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Dear SJS Parents,

This letter is a brief overview of the <u>Shop Rite Card Program</u>—a fundraiser that runs throughout the school year. *It is one of the easiest ways to raise funds for SJS*. It's just like buying a gift card to any store. You purchase the gift card from the school at face value and use it just like cash. ShopRite sells SJS the cards at a discount of 5% which means that the school realizes \$75 dollars on each family's required minimum purchase of $1,500 \times 5\% = 75$. When you multiply that by the number of families in our school, it is a significant amount of funds that are raised each year that directly benefits SJS!

As agreed to upon registration, each SJS family is *required* to purchase \$1,500 worth of Shop Rite Cards during the school year, <u>or</u> make a \$75 buy-out donation. It is not necessary to purchase the cards all at one time—you can purchase weekly/monthly, or whenever it meets your family's needs. For every dollar you buy, you receive a Shop Rite Gift card(s) with the same dollar amount. We usually have \$25, \$50, & \$100 cards available.

If you would like to purchase more than the required amount, SJS will continue to receive 5% of the amount you buy. You can also offer them to friends and family members—& it would count toward your family required minimum purchase.

If for some reason you choose not buy the \$1,500 in Shop Rite Cards required, you may send in a buy-out donation of \$5 for every \$100 that is outstanding (i.e., \$75) which is what the school would realize if you were to fulfill your \$1,500 card purchase obligation.

Shop Rite Gift cards are used like cash at any Shop Rite. They work on a declining balance system. If you do not spend the full amount of the Gift card in one shopping trip, your purchase will be deducted from the face value of the card. They can be used at any Shop Rite. A new exciting feature that Shop Rite recently added is that all gift cards can be directly linked to your Shop Rite Price Plus Card—this can be done online—or on the Shop Rite App (see attached information to use as a reference). Very handy feature for any online shoppers ©

They are great for gifts and every day use! Keep in mind that you do not have to use the cards for only groceries—ShopRite also sells many different gift cards for places such as Chile's, Home Depot, AMC, Starbucks, Dunkin Donuts, American Express & Visa gift cards and many more.

The Shop Rite gift cards are available for purchase by cash or check in the office with Mrs. Lahiff during school hours. You can send monies in with your child, and Mrs. Lahiff will send the cards home to you, or you can drop by SJS during school hours and purchase them in the school office. If not available immediately, they will be sent home typically within a day or two as inventory is re-stocked.

If you have any questions about the program please do not hesitate to contact me via email at tshust@frontiernet.net or call/text me at 845-800-1589. *Thank you in advance for your support!*

