Please remain in your car at all times. There are student safeties on post to assist your child with his/ her coat, book bag, musical instrument, lunch, etc. All students should be prepared (coats on, book bags in hand, etc.) to exit the vehicle once it comes to a complete stop.

Please be patient while waiting for the cars in front of you to finish unloading. For the safety of our students, please do not pass a stopped vehicle for any reason.

Afternoon Parking/Dismissal Procedure

Parents are reminded that the following procedures are designed with the safety of all in mind. Therefore, please be diligent in following these guidelines, as you are a role model for your children. (NOTE: Parents are not allowed to park in the Parish Center parking area, the Edu-Care lot or the Armory parking lot during Slade dismissal.)

A. Armory Entrance

All parents entering the parking lot from this entrance should proceed up the driveway and wait behind the cones. Once student safeties have removed the cones, parents may park in the first row closest to the Armory. Once parents have their child(ren), they are to proceed to the back of the parking lot where the late pick-up line forms along the fence.

B. Pascal Center Entrance

All parents entering the parking lot from this entrance should proceed past the Edu-Care Center parking area, up along the 'front aisle' (area between the faculty parking area and the parent parking area), turning left down either a single-child car-rider (three rows nearest the Armory) or a multiple-child car rider aisle (three rows nearest the playground).

Please remember that vehicles are to park facing the playground end of the lot. Each parking aisle has been designed for two-way traffic. We also ask that you, out of courtesy to your fellow Monsignor Slade Catholic School parents, park between the designated lines for the spaces. Do not straddle two parking spaces. There are plenty of spaces along the back row if your vehicle needs additional room. Also, larger vehicles such as full sized vans or trucks may park at the end of the rows where you will obviously have more room.

C. Pets

As children or adults may be allergic to or fearful of certain animals, as well as the risk of diseases, bites, or injuries, no animals are allowed to be outside of the vehicle while on the Monsignor Slade Catholic School campus.

Parking Directions for All Parents (Singles and Multiples)

Please do not arrive before 2:00 p.m. for dismissal as students may still be using the blacktop area for recess or PE classes.

The first three parking areas closest to the Armory are for single-child car-riders only (cars containing one Monsignor Slade student). These areas are labeled Section "A" on the dismissal diagram. If all of these spaces are filled, you will need to park in one of the Section "B" areas, but be aware that you will be dismissed by the teacher on traffic duty with those cars in Section "B".

Triple parking is allowed in the first row/section of "singles only" (section closest to the Armory) rather than the 'double parking' allowed in all other rows. Please be advised that if parking in this area, you agree to be ready to leave on time when it is your turn. Should you miss your turn, you will be required to wait to leave until the very end of the dismissal process.

All perimeter parking, including by the cafeteria, is overflow parking. All overflow parking will be dismissed after the main parking lot of singles and multiples is dismissed. Overflow will be dismissed in clockwise order beginning by the playground. Late arrivals will follow overflow parking.

The next three parking areas are for multiple-child car-riders (cars containing two or more Monsignor Slade Catholic School students). These areas are labeled Section "B" on the dismissal diagram.

Please refrain from parking in the "reserved" parking spaces on the parking lot, unless you are the authorized user of such space for the school year. There are two reserved spaces in the 'singles' and two spaces in the 'multiples' sections of the parking lot.

Once dismissal of students from the building has begun, all traffic will be stopped until such time as it is deemed safe to resume parking cars. If your car should be held in a "waiting area", please be patient. Do not leave your vehicle to go meet your children. There are procedures in place to keep all students with a teacher until parents can park and pick them up.

All parents of children in grades Pre-K4-3rd must walk to meet your child/ren. Please stand and wait for your child/ren in the designated pick up area. Do not wait up near the carport entrance or the faculty parking area, as the children need clear passages from the school in order to dismiss in a timely fashion.

Students and parents should report to their cars immediately to enable the staff on dismissal duty to begin moving vehicles off the lot. No cars are to move until directed to do so.

Once traffic has begun to move, parents and students may cross to their cars only after being signaled by staff or safety on duty to do so.

Staff on duty will indicate when cars are to begin to move out of the parking area as well as which direction they are to move. Please wait until you are directed to move by the staff.

If a child is normally a single-child car-rider, but will have other Monsignor Slade Catholic School students riding home with him/her on any given day, the parent MUST park their vehicle in the multiple child parking section (Section "B"). This child should also come out with the multiple-child car-riders.

The reverse of this is true for a child who is normally a multiple-child car rider, but who will be a single child car-rider on any given day.

