

Shop with Scrip: www.shopwithscrip.com

“No-Extra-Cost-to-You Fundraising” for your student’s FMPA account

What is it?

Shop with Scrip is an online gift card ordering service that can help you earn money for your student’s Ferris Music Parents Association (FMPA) account, while not costing you an extra dime. Gift cards are available for hundreds of businesses that you probably already patronize, including grocery stores, gas stations, drugstores, restaurants, department stores, clothing stores, hotels, online retailers, etc. “No-Extra-Cost-To-You” means that you do not have to sell or buy something you wouldn’t ordinarily use in your day-to-day life. Cards can be ordered to use for daily purchases or given as gifts.

How does it work?

FMPA will typically place one order per month. (You will receive an email alert one week before an order will be placed.) Once you place your order via the ShopwithScrip website, write a check to FMPA for the total. Either you or your student needs to put this in the FMPA box, located in the band room (outside of Mr. Brueggemeier’s door) by noon on the Monday that the order will be placed. (If we do not receive your payment, we cannot place your order).

On Friday of the same week, we will be at school from 7–8 a.m., in the Music hallway, to deliver your order to you or your student (unless you have made other arrangements with us). We can’t leave orders with the music directors, so please pick them up in a timely manner.

How do I earn money for my student’s account by purchasing scrip?

Each retailer on the site lists the % rebate that they pay for each card. There is a wide variance based on retailer, anywhere from 2% to as much as 20%. Your gift card will be worth its total value and the rebate is based on that amount. FMPA then applies this rebate directly to your student’s account. You then use the card to make your purchase at this retailer.

For example: A \$25 gift card will have a \$25 value. If the retailer offers a 10% rebate, this purchase would earn \$2.50 that would be credited to your student’s account.

Examples of retailers and their current rebate amounts:

Ace Hardware, Home Depot: 4%	Albertsons, Safeway: 4%
Rosauers, 5%	Shopko: 3%, Kmart: 4%,
Walmart: 2.5%,	Walgreens: 6%, Rite Aid: 4%
Arby’s: 8%, Subway: 6%, Qdoba: 7%	Baskin Robbins: 9%, Cold Stone: 10%
Starbucks: 7%	Amazon.com: 2.5%
Red Lobster/Olive Garden: 8%	iTunes: 5%
Kohl’s: 4%, JCPenneys: 5%,	Old Navy/Gap/Banana Republic: 14%
Bath & Bodyworks: 13%	LL Bean: 16%,
AMC Movies: 8%	Land’s End: 16%

Sounds great! How do I register?

Go to www.shopwithscrip.com

Click on "Register," then click on "Join a Scrip program." Contact our Scrip coordinator for our enrollment code and follow the simple instructions and accept the terms and conditions of using the site.

Anything else I should know?

There are two other important features that can be really convenient and cost-saving. One is **Presto Pay**, whereby you arrange to have payment directly deducted from your bank account. This means that many purchases can be made at any time, instead of waiting for our monthly order. You need to provide your bank's routing number and your account number to ShopwithScrip online. There is a \$0.15 fee (for each entire order) when you use PrestoPay. Since everything is done online, there are no checks to submit at school. **In addition, orders paid for with Presto Pay can be placed as late as 1 p.m. on ordering days.**

The other feature that makes PrestoPay so convenient is **MyScripWallet/Scrip Now!** Numerous retailers offer electronic "cards" when you pay with **Presto Pay**. There are no shipping costs and you have access to your gift card within minutes of purchasing online. This is really convenient if you realize you will be shopping at a particular merchant, but haven't ordered a card for them yet; some people even order their "card" while standing in the checkout line.

Who is the volunteer coordinator?

Kimberly Beine (768-8993; kimberlybeine@icloud.com), a volunteer and Ferris parent, is happy to answer your questions. She LOVES shopwithscrip and hopes all of you will soon love it too. This program really helps you pay for music fees, trips, festivals, etc.!