

# What Is Scrip ?

## Major Retailers Wanting To Give Our School Money!

**Scrip** is simply a word that means “substitute money” – in other words, scrip is gift certificates from national and local retailers. They’re the same gift certificates that you buy at the store. Many popular retailers participate in our scrip program including JCPenney, The Gap, Marathon, Burger King, Red Lobster and many, many others.

You’re probably asking yourself how these stores help us raise money. It’s simple -- scrip participating retailers agree to sell gift certificates to our organization at a discount. Member families like yours buy the certificates for full face value, they redeem them for full face value, and our school keeps the difference as revenue, of which 50% of your discount amount is deducted off of your next year tuition. And scrip is exciting, because everybody wins:

- The retailer gets cash up front and repeat business...
- You get a powerful fundraising alternative that involves *no selling*...
- Our school gets a regular source of revenue.

The beauty of scrip is that you put your regular household shopping dollars to work. You earn money for our school without spending a single additional penny. Just spend your regular shopping dollars with scrip at the stores that participate in the scrip program! And scrip can be used for just about any household purchase including food, clothing, entertainment, gasoline and even dining out.

The St. Patrick School Scrip Program promises to be a simple and effective fundraising program.

## How & When Do You Purchase Scrip?

St. Patrick School order day will be on Friday. Please fill out the order form accompanied with a check, in an envelope marked Scrip. Send it to school with your child to turn it in to their teacher. You may indicate that you would like your scrip sent home with your student or you may choose to pick it up. Please mark the appropriate space at the top of the form. If your scrip order is filled that day, it will be sent home with your child. Please ask your child or check their backpack. Otherwise, your complete order will come home the following week. Scrip is available in the computer room every Friday morning. Please feel free to come in and see what we have or just to place an order.

Sincerely,  
Erin Shrewsbury  
Scrip Coordinator