

Dear American Eagles Soccer Club Parent:

We are ready to begin our new fundraising program for DFW Tornados Soccer Club families! Your Team Manager should have forwarded you the introduction email already explaining the program. If not, please make sure to contact them and get a copy of that email first. The program is called “Scrip,” and it’s a fundraising program that works while you shop and involves no selling! This fundraiser is optional and can be used as frequently as you like. **You can place your first order anytime before Monday, March 15th by 8pm sharp!**

To begin, you will need to create a family account by going to www.shopwithscrip.com. On the left-hand side there will be a green box labeled “**Family Sign Up!**” Click on “**Create Account**” and follow the instructions. Next to “**Student Name**”, **type your player’s first and last name**. If you have more than one child playing for the Tornados, only choose one child to register. It won’t matter which child is registered as all your fundraising profits can be used for any sibling player. Next to the “**Teacher Name**”, **type THREE digits and your coach’s last name that pertain to the child you just registered**. The first two digits will be the year of the team (i.e. 96). The third digit will be the gender of the team (G for Girls/B for Boys) and then your coach’s last name. So, for a girl playing on the 96 Blue team, you would type 96GKerlin next to the “Teacher Name”. Review the agreements at the bottom of the screen and click “**I accept**”. On the next page, you will need the Tornados enrollment code to associate your family account with the Club’s account. That code is: **F1A11B8521457**.

After you have completed your registration, remain logged in and set up your Presto-Pay Account. Presto-Pay is the only option we are offering for you to pay for your Scrip orders. Some organizations allow for orders to be paid by check, but it is not feasible for us since we do not have an office to handle collecting checks and depositing on a timely basis. Presto-Pay is actually more convenient for you and allows you to order online any time of the day or night. There is a small convenience fee of \$0.39 cents **per order** that Scrip charges you. Follow the instructions in setting up your Presto-Pay account using your checking or savings account. It will take up to 72 hours for Scrip to verify your account, so you will want to get this taken care of right away. For detailed information about Presto-Pay, click on the “**My Account**” tab and then click on “**Presto-Pay**” in the left-hand column.

Once Scrip has verified your account and you have completed the Presto-Pay set-up, you will be ready to place orders! But first, we recommend familiarizing yourself with the www.shopwithscrip.com website. Under the “**Get Started**” tab, read through the “**FAQ’s**”. Under the “**Shop**” tab, scroll down to the bottom right and you can print out a list of all the participating retailers and their rebates, alphabetically or by category. The percentage next to the retailer is the percentage you will receive back as a rebate to be credited to your player’s account less a small S&H fee. See highlighted example below. Under the “**My Account**” tab, familiarize yourself with all the tabs. For detailed information about the Scrip program in general, click on “**User Guide**” in the left-hand column and read through. This will explain exactly how to place orders and reload gift cards if you need more info.

Once you are familiar with the website, click on the “**Shop**” tab and start shopping! **The Club Coordinator (Rhonda Gruenewald) will be placing club orders twice a month (the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month by 8pm sharp!)**. You can place your order anytime before these designated dates and time and it will be saved until the Club Coordinator releases it to Scrip. If you need to modify or cancel your order before 8pm on the 1st or 3rd Monday, you will need to email the Club Coordinator with your order number and request. Rhonda’s email address is below and is also available in the “**My Accounts**” tab, at the bottom right, under the “**Non-Profits**” section.

Once the Club Coordinator has released the combined order to Scrip, they will process the order promptly and ship to us. Once we receive the order, we will divide up each family’s individual order and will be advising as to how you or your Team Fundraising Coordinator can pick up your orders. The turn-around time should be approximately a week. We hope to have your orders available for pick up by the following Monday or Tuesday. Please be patient with us as we work out the details of this new program together. Once the orders are divided up, the Club Treasurer will credit your player’s account for the proceeds due to you less a 10% administration fee to cover shipping and handling.

Here is an example of how an order might look and how to better explain the “Scrip” program*:

Bed Bath & Beyond	\$ 25 x 4 gift cards = \$100 @ 7% rebate	= \$ 7.00
Chipotle	\$ 10 x 5 gift cards = \$ 50 @ 10% rebate	= \$ 5.00
Borders/Waldenbooks	\$ 10 x 5 gift cards = \$ 50 @ 9% rebate	= \$ 4.50
Albertsons	\$100 x 5 gift cards = \$500 @ 4% rebate	= \$20.00
Marriott Hotels	\$100 x 3 gift cards = \$300 @ 9% rebate	= \$27.00
	<u>\$1000</u>	<u>\$63.50</u>

*You would buy these gift cards at full-face value (\$1000 total in the example) via Presto-Pay. You would receive these cards the following week and redeem them at full face-value whenever you like. You would have earned \$63.50 in rebates. Your player’s account will be credited for this amount **less a 10% S&H fee**, which would be \$6.35. Therefore, your player’s account would receive a credit of **\$57.15** just for purchasing from these retailers in advance. These proceeds can be used towards dues or other team soccer expenses. Proceeds may also be saved for next year’s dues, transferred to a sibling’s account or even designated to a scholarship player on your team (which would entitle you to a charitable contribution tax deduction). Many families around the country completely fund their child’s soccer year with the scrip program. The more you use the program, the more money you will earn for your player.

If you have any questions, please make sure to speak to your Team’s fundraising Chairperson first, or contact either Rhonda or Julia below. You can also call Scrip directly at 800-727-4715 from 8am-4pm EST. **Don’t forget...Your first order can be placed anytime before Monday, March 15th by 8pm sharp!** Thank you and we hope you enjoy using this exciting new fundraising program!

Sincerely,

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