

SAINT MARY SCHOOL
2010-2011 PARENT COMMITMENTS & OBLIGATIONS

SHARED RESPONSIBILITY OPPORTUNITIES (SRO):

Each family is obligated to complete a *minimum* of 50 hours of service per school year beginning June 1 and ending May 31. **[Families receiving Tuition Assistance will be responsible for an additional 15 hours]**. Of those 50 hours, a minimum of 30 hours must be directly related to the school. Additionally, there is an EXPECTATION that EVERY FAMILY contribute 10 or more hours to a major fundraising activity of the school: Walk-A-Thon, Fall/Spring Spaghetti Dinner, or Auction. A maximum of 20 hours may be generated via in-direct relation to the school - including, but not limited to, parish activities and the Garlic Festival.

In the event that a family does not complete their SRO commitment by May 31, a minimal carryover will be allowed for one year. However, if you have less than half of your SRO hours completed you may not be eligible to reenroll for the following year. If you have not completed the required hours by the May 31 deadline, the following applies:

- In Parish tuition families that do not complete their SRO commitment will be changed to Out of Parish tuition for the following year.
- Out of Parish tuition families that do not complete their SRO commitment may not be eligible to reenroll for the following year. If just cause is accepted and your child is reenrolled, you may be required to opt out of completing SRO hours by donating \$1,000 to St. Mary School.

Please see SRO Information Sheet for more specific guidelines.

SCRIP COMMITMENT:

Each family is required to participate in SCRIP by making an annual SCRIP deposit of \$200 into their family account. The SCRIP deposit for the 2010-2011 School Year is due September 1, 2010.

Simply put, SCRIP is another name for gift cards. These cards are equivalent to cash when used. The only difference is, when you pay with SCRIP, the merchant donates a portion of your purchase to St. Mary School. There are numerous merchants who offer SCRIP.

How SCRIP works

- SCRIP is sold to St. Mary School families at face value.
- When you shop, use SCRIP for your purchases.
- SCRIP, Inc. has negotiated a percentage, which is given back to the school (the exact % varies per merchant and is listed next to the merchant on the SCRIP order form).

How to Fulfill your Family Requirement

- Order or purchase SCRIP through the Wednesday envelope or at the school office.
- Use SCRIP to pay for your purchases.
- The percentage earned/money sent back to the school is applied toward your family account and annual SCRIP requirement.
- Every year, each family must purchase enough SCRIP to yield income from the merchants equivalent to the SCRIP deposit amount of \$200.
- Once you have reached \$200 of *money given back to the school* (not the amount you have spent purchasing SCRIP), your family will have fulfilled its annual SCRIP requirement.
- At the end of the school year, your family will be given the option of receiving a “SCRIP refund” or declining the refund and making a tax-deductible donation to the school instead.

There are three (3) forms of SCRIP:

1. Paper SCRIP – cards/certificates are sold to St. Mary families at face value. SCRIP can be ordered/purchased through the Wednesday envelope or at the school office.
2. Electronic SCRIP (eSCRIP) - purchases from participating vendors at www.escrip.com are monitored electronically when a credit, debit, merchant or Safeway Club card is used. Every time you use the registered cards, a percentage of your purchases are automatically credited to your name.
3. Nob Hill Quality of Life Card –Every time you use your Quality of Life card at Nob Hill grocery/pharmacy/mailling center, a percentage of your purchases are automatically credited to your name.

Signature of Parent or Guardian

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