

Beverly Montessori School Harvest Program Overview

Welcome to Beverly Montessori School's Harvest Program! The Harvest Program is an ongoing fundraising program for the school. Each school family is required to accumulate \$300 in credit by purchasing gift cards for their own use (or \$150 for families that start in the second semester). These gift cards are offered by national and local retailers. Our school purchases these gift cards at a discounted rate (the rate varies by retailer), and then resells them to our families at face value using an online system (details below). The difference (savings) goes towards your \$300 requirement. Once a family has fulfilled their \$300 obligation, the amount earned over your \$300 is awarded as a tuition credit to the family. Each school family also has the option of paying the \$300 upfront and declining participation in Harvest.

We have compiled a list of questions and answers for you that should address any concerns you may have:

When can I start earning?

The earning period is from May 1st through April 30th. Families can begin earning at any time during this period.

Who can participate and earn for my family?

The program is open to everyone, not just BMS families. Anyone (grandparents, aunts, uncles, and neighbors) is welcome to place orders on your family's behalf. To ensure that your family gets credit for their earnings, they will need to set up an online account (see below) and then email our Harvest coordinator (erinhealyross@hotmail.com) to inform her who to connect their account to.

Moreover, families can create an account and decide to donate their earnings directly to Beverly Montessori School.

Would you show me a sample order?

Sample Order

\$100 County Fair @ 5% = \$5
\$20 Park Cleaners @ 10% = \$2
\$50 Speedway @ 4% = \$2
\$10 Dunkin' Donuts @ 3% = .30

\$25 CVS @ 6% = \$1.50
\$20 Barraco's Pizza @ 10% = \$2
\$50 Pappy's @ 5% = \$2.50
.....**Total Spent = \$275.00**
.....**Total Generated = \$15.30**

An order generating \$15.30 per week over 52 weeks in the year totals \$795.60. Here is what it means to your family: \$795.60 - \$300 obligation = \$495.60 applied to your child's tuition in the form of a credit.

How do I get started purchasing gift cards?

We are pleased to offer a more convenient way for families to participate in the Harvest program. Families will submit BMS Harvest orders online by placing an order for cards through the mobile app, **RaiseRight**, found in the app store, or at <https://www.raiseright.com/>.

Each family who chooses to participate must establish an account.

By participating in the online ordering program, you agree that any charges or penalties incurred due to insufficient funds are the responsibility of the family purchasing the gift cards. Further, access to online ordering will be suspended if tuition payments are not current.

Here are the instructions to enroll:

1. Go to [raiseright.com](https://www.raiseright.com) and select "Join a Program"
2. You will be prompted to enter BMS's enrollment code which is **B9419894334L**
3. You will then be able to create your user name and complete the registration page
4. If you have any difficulty getting set up online, please contact Raise Right customer service at 1-800-727-4715 choose option 3.

This online ordering option is still a bit new for our school, so please bear with us as we work out any kinks.

How do I place an order?

All ordering is done online. (see above instructions)

See this link for the full list and the percentage that they pay back <https://www.raiseright.com/brands>. This is found in the app as well. And we also keep gift cards from various local retailers in stock at the school for faster order-filling.

For orders from retailers not on our stock list, orders take about 5 days for you to receive them.

For orders from our local retailers that are on our stock list, it will be filled the same day or the next day. Please note that on occasion we temporarily run out of stock for a certain retailer. You will be informed if this happens and will receive this item ASAP or have the option to choose a different retailer. *Thank you in advance for your understanding on this.* Below is the list of retailers we keep in stock.

Barraco's Pizza	Everything's Relative	Panera Bread	Swanson's Beverly Ritz
Belle Up	Fontano's	Pappy's	Subway
Beverly Bakery	Fox's	Park Cleaners	Target
Bialy's Café Too	Jewel	Potbelly	Top Notch
Calabria	Kohl's	Rainbow Cone	Tranquility
Chipolte	LaFiesta	Rosangela's Pizza	Walgreens
Chi Tung	Mariano's/Roundy's	Sesame Inn	Wal-Mart/Sam's Club
County Fair	Meijer	Speedway	
CVS	Milano's	Starbucks	

Your order will be sent home with your child (or arrange pick-up with Erin Ross during summer months). New families earning before their child starts school will be contacted by the office and can pick up their orders at the school.

Orders need to be prepaid. The online ordering system allows for easy bank account payments for a small fee per order or you can choose to “pay coordinator directly” and send cash or a check into the school, checks made out to “BMS Harvest”. However, the school must receive the cash or check payment by the deadline before the order will be pushed.

If you prefer to have your order mailed directly to you, you may purchase directly from Raise Right and have the cards mailed to you for a nominal fee.

Lastly, you may order online for an immediate gift card using what is called the Raise Right egift card option. For example, if I was at Walmart and decided to purchase something I can log onto my account and purchase a gift card that is available almost immediately. I simply show my phone to the cashier, they scan it, and that's it. Another example is if I was shopping on Amazon- before checking out, I could log onto my account and purchase a gift card that is available a few minutes later, then copy the e-gift card number and paste it into my Amazon account at check out to apply to that order. Not all retailers participate in egift cards, but the amount that do is growing.

How do I earn during the summer months?

During the summer months, you can still be earning!

To have orders delivered directly to your home or to receive the e-gift cards, follow the same process as above.

To place your orders with no fee or to obtain stock orders during the summer months, you will follow the same process and contact Erin Ross by email: erinhealyross@hotmail.com for pick up arrangements. She manages our Harvest program and is very accommodating and flexible. If you are having trouble reaching her by email, she can also be reached by phone/text at 773-415-8778.

Feel free to contact the school office as well if you are in need of further assistance, but keep in mind that the staff has shortened office hours during the summer months so there may be a delay in responding. Thank You!

How will I know how much I have earned through the Harvest Program?

Your order information is saved in the online system. There is an option to run a report to view your total earnings for any custom dates, via the website under Family Functions menu item. There is also a history of each purchase you make and the corresponding earnings on the app and website. You may also contact the school to obtain your earnings amount.

If you fail to earn \$300 in purchases (or \$150 for families that start in the second semester), you will pay in May for the difference, as the \$300 is required. You must fulfill your responsibility by April 30th each school year.

If I exceed the \$300 requirement how do I apply my tuition credit to Beverly Montessori School?

Tuition credits will be applied to your May 15th payment.

Who do I contact if I have questions about the Harvest Program?

Questions on purchases/special orders – Erin Ross – 773-415-8778 or erinhealyross@hotmail.com.

Questions on account balance/tuition credit/stock orders – Rachael Hernandez – 773-239-7635 or rhernandez@beverlymontessori.org.

Thank you for your support!