

TROOP 401 - Kroger Gift Certificate Scout Reimbursement Policy

Background

The Troop has been participating in the Kroger Gift Certificate fund raising program for several years. The funds earned by scout sales (5 percent of sales) are split 50-50 between the Troop and the scout. Some scouts regularly participate in the program having earned over \$100 each for the Troop and themselves.

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to clarify how scouts may be reimbursed for expenses from credits earned through the Kroger Gift Certificate fund raising program. Prior to implementing this policy, scouts could use their earned credits to cover expenses incurred on Troop outings and for Summer Camp. Several scouts have considerable credit balances even though they have used their credits for many outings.

Details

In addition to using gift certificates for Troop outings and summer camp, scouts will now be allowed to use their gift certificate credits for the purchase of scout related gear as outlined herein. The scout must have attended at least six outing in the last 12 months and only credit balances over and above \$50.00 will be eligible for scout related gear. In other words, if a scout has a credit balance of \$80.00 and requests reimbursement for an item costing \$40.00, the scout will be reimbursed \$30.00.

This \$50.00 balance recognizes that the primary purpose of the credit program is to provide scouts with assistance in the scout outdoor program.

Each purchase must be approved by the scout's parent and also the Scoutmaster (or assistant) prior to purchase and reimbursement. The following priority list will be used as a guide for purchase approvals.

Priority One

Pocket Knife
Rain Gear
Flashlight
Compass
Sleeping Bag (Mummy style 20F)
Sleeping Pad (Close Cell Foam Type)

Priority Three

Backpack
Backpack Stove
Backpacking Water Filter
Day Pack or Hip Sack
Tent

Priority Two

Hiking Boots
Long Underwear (polypropylene)
Wool Socks