

What is Scrip for Tuition?

Immanuel buys scrip from the Great Lakes Scrip Center at a discount and re-sells the cards or certificates to you for the face value. The income from the discount will be used to offset tuition or it may be used to support the Scrip Program. Scrip means “substitute money.”

Friends and families of Immanuel purchase gift cards and certificates to merchants to generate extra income for tuition assistance and other programs. Use scrip **instead of money** to cut tuition costs and to support school programs **without spending a penny more than you normally would!** Buy scrip cards as gift cards the next time you need birthday, anniversary or holiday presents.

The reason for the effectiveness of scrip is simple: families generate revenue through the purchases that they would normally make. Relatives, friends and neighbors may buy scrip and designate the credit to the family of their choice or to the school. But unlike other fundraising programs, scrip families do not have to “sell” anything.

Why Scrip?

50% of the income generated by your purchase is credited to a **current** Immanuel student.

- Each family is given a SCRIP number. We use this number to track total purchases for each family throughout the year.
- The scrip year runs from June 1 to May 31. Credits will be reflected on the tuition statement for the following school year.
- Current families will have the credit applied to their next year’s tuition.
- Current eighth grade families may transfer their credit to a current school family, to the tuition assistance fund, or to the designated account, which at this time is computer software.

How do I purchase Scrip?

1. Fill out an order form
Order forms are available from our website at www.immanuelknights.org, attached to the weekly newsletter, or from the school office.
2. Send your order to the school office. Orders can be delivered in person or mailed. Orders will be accepted in the school office any time during regular school hours (Monday-Friday 7:00-4:00 on student days). All orders must be paid in full. Please make checks payable to **Immanuel Scrip**.

How soon will I get my Scrip cards?

We keep a variety of Scrip cards on hand. These may be purchased and picked up in the school office. A complete list of vendors is available at www.glscrip.com. Special orders will be placed on Monday of each week and delivery is made on Fridays.

Special Notes:

You can use scrip with any store or manufacturer coupons. Scrip looks and acts just like a gift card. **Kohl’s and JC Penney allow you to make payments on your store charge account with scrip cards!**

Points of Understanding

1. There is a \$5 minimum accumulated credit that an owner can credit to a tuition account.
2. For each family with an accumulated tuition credit, Immanuel will provide a tuition statement for the upcoming school year in June. If the family will have a student at Immanuel during the next school year, and if the credit is at least \$5, the credit will be used to offset that tuition. If the family will not have a student at Immanuel during the next school year, the credit will be applied to Tuition Assistance, to the designated fund, or to another family’s account as indicated on the order forms.
3. Scrip credits may not be transferred to another family if students are withdrawn from Immanuel Lutheran.
4. Tuition credits in the scrip program will not earn interest.
5. Scrip purchases may be made with cash or check only.
6. The tuition credits earned will always be applied to the next year’s tuition. **WE CANNOT ISSUE CASH OR CREDIT REFUNDS**
7. Scrip purchases, which are not designated, will be applied 100% to the designated Scrip account. In order for a scrip purchase to be credited to a family’s account, the buyer must complete a scrip registration form indicating which account they have chosen.
8. It is the purchaser’s responsibility to be aware of scrip expiration date. Although many scrip cards have no expiration dates, some begin charging a monthly fee after a year of inactivity.
9. Scrip is like cash – if it is lost, it cannot be replaced.

What if I have questions?

Call the school office at 815-547-5346. Happy shopping!