

SWCHS Tuition Reduction Incentive Program

Policies & Procedures



1. The Tuition Reduction Incentive Program (TRIP) offered by Southwest Christian High School runs weekly throughout school year including Thanksgiving and Christmas breaks. Summer schedule will be published in May.
2. Ordering frequency is up to each participant. There is no minimum order amount.
3. Anyone can participate, including families (current, past, future), friends, staff, faculty, and relatives. To get started, complete the SWCHS enrollment form and return it to the SWCHS office.
4. TRIP uses the services of Great Lakes Scrip Center. GLSC negotiates the purchase of merchant gift cards in large quantities at a discount, allowing participating organizations to sell them at face value, thereby raising funds for said school communities. "Rebates" range from 2% to 15% or more of the gift card value. The SW TRIP program will direct 50% of the rebate directly back to the participant who chooses (on the registration form) where to apply the proceeds. The remaining 50% (less program expenses such as shipping, paper, printing) will be allocated to the SWCHS Tuition Assistance Fund.
5. The "rebate" earned by participants will accumulate throughout the year and be applied two times a year, April and November, in accordance with participant's selections on their enrollment form.
6. Pickup Options selected on the enrollment form must be signed before gift cards will be released to other than participant placing the order including other adults and students. These forms will be kept on file. Release of orders will require signature of the individual picking up order.
7. All ordering is done online through the GLSC's online ordering system, shopwithscrip.com. Orders can be conveniently placed by participant at anytime of the day or night. All orders should be placed by current order deadline schedules to ensure delivery by stated delivery time frames. Late orders cannot be processed, but can be held for the next week if desired.
8. Payments are also conveniently made online at the time of ordering through GLSC's PestoPay online payment system eliminating the need to drop off checks in time to meet deadlines. PestoPay is a NACHA electronic funds transfer system. To enroll in PestoPay, you register your account information once in a secure environment through the Shop With Scrip website, and then verify it again a few days later. A small convenience fee of \$0.39 is paid each time the service is used regardless of size of order.
9. The gift cards are just like cash. Once an order is picked up, neither Southwest Christian High School nor the TRIP committee is responsible for lost, stolen, or misplaced gift cards.
10. Participant will reimburse SWCHS and/or TRIP Program for any charges paid as a result of participant's insufficient funds. The current charge is \$30.00. If order has already been placed prior to notification of insufficiency of funds, participant will also reimburse school for the face value of your order.
11. Double check all orders at pickup. Gift cards cannot be returned or exchanged.
12. Gift cards can be used like cash at participating stores. Refer to the terms and conditions stated by each merchant or printed on the card (many are available at the online ordering system). Check cards for any expiration dates.
13. Refer to the list of local and national merchants participating at shopwithscrip.com to familiarize yourself with the stores that participate in TRIP. The list of merchants is updated regularly online as is the percentage discount offered.

Additional questions about TRIP should be directed to the SW TRIP Coordinator Cindy Eidem at (952) 807-5107 or swtrip@msn.com.