

# FCM Scrip Program

## The FCM Scrip Program

**What:** Full value gift cards

**Where:** Use in stores and online

**How:** Set up your account with Scrip and PrestoPay and order (*details below*)

**When:** About every 2 weeks

**Why:** To earn money for your school



## What is Scrip?

Scrip cards are full value gift cards for all sorts of brick-and-mortar and online retailers. You pay for and receive face value for a gift card. Because FCM PTSA participates in a Scrip program with many other nonprofits, the cards are purchased in bulk. FCM receives a discount on the cards and applies the discount toward purchases that the PTSA deems appropriate. Over the last two years, the Scrip program has raised enough money to purchase three laptops for our teachers!

First chance to place your Scrip order is now!

## Special Bonus

Gap and affiliate companies are offering 11% rebate to organizations until October 2nd! When you purchase a \$100 Gap (or Gap affiliate) card, FCM receives \$11.

## Ordering

Your account is easy to set up but will take 2 business days to verify. You can place an order any time. The orders will be submitted every two weeks (see below), and cards usually arrive in just under a week. You can pick your cards up in the office or sign a form (see Pattie) if you'd like the cards sent home in your child's communication folder.

## How to Register (so that you can order online)

1. Visit <http://www.shopwithscrip.com>
2. Go to the green 'Family Sign Up' box on the left side and click 'Create Account'
3. Enter your e-mail address
4. Create and confirm password (has to be at least 6 characters)
5. Enter your name, gender, and birth year (address is optional)
6. Read terms of service and privacy policy and click "I Accept"
7. Site will prompt you to join an organization
8. Enter enrollment code **F22BC84L15536** (case sensitive)
9. Click "Join"
10. You are now registered to order Scrip online!

## How to Set Up PrestoPay (to pay online instead of submitting a check)

- After registering, you will be prompted to create a PrestoPay account to enable online payment.
- You will need to enter your bank account information (bank name, account name [eg, Catherine's checking account], routing number, and account number).
- At this point, the process is paused for ~2 days during which time Great Lakes Scrip Center verifies your account and makes two small deposits (e.g., \$0.12 and \$0.07).
- Once you notice that the deposits have been made, log into your scrip account and enter the deposit amounts to complete the set up of your Presto Pay account.
- You are now ready to order and pay for your Scrip online!

### **Placing Orders**

- Select organization from the drop-down list: "Follow the Child" and click "Next"
- Select the category of the retailer or use the *Express Add* function (where you start typing the name of the store and choices are populated) or Browse the list of possible vendors. You may also print the entire list of retailers alphabetically or by category by clicking on "*Print a List*" in the bottom right corner of the Order Scrip page)
- Choose the retailer you want
- Select the quantity of Scrip you would like from the retailer and click "Add to Cart"
- Continue until you have completed ordering from all the Scrip retailers you want

### **Check Out**

- Click on the Checkout box at the top of any page
- Click "*Confirm*" to confirm your order amount
- Payment amount is listed on the final order confirmation. Select Presto Pay as the method of payment. A \$0.39 processing fee will be added to your entire order.

### **Retailers**

Visit <http://www.shopwithscrip.com> for the complete list of retailers. It's likely that many of the stores and restaurants that you already use participate in the Scrip program. It takes a little bit of planning, but Scrip cards can also be a useful tool for budgeting-from eating out to those weekend trips to the hardware store to purchasing holiday and birthday gifts in advance.

### **Order Release Dates**

While you can order Scrip any time, the orders will be released about every 2 weeks to minimize the impact of shipping charges on our discount:

**September 4th, 18th;  
October 2nd, 14th, 26th;**

**November 6th, 16th, 30th;  
December 11th.**

On any of these dates, if the entire order does not cover the shipping charge, you will be notified and the order will be held until the next release date. As always, you will be notified as soon as your cards are available for pick-up.

If you are placing an urgent order that generates over \$25 for our school, let Catherine know, and she can release your order immediately and have it shipped directly to your home.

Questions?

[Contact Catherine Maher at catherinem@entremed.com.](mailto:catherinem@entremed.com)

Thank you for supporting Follow the Child!!!