

Mount Olive's SCRIP Program

Frequently Asked Questions

What is SCRIP?

SCRIP is gift certificates from national and local retailers like Kwik Trip, Piggly Wiggly, Kohl's, etc. These retailers agree to sell the certificates to Mount Olive School at a discount. Mount Olive members buy the certificates for full face value, redeem them for full face value, and Mount Olive keeps the difference as revenue. 50% of that revenue is returned to school families as a credit on the next year's tuition statement. 50% of the revenue is kept by Mount Olive to pay for the expenses of the program and/or directed toward school projects.

What percentage of the certificates' face value is returned to Mount Olive as revenue?

Percentages range from 2-17%.

How will Mount Olive's portion (50%) of the returned revenue be used?

First, expenses will be paid (e.g. \$9.60 weekly shipping charges, supplies, software expenses, etc.). Secondly, administration costs will be paid from rebates. Lastly, surplus money will be used for school projects at the discretion of the Board of Education or transferred to support the Tuition Assistance Fund.

Who is eligible to purchase SCRIP?

Anyone may purchase SCRIP after filling out an enrollment form. Participants will be asked to choose whether their SCRIP earnings will be credited toward the tuition of their child(ren), credited to another family, paid back in the form of cash payout or directed to the Mount Olive Tuition Assistance Fund (to assist needy families with their tuition payments), the General Fund or Forward in Faith.

How do I purchase SCRIP?

Fill out an order form in the Atrium or at the SCRIP Office, (located in the window by the school parking lot entrance). Return your form to a SCRIP volunteer during SCRIP office hours or to the SCRIP box located on the wall outside the SCRIP office.

When can I purchase SCRIP?

Orders can be placed with a SCRIP volunteer in the atrium on Sunday mornings, from 9:10 to 9:25 a.m. and 10:10 to 10:25 a.m. or at the SCRIP office on Monday and Friday, from 7:45 to 8:15 a.m. or 2:45 - 3:15 p.m. Orders (along with payment by cash, check or money order only) may also be placed in the box outside the SCRIP office anytime.

Or participating families can use ShopWithScrip.com and follow the simple steps to order, reload, and purchase online via PrestoPay. There will be a small convenience fee of \$0.15 per order.

When can I pick up my SCRIP order?

The majority of SCRIP certificates will be available to be picked up at the time the order is placed. However, depending on the supply and demand of particular certificates, some SCRIP may be backordered and will be available for pick up later. If SCRIP certificates are not currently in stock at the Mount Olive SCRIP office, one weekly order will be sent in electronically or called in for local pick up ensure delivery by the end of the following week. Please order in advance to ensure pick up that's convenient for you. Orders that are placed locally can take over a week to receive and are processed on the retailer's time frame and will need time to be picked up as well. Thank you for your understanding with this matter.

Orders placed online via ShopWithScrip.com prior to Monday at 10 a.m. will be released/submitted once weekly to ensure Friday pick up. If you have questions, please feel free to ask a volunteer for more details.

Can I pick up my SCRIP from the school office at other times during the week?

No. The school staff does not have access to the SCRIP cards. SCRIP will be sold only during open sale hours by the volunteers in the atrium or at the SCRIP office located near the school parking lot entrance.

How can I pay for my SCRIP order?

The Mount Olive SCRIP office will accept cash, personal checks or money orders. Payment must accompany the order form. Online orders will require ACH or debit transactions at the time the order is placed.

When will school families receive their tuition credit for their SCRIP earnings?

On June 1, the amount of a person's SCRIP earnings from the past school year (June 1-May 31) will be calculated and applied to tuition bill of their oldest child enrolled at Mount Olive for the upcoming year. Statements will be sent out as receipt for this credit at the end of June.

Can I start earning tuition credits for a child not yet enrolled at Mount Olive school?

Yes. Your tuition credits will be rolled over each year until your child (or grandchild) begins school. Please notify the volunteer that you are a FUTURE FAMILY so that your account can be designated currently upon enrollment.

What if I don't have children enrolled at Mount Olive, can I still participate?

Of course! Everyone can utilize this program. The benefits of using SCRIP add up quickly and definitely make a difference for our congregation.

If my child does not attend Mount Olive School next year, what happens to my earnings?

You may transfer your credits to another family; designate rebates towards the Tuition Assistance Fund, transfer credits to another WELS school, or receive a payout. Mount Olive parents wanting to earn credits for FVL tuition may begin purchasing SCRIP at the FVL office at any time (e.g. parents with only an 8th grader at Mount Olive School).

What happens if I don't use all of the value of the card on one purchase?

When you use your SCRIP gift card to make a purchase at a retailer and don't use the entire value of the card your balance will remain on the card and carry forward until your next purchase. Most retailers will even write the remaining balance on the card for you. No need to keep receipts. Your balance will be available for your next purchase.

Can I buy SCRIP to purchase my prescriptions?

Yes, we carry Walgreens, Shopko, CVS and Wal-mart. These vendors are available in a variety of denominations for your convenience.

Is there a minimum amount of certificates that I have to order?

There is no minimum order amount.

Can I use scrip to pay department store charge account balances?

A few retailers allow you to pay charge account balances with scrip, but generally speaking, most do not. Kohl's Department store is one local business which allows customers to pay on charge card balances using scrip gift cards.

If I have further questions or want to open a SCRIP account, who do I contact?

Mount Olive's SCRIP Coordinator is Carol Schuff (phone: 920-739-9194 x 235.)