

TRAVERSE CITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL SCRIP PROGRAM

Why should I participate in the Scrip Program?

IT'S EASY! A percentage of your purchases are applied to your family's TCCS tuition/school fees.

What is the Scrip Program?

The Scrip Program allows you to purchase gift certificates to shop at various stores throughout the area and online. They spend just like cash (though no actual change is given). Certificates are purchased through TCCS from Great Lakes Scrip Center. TCCS retains 1% of the discounted rate for organizational costs and the rest of the participant's discount rate is applied to your family's tuition.

Example: The Doe family places an order for a \$25 Border's certificate. Border's offers a 9% discount on their certificates. The Doe's will write a check for \$25 to TCCS. TCCS will purchase the Border's certificate through the Scrip Program for \$22.75. A \$2.00 tuition reduction credit will be placed in the Doe's account and TCCS will obtain the \$.25 difference for handling/shipping expenses. The Doe's will receive a Border's certificate for \$25.

How do I order the Scrip certificates?

The merchant/retailer's lists and order forms are located on the wall by the school office or you can find them on the school's website under "Current Family Resources – Forms." All orders must be accompanied by a personal check or money order made out to TCCS (prefer no cash) and given to the office staff. Orders will be placed on Monday and can be picked up on Thursday afternoon of same week.

Who is eligible to participate in the Scrip Program?

Anyone can participate! This is a voluntary program but it can help in reducing your child's tuition. The idea is simple. The more you use the program, the more you will save. Involve grandparents, aunts, uncles, neighbors, church members, etc. They would just need to specify the family who is to receive the benefit on their order form.

What are the policies?

1. Orders will be placed on Wednesday mornings at 9am. They will be ready for pick up anytime in the school's office on Friday of the same week at the end of school.
2. When using your Scrip money, do not expect change in the form of cash when redeeming the Scrip certificates/cards.
3. **You cannot use Scrip cards to pay on a store's credit card/account, EXCEPT for Kohl's.** However, Kohl's account payments MUST be made in person at the store! DO NOT mail the cards in with your monthly payment. It won't be accepted and you will not get it back.
4. Periodically, retailers will change the format for use of their cards/certificates. You will be made aware of any changes as we know them.
5. In April 2012, you will receive a letter showing the amount accrued throughout the year through the Scrip program. At that time, you will be able to designate how you want those monies allocated (tuition, re-enrollment fees, etc).

If you have any questions, please email Melanie Clymer at scrip@tcsabres.org.