

Edinbrook Elementary Scrip Program FAQs 2009-2010

Q. What is Scrip?

A. Scrip means “substitute money” and offers traditional gift cards that Edinbrook Elementary School purchases at a discount, and re-sells to participants at full face value to generate revenue for our school. You may choose to purchase the gift cards to use for your everyday purchases instead of writing a check or paying cash or to give as gifts.

Q. Why does Edinbrook Elementary School sell Scrip?

A. Scrip is a painless way our school can generate additional revenue for technology without conducting a traditional fundraiser.

Q. What incentive is there to participate in Scrip?

A. Profits for this program go towards technology grants for teachers at Edinbrook Elementary. 2009-2010 school year the PTO received grant requests from teachers at Edinbrook out of the requests we purchased \$14,000.00 in technology that went directly into classroom to help further student achievement. With everyone’s donations and funds raised the PTO purchased 5 smart boards, 12 document cameras, 4 projectors.

Q. How do I determine which vendors provide the greatest discount, thus generating the most profit for purchasing technology?

A. You can find a link to a complete list of vendors and their discounts on the PTO page of the school website or by going to www.shopwithscrip.com

Q. When can I purchase Scrip?

A. Your order must be submitted by 10:00 a.m. on order days indicated on the order form. There are no exceptions to this deadline. Late orders will be held until the next order cycle.

Q. How do I place an order?

A. There are two ways to place an order. You can use the paper Scrip order form, or go to www.shopwithscrip.com and place your order online. The organization enrollment code is **6618EB4E21662**. You can either pay by check or use PrestoPay if you are placing your order online. If you are ordering online, there is a \$.39 convenience fee per order for using PrestoPay. If paying by check, attach a check in the amount of your order payable to Edinbrook PTO, and send it to school with your child to hand in to his or her teacher. Up to 72 hours are required in order to set up a PrestoPay account.

Q. What denominations of Scrip are available?

A. You can find a link to a complete list of vendors at www.shopwithscrip.com. If using the paper order form, the gray boxes on the order form indicate the vendor does not offer this denomination. Non-gray boxes indicate available denominations. Additional lines are provided for Scrips you find online that are not on the order form.

Q. Is there a minimum dollar amount required each order cycle?

A. No, there is no minimum dollar order. Likewise, you need not place a Scrip order each order period.

Q. Can family members or friends participate?

A. Yes. Simply include their order with your family's order form.

Q. How and when will I receive my Scrip order? A. Scrip orders for the 2009-2010 school year will be processed on Wednesday mornings and made available for families on Monday afternoon through backpack delivery. Please note that holidays make for tighter time frames. Please be aware that Edinbrook Elementary School and its PTO are not responsible for lost or stolen Scrip once they are placed in a child's backpack. Please contact us if other delivery arrangements are required.

Q. Can I refill a gift card?

A. Select gift cards previously purchased through Scrips can be refilled online at www.shopwithscrip.com (a complete list of gift cards available for refill is available on the www.shopwithscrip.com website). There is a \$.39 convenience fee per order for using PrestoPay for online purchases. As long as your refill purchase is received online by 2pm, your refill amount will be credited to your gift card by the following day. This is a great way to be able to continually have funds available for your everyday shopping without having to wait for the next order to arrive!

Q. When will my check be cashed?

A. Assume your check will be cashed on the date your order is due to the office. NSF fees will be charged to the check writer.

Q. Is Scrip tax deductible? A. No. You are essentially receiving gift cards for the full face value of your payment. Please notify participating friends and family of this.

Q. Can I use Scrip at the same time I use other vendor discount cards?

A. Vendors may vary. Ask your retailer at the time you make a purchase.

Q. The Scrip Program sounds exciting. How can I help it succeed?

A. As our Scrip Program grows, we'll need volunteers. If you would like to help, e-mail Jane Tekautz at jsteam1@comcast.net or call 612-845-1623.

Q. I have more questions, who can I contact?

A. E-mail Jane Tekautz at jsteam1@comcast.net or call 612-845-1623. Please, do not call the school office.