Overflow Parking, Late Arrivals and Parents Arriving for After-School Appointments

Once dismissal of students from the building has begun, all traffic flow onto the parking lot will be halted. Parents are asked to remain in their vehicles patiently until the "lates" are given the "go ahead" by the safety or teacher on duty to proceed into a parking space. Please note: Teachers will remain on duty watching over any (Pre-K4-8) student whose parent may be in the "late line."

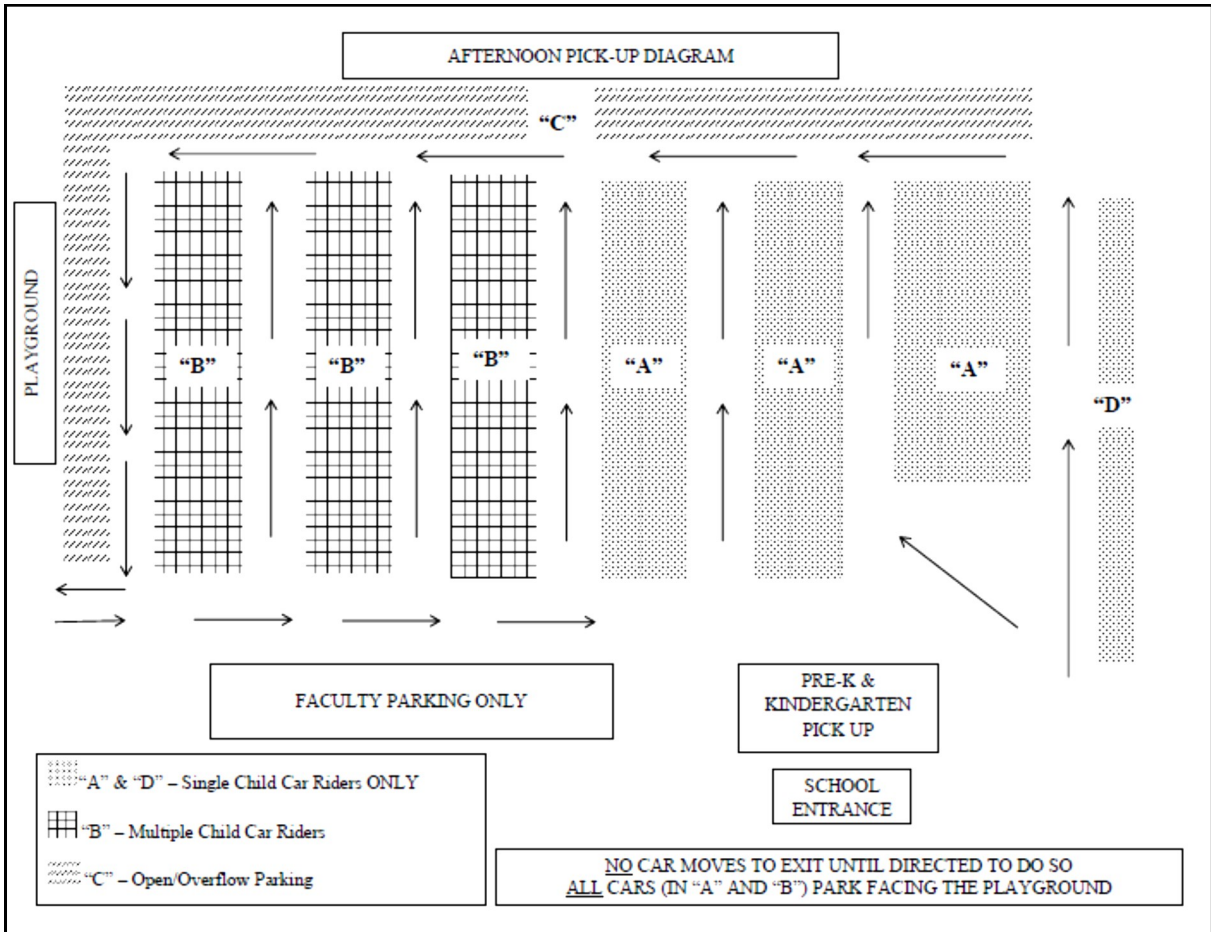
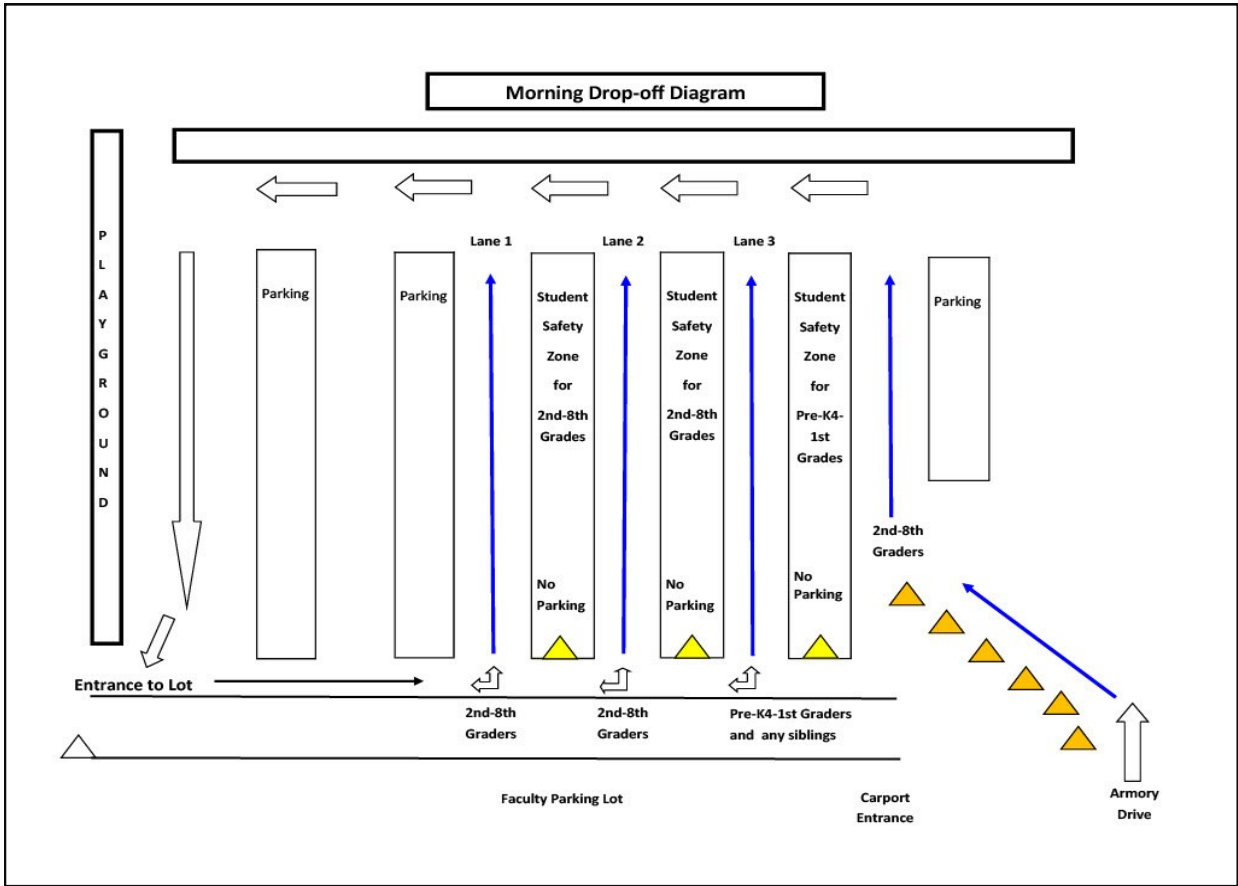
The driver of any students in grades Pre-K4-K is responsible to walk to the square pick up area, which is indicated on the afternoon pick-up diagram.

