

\$CRIP Program

What is \$CRIP? \$CRIP is a great way for you to earn cash back or money towards your tuition bill, lunch account, daycare account, and other misc fees. It is a fundraising program that works while you shop. \$CRIP cards can be used for just about any household purchase including clothing, entertainment, hotels, gasoline, gifts and even dining out.

How does \$CRIP work? St. Paul purchases gift cards at a discounted rate from participating retailers. Then, you purchase the cards at face value and redeem them for face value at retailers such as Target, Chili's, Kohl's, iTunes, Disney, Cheesecake Factory, Marriott, BP Gas, American Airlines, Home Depot and many more. Each retailer has set a percentage that they will donate back to the school. St. Paul has chosen to split that percentage 50/50 with the parents. The best way to take advantage of this program and earn the most money is to involve your family, friends and co-workers.

Example:

Chipotle Mexican Grill is a \$10 gift card and the rebate percentage value is 10%. You pay \$10, you get a \$10 gift card just as if you walked into the retailer and bought the gift card. The \$1.00 rebate (10%) that is given back to the school is split 50/50, \$0.50 to you and \$0.50 to the school. If it is a retailer that you frequently visit, why not use \$CRIP cards and earn money for your tuition while you shop.

How do I enroll? You can enroll at anytime. Just fill out the attached form that you agree to the program rules and guidelines and return it to the office. Once you have turned in the enrollment form, go to <u>www.shopwithscrip.com</u> and create your account. You will need to use enrollment code C1D3157114966 so that your account is linked to St. Paul Lutheran School. Once you create your account, follow the link to the user guide to help you navigate the website.

How and when do I place an order? There are several ways to place an order for gift cards.

- Scheduled Order Dates: Order dates have been pre-set by the school. Orders are about every other week but will change to every week as Christmas draws closer. You can pick up an order form from the office or place your order on-line at <u>www.shopwithscrip.com</u>. Order forms with payment must be turned into the office by 3:00 PM on the specified Monday. If ordering on-line, you have until 10:00 PM and payment is due in the office by 8:15 AM Tuesday morning. Gift cards are distributed by Friday of the same week.
- **\$CRIP-to-Go Cards:** For many of the most popular cards like Target, Walmart, Outback, Chili's, Subway, iTunes, Amazon.com, etc., we keep a stock of gift cards in the office. They are the same physical cards that you order, just more readily available. Simply fill out the \$CRIP-to-Go Order form and turn it into the office with your payment. Your order should be available by the end of the school day. Cards are available while supplies last, but are replenished often with the scheduled orders.
- **\$CRIPNow Cards:** Some retailers offer the option of receiving ecertificates straight to your email. **\$CRIPNow** cards must be ordered through your on-line account and are usually received within 30 minutes. If you pay using PrestoPay, you will receive your e-certificate directly to your email. If you pay by check, the order will need to be released by the **\$CRIP** Coordinator once your payment is received in the office.
- **Reload Cards:** Physical \$CRIP cards that have been purchased through the \$CRIP program can be reloaded through your on-line account. In order for you to receive your rebate, the card must be reloaded through your \$CRIP account and not at the retailer.

How can I pay for my gift cards? Accepted payment types are Check, Cash, Money Orders and PrestoPay (used with on-line ordering only). When using PrestoPay, there is a \$0.15 convenience fee for each order placed. Credit cards are not accepted due to the fact that the credit card fee St. Paul would pay would negate the rebate received.

How do I receive my rebate? Rebates are normally paid out twice a year. The first rebate is paid in mid-January and the second rebate is paid in late May-early June. You may choose to receive cash back, have your rebate applied to an outstanding balance on your school account or donate your rebate back to the school or another family.

Program rules and guidelines:

- 1. Gift cards can be ordered on-line through your individual family account at <u>www.shopwithscrip.com</u> (enrollment code C1D3157114966) or by picking up a family order form from the office.
- 2. A copy of your order must be turned into the office with a check, cash or money order payable to SPLS \$CRIP by the order date. If you choose to pay by PrestoPay, you simply need to submit and pay for your order on-line.
- 3. Values and rebate percentages for the cards are pre-determined and are subject to change without notice. Look for temporary promotion increases during the holidays.
- 4. \$CRIP payments are not tax deductible because you receive dollar for dollar value.
- 5. If your check is returned because of non-sufficient funds (NSF), you will be charged a \$35 fee payable to SPLS \$CRIP. After two NSF checks are tendered on your account, your \$CRIP ordering privileges will be limited to cash or money order only.
- 6. Upon receipt of your order, please check it for accuracy. In the unlikely event you should find a discrepancy, please contact the \$CRIP coordinator ASAP.
- 7. \$CRIP cards are not returnable.
- 8. \$CRIP cards are the same as cash, and should be handled accordingly. SPLS will not be responsible for certificates that are lost, stolen or misplaced while in your possession.
- 9. \$CRIP rebates are usually paid twice a year. Once in January and then again in May/June.

If you have any questions about the \$CRIP program or how to get started, please don't hesitate to ask.

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