



St Mary Parents, Families and Friends,

Kroger is changing the way that they contribute to the Scrip program starting on May 1, 2009. You will no longer need to purchase reloadable gift cards through the school. Your purchases will be tracked through your Kroger Plus Card and then a statement will be sent to the school so that we can give each family tuition credit through the Scrip program.

In the past they have donated 5% of purchases back to the school. This is changing. They have pledged to donate 5,000,000 to non-profit organizations each year.

There is no set percentage that they will pay out to each organization. At the end of each quarter they will pay out \$1,250,000 to participating organizations. St Mary School will have a "piece of the pie" which will be determined on what percentage our parents, families and friends spend.

We apologize for this change but we are still grateful for Kroger's continued support of our school. We do not know if this means that we will be receiving less or more- we will not know until the first quarterly payout.

There are a couple of things that you need to be aware of- unfortunately fuel purchases, postage, gift certificates, lottery, alcohol and tobacco will not be eligible toward these rewards. You will only be able to receive rewards for purchases made at Columbus Division Stores (i.e. Columbus and Lancaster.) Therefore you will no longer be able to have your out-of-town relatives and friends help you earn credit towards tuition.

Please go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com for more information.

We will be communicating with you in the coming weeks to let you know how to register your Kroger Plus Card.

Thank you for your understanding.

The Scrip Committee
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