

Scrip Program at Trinity Christian Academy

Why should I consider using the Scrip program? Because you can apply the savings you “earn” towards your student’s tuition when you shop/spend money at many of the places you already frequent!

What is the Scrip program? The Scrip program is a fundraiser that has a direct impact on your child(ren)’s tuition! When you participate in the Scrip program, you purchase gift cards for businesses where you shop at BEFORE you make your purchases and then “earn” a savings that is applied to your tuition. For example, if you do your grocery shopping at Wal-Mart, you would order/purchase the Wal-Mart gift card before you went shopping (depending upon which Scrip program you choose, it could be as long as a week prior to just minutes before you check out). Then you would use the gift card at Wal-Mart for your purchases. It’s that easy!

Getting Started with Scrip:

To enroll with ShopWithScrip go to: www.shopwithscrip.com to create a family account.

The enrollment code for Trinity Christian Academy is **D4236E497347**.

You will need to establish a user name and password. (You will need to remember the user name & password each time you log on.) Additional information you will be asked includes identifying your student(s) last name. (There is no need to specify your child’s teacher.)

Scrip Options:

Physical gift cards with ShopWithScrip: We are evaluating how frequently we will be placing orders for physical gift cards. Please contact Liesl Higgins if you are interested in this option. In general, physical gift cards will take 3-5 business days to process and ship to the school. Liesl Higgins will coordinate distribution of the order.

Printing or Reloading gift cards with ScripNow or Reload: These options exist through the ShopWithScrip program. Some retailers allow for the gift cards to be printed off at your home and used right away (ScripNow). Or previously purchased gift cards through the Scrip program can be reloaded (Reload), instead of purchasing a new card every time. Both are great options for using your Scrip cards quicker and easier.

Using a smart phone with MyScripWallet: Use your smart phone (Apple or Android) instead of an actual gift card to purchase ScripNow and Reloads. Redeem right from your device and “earn” savings on the go! To utilize this option, you will need to have an account with ShopWithScrip and PrestoPay. Once you have established those accounts, use the web browser on your phone and enter: MyScripWallet.com. Once there, select “add to home screen” to access the site just as you would to open an app. (Please note that this is NOT an app and it is solely supported by your phone’s web browser.) You are now ready to shop and save on the go!

Using your checking account to pay for all Scrip purchases with PrestoPay: This service enables you to pay for your gift cards online (for both ShopWithScrip and/or MyScripWallet) with your checking account/debit card. There is a small convenience fee (\$.15) per order for processing fees.

To enroll with PrestoPay: First you will need to establish a ShopWithScrip account. Once you are signed in on ShopWithScrip, go to the Dashboard and click on the “Family Functions” tab. Then click on “PrestoPay.” Once you are there, you will be asked to provide the bank account and routing number to the checking account you want to use. It will take 1-2 business days for PrestoPay to make two small deposits (less than \$.50 each) into your account. (It will show up as either Great Lakes Scrip/GLS or PrestoPay.) You will want to monitor your checking account for these deposits. Once you see those deposits in your checking account, return to the PrestoPay page (log on to ShopWithScrip, Dashboard, Family Functions, PrestoPay). There you will be asked to enter the two deposit amounts. After entering those amounts, there will be a 4-digit verification code that you **MUST SEND TO** the Scrip Coordinator. That code must be entered by the Scrip Coordinator in order to activate your account. Once you have shared this code with the Scrip Coordinator, you don’t need to do another thing with it. However, **you will need to establish a**

new 4-digit code that you will use each time you place a Scrip order. Once you have established this code, you are ready to begin using any of the Scrip options!

Earn 9% (8% after charges) by grocery shopping at Miller's (formerly Gardner's) in Norwalk: At Miller's, purchase their store gift card (at the customer service desk) using cash, check or credit/debit card. Use their store gift card when making your purchases and refill it as needed! Additionally, your family and friends can purchase these cards and designate their savings to you! For example, if your weekly grocery bill is \$100 you earn \$9. If you spend \$400 a month on groceries, you earn \$36 a month. If you spent \$400 a month on groceries for just nine months you would earn \$324! That's almost one month's tuition for one child. Now imagine that you have family or friends who spend that same monthly amount at either of these stores. Would those earnings make a difference in your budget?

When do we receive these savings? Your savings will be applied to your child's tuition account at least once a year. Families who pay their tuition in full at the beginning of the school year and who participate in the Scrip program will accrue their savings and be eligible to apply them at the beginning of the following school year. (This method of applying the Scrip savings for paid-in-full tuition families is upon the strong recommendation of our school accountant.) Families who make monthly tuition payments and who participate in the Scrip program will accrue their savings and will be given the opportunity to apply them mid-year during the current school year.

Orders: Orders cannot be changed or deleted after they have been submitted and payment processed. The order will be debited or charged the same day you submit the order. Gift cards cannot be returned.

Charges: TCA uses 1% of the savings earned through local Scrip usage (Miller's & Schild's) as well as online purchases to pay for charges associated with running this fundraiser.

Non-Sufficient Funds: If your check bounces you will be charged for the order and \$30 fee payable to Trinity Christian Academy. After two Non-Sufficient Funds (NSF) checks, your Scrip ordering privileges will be limited to money order only.

Miscellaneous: Scrip gift cards are the same as cash and should be handled appropriately. TCA will not be responsible for lost, stolen or misplaced gift cards while in your possession. Any funds not used by your family or not designated by your family and friends to be directed to your family name will go to the TCA General Fund.

Who can participate in the TCA Scrip program? ANYONE! In addition to your family, you can also ask extended family and friends to participate in this program and designate their savings to you. They receive the gift cards at cost and you receive their savings!

When can I begin using the Scrip program? You can begin right away! All ShopWithScrip orders (physical gift cards) need to be placed online before Fridays at 3:15 pm. With ScripNow you can place your order online, print the receipt and use almost immediately. With MyScripWallet you can order and use almost immediately from your smart phone.

Will there be ShopWithScrip orders placed during the summer months? Yes! Please contact one of the coordinators to let them know that you are interested in shopping and saving while school is out!

I have questions! Help? Contact Amy Jordan (440-822-9380 or a2zjordan07@hotmail.com) or Jackie White (419-706-8566 or jackiewhite401@gmail.com) to get started and/or to get your questions answered!

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