Examples of ways to reduce your tuition with scrip:

**Shopping for your groceries.** Weis Market offers 5 percent. Spending \$200 monthly on groceries gives you a credit of \$120 for the year.

If your child's **grandparents** shop at Walmart weekly, they could easily spend \$200/month. That means you could have \$60 credit for the year. (Walmart offers 2.5 percent.)

Aunts and Uncles can help too. Olive Garden and Red Lobster offer 9 percent. If they eat out just once a month spending approximately \$25, that would give you \$27 for the year.

You can even earn money while on vacation. Hyatt Hotels offer 9 percent. A 5-night stay would cost approximately \$500. That's a \$45 credit to your account.

Your **neighbor** can even help by buying gas. The average car uses about 600 gallons per year. Even at \$3 per gallon, that's \$1800. Sheetz offers 3 percent, which gives you \$54 toward tuition.

Have a **home-improvement** project coming up? Lowes offers 4 percent. A purchase of \$300 credits your account with \$12.

The possibilities are endless and you are not asking others to buy something they don't need, but instead to remember you with their everyday purchases. This will take some planning ahead, but the benefits will be worth the effort.

### Tell a friend

For each student you refer, your account will be credited for \$250 after he/she has attended for a year.



#### Scrip - Gift Cards

Buy scrip through the school to stores, restaurants, travel services - the purchases you normally make every day. There is an extensive list of retailers offering varying percentages. These profits go directly into your tuition account. Involve friends, family, neighbors, church family, etc.



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# TRIP

### Tuition Reduction Incentive Program



#### How would you like to reduce tuition for your child's Christian education?

The purpose of TRIP is to give families the opportunity to raise money and reduce their tuition costs. Each family can put as much time and energy as their resources allow to reduce their tuition costs.

As much as we would like to keep tuition costs low, the fact remains that the cost of educating a child continues to grow.

Financing tuition aid for our school is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain. To assist you, we have found ways for each family to decrease their own tuition by referring students, and implementing the scrip program. This will allow us to strive toward utilizing Serve-a-thon and/or auction proceeds to further our education excellence in the future.

Applications will still be available to eligible families from outside sources such as KCEA, Bridge, and Pennsylvania Family Choice. (These programs are based on income.)

### FAQs - Scrip

How do I get started? 1) Register for the program. 2) Begin recruiting friends and family. 3) Purchase gift cards.

#### What is scrip?

Scrip is a term that means "substitute money". When you purchase scrip, you are purchasing gift cards that are used just like cash.

#### How/when do I buy scrip?

We will place a bulk order to Great Lakes Scrip Center weekly. Order forms will be available and must be returned to the school office along with your payment by 8:15 a.m. Mondays.

## How long does it take for the cards to arrive?

Scrip gift cards usually arrive in our office on Wednesday or Thursday afternoons.

How do I know what retailers offer scrip? A list of participating retailers and their profit percentage is available on the scrip website.

When will my tuition account be credited? Funds will be credited yearly from money raised during the previous school year.

#### What percent of the raised funds will go toward my tuition? 100 % - all profits you earn from the designated fundraiser and the scrip gift cards will be applied to your tuition account.

How is my tuition account credited if my friends/family purchase gift cards? Your friends/family will order through you. Please consolidate your orders on one form. Then you distribute the cards to them once they arrive.

## What happens if my child withdraws from WSCS?

Funds are non-transferable and applicable only while your child remains enrolled. If for some unforeseen reason you withdraw your child, all funds will be retained and credited to the WSCS general budget.

For more information about scrip visit:

www.shopwithscrip.com