Parents picking up their child/ren from the Extended-Care Program during regular dismissal time will not be allowed to drive through the parking lot after picking up their child. These parents will be directed to line up and wait for their turn to exit the parking lot.

Any parent picking up a student for an appointment (doctor, dental, etc.) must do so prior to 2:15 p.m. Otherwise, you will be dismissed from the parking lot in the usual time schedule.

Walkers

Students living in the local area are allowed to walk home each day. No student will be permitted to leave school as a walker unless his/her parent has filled out a permission form issued by the office. A teacher and a crossing guard assist the children in crossing Dorsey Road. The students are to follow all safety rules in walking home.



MONSIGNOR SLADE LUNCH PROGRAM

Heaven Sent Catering School Lunch Program: We are excited to once again be offering an on-site lunch program for the 2024-2025 school year. Please refer to last page for ordering information.

Below is the “Daily Menu” of items that may be purchased for lunch, along with the menu for the week of August 26 – 30, with the featured "Daily Special" entrée.

Heaven Sent Catering llc

Monsignor Slade Catholic School



Daily Menu

Entrée

Daily Special \$7.00

(unless noted otherwise)

Chicken Tenders (3) \$4.50

Chicken Nuggets (8) \$4.75 - Chicken Nuggets (5) \$3.75

Hamburger \$3.25

Cheese Burger \$4.00

Bacon Cheeseburger \$4.50

Sandwich or Wrap \$5.25

Entrée Salads \$5.25

Side

Fries \$3.00

Pretzel \$2.75

Side Salad \$3.00

Bag of Chips \$1.25

Cookies (2) or Brownie \$2.50

Fresh Fruit \$1.00 - \$2.00

Beverages

Bottled Water 8oz \$1.00 - 16.9 oz \$1.50

Milk - 8oz \$1.75 - 16 oz \$2.75

Fruit Punch 16oz \$2.75

Lemonade 8oz \$1.75- 16oz \$2.75



***It's recommended that you order online for gluten-free options, particular sandwiches, entrée, salads, and side dishes desired.**

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Welcome Back

WEEKLY SPECIAL

AUGUST 26- 30, 2024

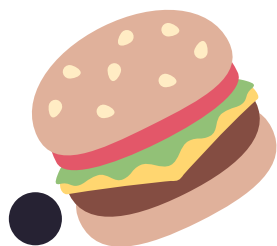
MONDAY- NO LUNCH

**TUESDAY - SPAGHETTI WITH MEAT SAUCE
& GARLIC BREAD**

**WEDNESDAY- DOUBLE BACON
CHEESEBURGER WITH FRIES \$8.50**

THURSDAY- CHICKEN & WAFFLE

FRIDAY - PIZZA DAY





HEAVEN SENT CATERING LLC.

“A Taste Above the Rest”

Getting Started with Heaven Sent Catering’s Online Ordering System

Welcome to Heaven Sent Catering LLC.'s lunch ordering site. We hope you will find ordering lunches to be easy and intuitive. You will find below step-by-step instructions for getting started.

Start by logging in to: <https://heavensentcateringllc.h1.hotlunchonline.net/>. Next, click on the *Student* tab (top left), then click on *Create a new Student*. Select your School. Select your Student's Grade from the dropdown box. Enter their first name and last name and click *Submit*. Your student account has been created.

For families with multiple students, please repeat the above process for each child.

To order lunches, click on the *Order* tab (top left). Make your selections by clicking on the Entrée name, reviewing the meal description, and then clicking *Add to Cart*. The Entrée you selected will turn green, indicating it is in your cart. You may also click *Add All Similar* to add all similar items to your cart.

Families with multiple students may order for each student by highlighting each name. The names are listed on the upper left hand side of the screen. You may order and pay for all students at once. You do not need to log in and out for each student.

Once you have made your selections and are happy with your order, it's time to pay. Click on the *Checkout* button, in the bottom right hand corner of your screen. The next screen to appear will show you a summary of which lunches you bought and for whom. When you have reviewed your order and are satisfied, click *Pay Now*. If you review your order and see a change you would like to make, click *Make Changes*.

After you click *Pay Now*, you will be sent to a secure checkout page, where you will finish your transaction by entering your credit card information.

You will want to make sure you have your correct email address on file. In the event that you forget your Hot Lunch Account password, your email address is used to ensure your identity in the password resetting process. We do not store a human readable version of your password in our system, so please do not contact Heaven Sent Catering LLC. to retrieve your password. Instead, use the "Forgot my Password" link on the sign in page.

Thank you for ordering lunches with Heaven Sent Catering LLC. Please contact us if you have any questions regarding use of the program.

Technical Questions: 1-866-529-2064 (toll free) or support@hotlunchonline.com

Food and Menu Questions: 443-527-5566 or jford@heavensentcaters.com



Calling all Volunteers!!!



Monsignor Slade Catholic School is looking for volunteers to help Chair events sponsored by the Home and School Association (HASA)

Events Include:

Halloween Trunk or Treat, FallFest/Homecoming, Christmas at Slade, Student Snack Sale, Lent Spaghetti Dinner, RaiseRight Coordinator and more.

Chairperson(s) earn their full 12 hours of service.

These events can only happen with the help of volunteers. Please consider volunteering to make our events great for the school community.

For more information, please email HASA@mssladeschool.com



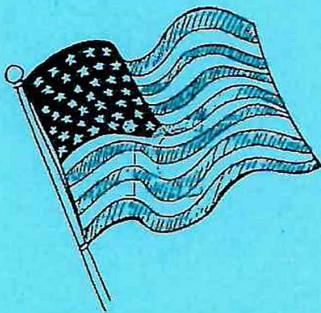
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The Twenty-Third Annual
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HARVEST
Non-perishable Food Drive

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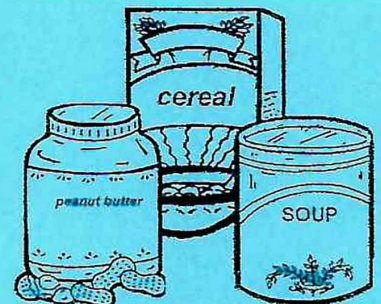
September 13th, 2024

In Honor of the Victims and Heroes of
September 11th, 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.

Sponsored by: HAPPY HELPERS FOR THE HOMELESS
Call (443) 433-2416 to participate or for more information.

