

St. John School Guide to Scrip 2009-2010

WELCOME

We are making some big changes for the 2009-2010 school year with regard to the St. John School Scrip program. This guide provides information about the program and how you and your family can participate in the program.

WHAT IS SCRIP?

Scrip is gift certificates or gift cards that are purchased by school families. Another form of scrip is rebates that the school receives from stores and credit cards purchases. Each time scrip is purchased by a family, St. John School receives a percentage of the purchase price.

Scrip contributes thousands of dollars and is one of the most significant fundraising methods used to hold tuition and other school operating costs down. All funds raised from the Scrip Program go directly toward the school's operating expenses.

Participating in the program costs each family ZERO. The St. John School Scrip Program is based on a simple concept: You don't have to purchase anything that you wouldn't normally buy. In other words, you can support our school with your everyday purchases.

The amount of money earned for our school varies between stores and vendors. For example, \$300 in monthly grocery purchases will earn the following rebates for our school:

Von's	4% rebate = \$12
Albertsons	4% rebate = \$12
Ralph's	4% rebate = \$12
Cardiff Seaside Market	3% rebate = \$11
Stater Brothers	6% rebate = \$18

We ask that you purchase scrip at the school office, renew your Vons and Ralphs cards, purchase scrip each month using the special order forms available in the office and on the St. John School website, register your Albertson's card and participate in the Dinner Nights Out and the Barnes and Noble book sales. Look for information and links on the St. John website, www.saintjohnschool.com and click on "Scrip."

HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK?

This year, you can order Scrip every two weeks, and you will receive your cards one week after the order is placed. Enclosed in this packet is a calendar for 2009-2010 showing the order deadlines and the delivery dates, along with seasonal suggestions for ordering. Simply review the order form (see one enclosed in this packet) and select the cards you wish to purchase. Include a check and return the form to the school office or to the classroom scrip volunteer (there will be one parent for each grade who will assist the Scrip Committee with communications, collecting orders and checks and distributing cards when they come in.

One significant change this year is that you may use your VISA or Mastercard to charge your scrip orders. Simply see Mary or Judy in the office to run your card, or fill out your credit card information on the order form and they will run your card information once you turn in your order form. PLEASE NOTE: We cannot use American Express cards, and the minimum order you must place to use your VISA or Mastercard is \$100.

If you are writing a check, please make the check payable to "St. John School."

When you purchase scrip from the school office or pick up your scrip after placing an order, you will be asked to count your scrip and sign a receipt to signify that your order is correct and complete. If you wish

for your child to pick up your scrip for you, you must send a note to the office indicating that your child has permission to pick up your scrip.

REGISTERING YOUR RALPHS, VONS, ALBERTSON'S/Sav-On, VISA, MASTERCARD, AMERICAN EXPRESS or MACY'S card

To register your Ralph's card:

Go to www.ralphs.com. Click on "Community Contribution." Under Participant, click on "Sign Up." St. John's Organization (NPO) number is **83169**.

You will need to enter your club card number, name, address, phone and e-mail. If you don't know your club card number, call the Club Hotline at 800-660-9003, Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. Pacific Time

To register your Von's, VISA, Mastercard, American Express or Macy's card:

Fill out the enclosed form entitled "Make a difference today!" and return it to the school office. Members of the Scrip committee will enter your information on the e-Scrip website and register your cards.

To register your Albertsons'/Sav-on card:

Go to www.albertsons.com. You will need your Preferred Savings Card number, your phone number and the St. John Community Partner ID number **49000105027**. Click on "in the community," click on the "Community Partners" logo link and then register your Preferred Savings Card. You must always scan your Preferred Savings Card when making a purchase at Albertson's or Sav-On.

Don't know your Preferred Savings card number? Call 877-932-7948.

Our goal is to make scrip fundraising as easy and simple as possible. We appreciate your participation and thank you for your time and commitment. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Scrip Committee.

Thank you.

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