

\$CRIP

The best fundraiser ever!!

Scrip is a program where you exchange cash for a gift certificate of equal value. The merchants who participate sell those gift certificates to the \$CRIP Service Center in bulk at a discount. That discount is then a profit for the school. Currently, merchants offer gift certificates at discounts from 2% to 43% depending on the merchant.

The Tualatin High School TSO participates in the \$CRIP program as a major fundraiser to help fund academic needs and the needs of participating groups. The profit from your \$CRIP order can also be used to pay a student's portion of an approved group expense (in accordance with the IRS Code for tax-exempt organizations), such as school sponsored trips, group contest/competitions fees and required uniforms. See the \$CRIP Individual Account Agreement for additional information by specific participating groups.

The real beauty of the program is that it doesn't cost YOU anything! Some examples...

Example Order # 1

<u>Merchant</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Discount</u>	<u>Profit</u>
Fred Meyer	100.00	4 %	4.00
Applebee's	40.00	8 %	3.20
Kaady Car Wash	<u>9.00</u>	26 %	<u>2.34</u>
Total Order	\$149.00		\$9.54*

Example Order # 2

<u>Merchant</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Discount</u>	<u>Profit</u>
Haggens	150.00	7 %	10.50
Krispie Kreme	9.00	45 %	4.05
Old Navy	100.00	8 %	8.00
Old Spaghetti Fact.	50.00	8 %	4.00
Family Fun Center	<u>50.00</u>	15 %	<u>7.50</u>
Total Order	\$359.00		\$34.05*

Example Order # 3

<u>Merchant</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Discount</u>	<u>Profit</u>
JC Penney	250.00	4 %	10.00
Barnes & Noble	20.00	8 %	1.60
Starbucks	10.00	6 %	.60
Olive Garden	50.00	8 %	4.00
Shari's	20.00	8 %	1.60
See's Candies	15.00	10 %	1.50
Haggens	150.00	7 %	10.50
Gap	100.00	8 %	8.00
Community News	<u>24.00</u>	15 %	<u>3.60</u>
Total Order	\$639.00		\$41.40*

Example Order # 4

<u>Merchant</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Discount</u>	<u>Profit</u>
Fred Meyer	500.00	4 %	20.00
Total Order	\$500.00		\$20.00*

*- Less order fee – Each week the order fee is split between those ordering that week (i.e. \$ 10.00 fee divided by 20 orders that week = \$0.50) and is deducted from the order profit for that week.

The Details . . .

Orders are processed on Mondays.

All orders received prior to 12:00 on Monday are processed with the order for that week. Orders can be turned in any day to the TuHS bookkeeper, Donna Deluca.

Orders are returned on Thursdays.

Scrip gift certificates are received and processed on Thursdays and delivered to the school. Orders can be picked up by students or parents at the bookkeeper's window near the office. Students will be paged over the announcement system, reminding them the orders are ready for pick up. Orders are ready before the end of school on Thursdays. On rare occasions the orders may not be delivered until Friday morning. When this happens, you will be notified by phone.

The Order Fee.

You incur a portion of the order fee (\$10) only for the weeks you place an order. The fee is divided equally among all those who order in a given week. The more orders, the lower your fee share. The bigger your order is, the more you profit – one big order is better than several small orders.

Who can order?

ANYONE and EVERYONE!!! Parents, students, grandparents, neighbors, friends, supportive community citizens. Order for yourself or to give as gifts.

How much can you actually “make”?

One student completely paid for their band trip to San Diego (approximately \$500) through profits from Scrip! No magazines, no poinsettias, no candy sales, no working at Nordstrom's. NO EXTRA MONEY OUT OF THEIR PARENT'S POCKET! It is fairly easy to see that regular orders can add up quickly.

What is the key to making it work?

Order regularly from the merchants you normally patronize. The BIGGEST KEY is setting a regular time aside to do your order. Maybe Sunday nights, Wednesdays or Thursdays, or when you pay your bills. It only takes 5 minutes, but it can save you a mint!

Scrip Individual Account Agreements

Profits can be designated to TSO or the “general” fund for any participating group. With all the budget cuts, these general funds benefit many students and really need your support. Some groups also permit an individual account (Band/Orchestra, Baseball, Choir, Drama, Cheerleading, Dance, IB, Snowboarding), which can be used to pay for specific allowable expenses for your own student, such as group trips, uniforms, testing and competition fees, etc. See the Scrip Individual Account Agreement form for more details. Anyone who wants to set up an individual account to accumulate profits for their student must sign a Scrip Individual Account Agreement form and turn it in with your first order. These forms are available online at the TuHS website and in the main office.

For more information, call Rosemary Smurthwaite, Scrip Coordinator, at 503-624-9870.