

Fundraising 101

The following is a list of fundraisers we are *planning* to offer this year to help decrease your \$350 Family Fundraising Obligation (FFO).

- **Grocery Program** – Gift cards for Shaw’s, Stop & Shop or Trucchi’s are sold in \$25, \$50 or \$100 denominations, and 5% of your total order is credited to your FFO. Stop and Shop cards can also be used for purchases thru Peapod or at their gas kiosks. Program starts the week of 9/16 and runs all year. Your first order can be written on plain paper and sent with a check to the office. Directions for re-ordering will come home in a pink envelope with your first order.
- **Otis Spunkmeyer** – one of our most popular programs offers Otis Spunkmeyer frozen cookie dough and other items, with 40% of your sales credited to your FFO. We are looking to kick-off mid-September with cookie dough being delivered (hopefully) by Thanksgiving break.
- **Shop with Scrip** – our popular online, pre-Christmas fundraiser allows you to purchase a variety of gift cards from retailers throughout the country. The percentage credited to your FFO varies based on cards purchased. This typically launches late October with cards delivered before the Thanksgiving break.
- **Rebel Run** – the kids’ favorite! Your student gets sponsors to pledge them for laps run (or walked) and prizes for sponsorship. You get **10%** of what they raise deducted from your FFO. Rebel Run will take place during Catholic Schools Week ‘25. *We are using a new program this year to decrease the operating expenses of this fundraiser.*
- **World’s Finest Chocolate** – We will be offering the variety box of World’s Finest chocolate bars. This program offers 40-45% of sales (depending on overall school order size) credited to your FFO. This will likely take place late April/early May ‘25
- Lastly, parent tickets purchased for our May 2nd **Benefit Banquet** will result in a \$25 per ticket credit to your FFO (2 tickets credit max).

Please note that SchoolStore purchases/gift card donations are NOT tied to FFO. Gift cards go directly to the teachers to help with classroom supplies. Also, all SEC fundraisers – with the exception of the Benefit Banquet – DO NOT apply to your FFO. SEC fundraising is in addition to Family Fundraising.

More information on all programs will come home as they kick off. If you have additional questions, please feel free to call the office.

God Bless, Mrs. Reis