

## Austin Jewish Academy Scrip Commitment Program Information Sheet

As part of our effort to provide a quality education for our students while remaining affordable to our families, Austin Jewish Academy has established a Scrip component of our enrollment contract. Each AJA family agrees to purchase \$5,000 of goods and services through the Scrip gift card program over the course of the school year. Alternatively, this commitment can also be satisfied by making a payment of \$500 to AJA or by a combination of Scrip purchases and a payment prorated by the amount of Scrip purchased.

### **What is Scrip?**

Scrip is a term used for gift cards. When purchased through AJA's program, the school receives a percentage of each Scrip card's value as a rebate. For example: when you spend \$100 on Amazon, instead of using your debit card, or credit card, you could purchase the same \$100 in Amazon Scrip from [www.ShopWithScrip.com](http://www.ShopWithScrip.com), resulting in a rebate from ShopWithScrip to the school.

### **Why is there a Scrip commitment in the enrollment contract?**

The Scrip commitment program became part of the annual tuition contract several years ago to keep tuition affordable. AJA hopes that families will continue to purchase Scrip even after the commitment portion of their tuition agreement is satisfied, as part of our fundraising program.

### **How can I monitor how much Scrip I have purchased during the year?**

AJA's business officer, Susan Snyder, keeps track of all Scrip purchases. Please get in touch with Susan at [Susan.Snyder@AJASchool.org](mailto:Susan.Snyder@AJASchool.org) if you want to know your Scrip balance.

### **Did I miss a deadline?**

The only deadline that families are required to adhere to is May 31 of the current school year – at which time the Scrip commitment is due.

### **Which Scrip cards are eligible for credit toward the commitment?**

Scrip cards purchased in the AJA office or through [www.ShopWithScrip.com](http://www.ShopWithScrip.com) are eligible to satisfy the commitment. There are over 500 vendors that offer Scrip cards through our program, including HEB/Central Market. Information on the percentage of rebates for each vendor is available at [www.ShopWithScrip.com](http://www.ShopWithScrip.com).

### **How can I purchase Scrip cards?**

1. Purchase Scrip at the AJA office.

Some Scrip cards are available in the AJA office. We generally keep the following cards in the office:

HEB/Central Market, Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Bath & Body, Bed Bath & Beyond, Container Store, CVS, Einstein Bagels, Home Depot, iTunes, Jo-Ann's, Lowes, Old Navy/Gap/Banana Republic, Regal Cinema, Sprouts, Starbucks, Walgreens.

2. Order directly via [www.ShopWithScrip.com](http://www.ShopWithScrip.com).

Register with ShopWithScrip.com using AJA's enrollment code, L852B89F2L552.

- a. Once registered, you can order physical cards to pick up at the AJA office or get e-gift cards through the ShopWithScrip website.
- b. Scrip cards can be shipped directly to your home by using the ShopWithScrip app, Raise Right. Go to [www.ShopWithScrip.com](http://www.ShopWithScrip.com) for more information. You can download the RaiseRight app via the app store on your mobile device.

### **How do I satisfy my family's Scrip commitment?**

Purchases toward your \$5,000 commitment can be made from June 1 - May 31. Here is an example of how you could reach \$5,000 (or approximately \$420 a month) during the year:

HEB/Central Market/Randalls/Sprouts - \$350 per month

Walgreens, CVS, The Home Depot, Lowes, Panera, Subway - \$25 per month

Barnes & Noble, Bed, Bath & Beyond, Starbucks, Amazon.com (gifts!) - \$25

Gap/Old Navy/Banana Republic, Marshall's - \$25 per month

### **Can friends and family members purchase Scrip towards my family's commitment?**

Yes, family and friends can help you satisfy your obligation by buying Scrip. Just make sure that you or the purchaser informs the office of which family they would like to credit for their purchase.

### **What happens if I don't purchase enough Scrip to fulfill the commitment?**

If you find that you have not been able to purchase the \$5,000 of Scrip cards during the year, you can choose the buy-out option of \$500. The \$500 buy-out fee will be prorated by the amount of Scrip you purchased during the year. For example, if you purchased \$2,500 of Scrip, the buy-out option would be \$250 to complete the commitment.

If you have any additional questions about how this program works, please contact Karen Tarantolo, Office Manager, at [reception@ajaschool.org](mailto:reception@ajaschool.org) or by calling 512-735-8350 or Susan Snyder, Business Officer, at [susan.snyder@ajaschool.org](mailto:susan.snyder@ajaschool.org) or by calling 512-735-8368.