



*Center Montessori School*

## Tuition Reduction Incentive Program

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**Purpose:** To provide families of Center Montessori School (CMS) an opportunity to reduce their tuition through the Tuition Reduction Incentive Program (TRIP). TRIP Scrip gift cards and certificates are available from participating vendors for purchase with a rebate. These cards are sold at face value to families who participate in the program and a rebate is given in the form of tuition credit. Using the PrestoPay service, ScripNow is available from participating vendors and allow the purchaser immediate access to purchased gift cards via any smart phone or printable from home computer.

### TRIP Policies:

- Registration: Anyone who desires to participate in the TRIP program and establish a family account, *\*must\** submit a registration form and be familiar with the policies.
- Payment: Orders made can either be paid for with PrestoPay or personal checks. Please note, ScripNow is *\*only\** available using PrestoPay as the payment method.
- Rebates: The percentage earned on each participating family's account will be held by TRIP and credited to your tuition account monthly. If your tuition is paid in full for that year, it will be credited to the next year's balance. Any discrepancies must be brought to the school's attention within 2 weeks of the statement date. CMS will give you a rebate of 80% of the total profit and will retain 20% for the Lifelong Learner's Financial Aid Fund and administrative cost of running TRIP.

What's the next step? Complete the registration form and return it to the TRIP Coordinator, Michelle Peterson. You will receive an email with your username and password. Visit [www.ShopwithScrip.com](http://www.ShopwithScrip.com) to place orders at your convenience.

### Additional information:

Family and friends may help you accrue rebates faster by filling out their own TRIP registration form. The benefits don't stop there! Parents looking to the future and planning for a Montessori education for their young children at CMS can also participate. These families will be assigned an account number. The monies earned will be held by CMS and will be given as a rebate for tuition payment once the child is enrolled as a student. This is a non-interest bearing account.

### The fine print:

- The Scrip gift cards/certificates are the same as cash. Neither CMS nor TRIP will accept responsibility for lost or misplaced cards.
- In no way does CMS or the TRIP programs endorse the vendors listed on the order form. You must make your own decisions concerning your purchases.
- Each store has their own policy on change back from cards/certificates. Find out the store policy before paying for your purchase.
- TRIP is being offered to promote a Montessori education at CMS; therefore, the money collected on your account will only be paid to CMS for tuition reduction. If your student(s) no longer attends CMS, the monies held under your family account number will be put into the Lifelong Learner's Financial Aid Fund.

If you have further questions, please contact Michelle Peterson at Center Montessori School.  
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## Family Account Registration Form

Please sign and return this completed form to Michelle Peterson at Center Montessori School  
*\*before\* you place your first order!*

**To be completed by all who participate in TRIP (please print)**

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_ First name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

➤ Enrolled families: List the names of your current student(s)

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

➤ Future families: Complete this part if your first child is not yet enrolled at CMS

Projected \_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ enrollment:

Child's \_\_\_\_\_ name:

Future family phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Future family email: \_\_\_\_\_

Future family address: \_\_\_\_\_

➤ Friends of CMS: No children currently enrolled at CMS

You may direct your earnings toward (please check one). Choose only one family, please.

\_\_\_ Family of \_\_\_\_\_ List student(s) name 1. \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Lifelong Learner's Financial Aid Fund 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to keep my donation confidential? \_\_\_Yes \_\_\_No

We have read, understood, and will abide by the policies of the TRIP program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

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TRIP Program Frequently Asked Questions

**Q: What is TRIP and how does it work?**

A: TRIP is a program designed to put money back into education through the purchase of gift cards. Here's an example of how it works:

You plan on purchasing a new major home appliance at Sears. Instead of purchasing directly from Sears, you utilize TRIP for your purchase. You recognize that Land's End cards offer a 17% rebate, and can be used at Sears, versus purchasing a Sears card with a 5% rebate. You make your \$400 TRIP purchase through CMS. At Sears, you use your gift card to pay for your purchase of \$350.00. The remaining balance is kept on your card (you may wish to record this balance on the face of your card using a Sharpie). Land's End gives CMS a rebate (or profit) of 17% for the card you purchased through the CMS TRIP program, that is \$68 back to the school: 80% of this rebate (\$54.40) will be credited against your child's tuition costs and 20% (\$13.60) will be used for administrative costs by the school.

**Q: What is the administrative cost?**

A: Administrative costs of running the TRIP program include postage, office supplies, and computer software to record TRIP family rebates. If TRIP has a profit at the end of the year, the money will be given to the Lifelong Learners' Financial Aid Fund to be used to help any new students that may need financial assistance for tuition.

**Q: When and where can I place my orders?**

A: Orders can be placed anytime using the website [www.shopwithscrip.com](http://www.shopwithscrip.com). PrestoPay is the most convenient way to pay for purchases, however, checks payable to CEPA will still be accepted. **The deadline for each week is Tuesday at 9am.** Keep in mind that ScripNow \*must\* be paid using PrestoPay and all check payments \*must\* be received by weekly Tuesday 9am deadline. Any "Shop with Scrip" orders unpaid after that deadline will be canceled or held for the following week's orders (if paid on time).

**Q: How long does it take for the gift cards to come in?**

A: Orders that are received each Tuesday by 9am will be processed and delivered by Thursday afternoon. Orders that are received after the 9am cutoff will be processed the following Tuesday.

**Q: How can I further decrease my tuition?**

A: Get your friends and family members involved! Anyone can assist you in receiving tuition rebate credits. Each person does need to complete a TRIP Family Registration Form and understand the policies fully before participating.

Still have more questions? Please contact Michelle Peterson at 941-753-4987 or email at [mpeterson@centermontessori.org](mailto:mpeterson@centermontessori.org)