

2019-2020 SCRIP Program

What is SCRIP?

SCRIP is a MANDATORY fundraising program for St. Catharine's that ALL families must participate in.

We offer a buy-out option for those who chose not to participate. Please see the last page of this packet for information regarding the buy-out.

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Please contact me with any questions!**

How does SCRIP work?

You simply purchase gift cards to any of the retailers we participate with for your everyday shopping, and you receive a percentage of the purchase of each gift card into your SCRIP account. The program is the easiest fundraiser to participate in, because all you have to do is buy gift cards for the shopping you do and you earn the school money!

How much do I have to earn?

K-8, including 5 day Pre-K must earn \$125.00

Pre-K (3 day only) must earn \$75.00

How are the percentages calculated?

Percentages vary by retailer. They are listed on the order form.

EXAMPLE: Giant Food Stores is 5%. St. Catharine's purchases a \$100 gift card from Giant for \$95. You purchase the gift card from the SCRIP program for the full \$100 face value. St. Catharine's keeps half (\$2.50), and the other half goes into your account (\$2.50 into your account).

Can I track my SCRIP account?

Yes. On the school website, there are instructions on how to create an account to track your earnings.

What if I don't make my quota?

You will pay the difference of the buy out. If you only earned \$100, rather than the required \$125, we will deduct that \$100 from the buy out cost of \$400, therefore \$300 will be added to your tuition.

What if I go over my quota?

Great! That money will come off of your tuition, in addition to the required \$125 that will also be deducted from your tuition!

Where can I buy SCRIP?

SCRIP is available at the school office, the parish center, and at all masses at the SCRIP table in the back of the church. You can also send an order into school with your child and it will be sent home that day or the following with them.

How can I pay for SCRIP?

**Cash or check made out to St. Catharine of Siena.
Credit cards are NOT accepted at this time.**

When does the program run?

June 1st-April 31st of each year.

What is Great Lakes Scrip?

Great Lakes is an additional way to purchase SCRIP. It is an online company that offers over 300 brands, including department stores, hotels, restaurants and many more. To purchase through this site, go to www.shopwithscrip.com, and create an account (contact the SCRIP coordinator for the enrollment code for our school). There is a place to add the student or family that you are buying for – so anyone can do this! Family members that live far away can easily contribute to your account by shopping this way! Once you create your account, you can set up PrestoPay, which is a secure way to pay by check online. There are a few ways to receive your cards through this site:

- 1 – You can place the order and pay through PrestoPay OR send your payment into school. Orders this way are placed every two weeks (weekly during holidays – check the website for order dates). Your order will arrive at school and will go home with your child, or you can pick it up.**
- 2 – You can order ScripNow (requires PrestoPay use). These are electronic gift cards that you can either print out from your computer, or use a supplied code for online shopping.**

3 – You can use a tool called MyScripWallet, which is designed to be used from your mobile device. It operates like an app (however, it is not downloaded from an app store). Any ScripNow purchases you make will show in your “wallet”, and the scan codes used to pay are available on it.

How are these purchases tracked?

You will always have access to your purchases on your shopwithscrip account, however, the earnings do not reflect the percentage we take for the fundraiser. If your reward shows you earned \$100, you need to divide that by 2, so your earning is actually \$50. The totals will be entered on your school SCRIP account that you set up several times throughout the year.

There are instructions on the website on how to utilize the various features of this website. If you need assistance setting up an account, please contact the SCRIP coordinator, or the school office.

The KEY to meeting and surpassing your quota, is to be consistent! Simply paying for your weekly groceries and gas will get you the earnings required. Anything above and beyond is more money off tuition and more money earned for the school – it’s a win-win!

SCRIP Program Failure to Comply Policy

Any family that does not earn the (K-8 and 5 day full day Pre-K) \$125.00 or (Pre-K 3 day) \$75.00 tuition reward will lose their tuition credit earned to date. You will also be charged the \$400.00 (K-8 and 5 day full day Pre-K) or \$200.00 (Pre-K 3 day) buy out, minus the amount of tuition credit earned to date and that amount will be added to your tuition bill for the next school year.

All financial obligations, including SCRIP, must be paid in full in order for students to receive their final report card. For eighth grade students to participate in the Graduation dinner dance and Graduation, and to receive their final report card all financial obligations, including SCRIP, must be paid in full.

Your family's choice to make the commitment to give your children a Catholic education is an important one.

The SCRIP program is in place to keep tuition down and to fund improvements at SCS. As always, if there is a financial hardship, please contact Mrs. Marcella Kraycik or Monsignor Edward Domin.

BUY OUT OPTION

In order to keep tuition at the lowest possible level, all families are asked to participate in the SCRIP Tuition Rewards Program. Any family, choosing not to participate will be asked to buy out.

The buy out is \$400.00 per family for K-8th grade, and the 5 day full day Pre-K.

The buy out is \$200 for 3 day Pre-K.

The \$400.00 or \$200 buy out will be added to your tuition bill and distributed to your chosen payment plan.

**ST. CATHARINE OF SIENA
SCHOOL 2019-2020
SCRIP Tuition Reward Program**

Student Name: _____

Family Name: _____

Email Address: _____

**Please choose one of the options below
and return this form to Mrs. Martha
D'Achille
in the school office.**

_____ YES, we are participating in the 5 Day PreK-8th
SCRIP Tuition Rewards Program. We agree to earn at
least \$125.00 tuition credit from May 1, 2019
through April 30, 2020.

OR

_____ YES, we are choosing the 5 Day PreK-8th
Program BUY OUT at \$400.00. The \$400.00 BUY
OUT will be added to your tuition bill and distributed to
your chosen payment plan.

*If we do not receive this form back we will
automatically select the BUY OUT amount for you and
that amount will be charged to your 2019-2020 tuition.*

****WIN \$500.00****

**Once you meet your \$125.00
tuition reward of SCRIP, your
family name is automatically entered
in a drawing to win
an additional \$500.00 tuition credit!**

**If you win, you may apply the \$500.00 to
your 2019/2020 school year tuition bill at
SCS. Should an eighth grader win, the
\$500.00 will be forwarded to
Berks Catholic High School for tuition
credit. Winnings are non-transferable and
are intended for those families continuing
their child/children's Catholic education at
St. Catharine of Siena School or
Berks Catholic High School**

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Student Name: _____

Family Name: _____

Email Address: _____

**Please choose one of the options below
and return this form to Mrs. Martha
D'Achille
in the school office.**

_____ **YES, we are participating in the 3 Day PreK
SCRIP Tuition Rewards Program. We agree to earn at
least \$75.00 tuition credit from May 1, 2019
through April 30, 2020.**

OR

_____ **YES, we are choosing the 3 Day PreK
Program BUY OUT at \$200.00. The \$200.00 BUY OUT
will be added to your tuition bill and distributed to your
chosen payment plan.**

*If we do not receive this form back we will
automatically select the BUY OUT amount for you and
that amount will be charged to your 2019-2020 tuition.*