

LNHS Band Boosters

Scrip/Gift Card Fundraising Program

Frequently Asked Questions

What is "Scrip"?

"Scrip" is simply another name for "Gift Cards". If you have ever used a gift card, then you've used scrip. The program allows parents, friends, relatives, and others to purchase gift cards through our organization from selected merchants, which then return a percentage of the money to us. These gift cards are available for many local and national merchants, which you may already visit during many of your weekly activities.

Where can I use these Scrip/Gift Cards?

The stores themselves issue their own gift cards. For example, a Belk gift card is issued by Belk and is good only at Belk. It is the exact same gift card you would receive if you walked into Belk and purchased one right in the store.

How do I use Scrip/Gift Cards?

The great part about this program is that stores treat gift cards just like cash. This means that you present them for payment at the register. You can use gift cards to shop for everyday items, pay for your gasoline, or give as gifts. However you choose to use these gift cards, our band wins.

How does our organization make money?

UnitedScrip (our scrip company) purchases the scrip/gift cards from each merchant in large, bulk quantities at discounted rates. UnitedScrip then makes these gift cards available to non-profit organizations also at a discounted rate. Our band then sells these same gift cards to our families and friends at face value. The difference between the discount rate and the face value is our profit. For example, if you're going to spend \$50 at Belk, purchase a \$50 gift card from the band. Belk will then give our band \$5.00. You get the exact same \$50 gift card you would if you purchased the card at the store.

What if I don't use the whole amount on the face of the Scrip/Gift Card?

Since the scrip/gift cards are like debit cards, they usually carry the amount left on the card as a balance until you have spent the whole amount. Most stores will not give change back if you do not use the entire amount of scrip/gift card in one purchase. In addition, if your purchases are more than the amount on your gift card, you can pay the difference with any other method convenient to you (i.e. cash, credit card, debit card, etc.).

Is there a limit on the amount of Scrip/Gift Cards I can use at any one store?

No. They will gladly take as much money as you want to spend in their store, regardless of how you spend it.

Are there geographical restrictions on where I can use Scrip/Gift Cards?

Only as designated by the presence of the store. If a store has locations nationwide, that means you can even buy scrip/gift cards as gifts for those relatives and friends living in other states.