

CAMPA TRPs Frequently Asked Questions

Q 1. What are TRPs and why would we need them?

A TRPs stand for "Trip Reward Points". These are points that are accumulated by CAMPA families for designated fundraising events. These include family fundraising bingos, and other activities as announced by the CAMPA fundraising team each year. CAMPA has currently designated the Sobeys/Safeway gift card fundraiser to earn TRPs. One TRP is equivalent to one dollar, and can be applied to music tour fees for any student in the family.

Q 2. Why do I have to spend my TRPs only on music tour fees? Why can't I use them for uniform fees or other music program expenses?

A Each year, CAMPA applies for a Class B Bingo Charitable Gaming Event Lottery Licence so that we can participate in fundraising bingos. The licence requires CAMPA to comply with the accepted the use of proceeds which are governed under *The Alcohol and Gaming Regulation Act, 1997* and *The Gaming Regulations, 2002* and outlined in detail in the Charitable Gaming Licensing Manual from the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority (SLGA). For CAMPA, funds earned via fundraising bingos must be applied to specific expenses, which are transportation, meal, and accommodation costs of music program travel. Since the majority of TRPs are earned through these bingos, the use of all TRP funds are applied under these same rules.

Q 3. How do I earn TRPs?

A To work a fundraising bingo, contact Maureen Pennington, Bingo Coordinator for CAMPA, at <u>maupennington@gmail.com</u> to advise her that you are a CAMPA family and would like to be added to the bingo distribution listing. You will then receive emails from Maureen advising of upcoming bingo dates and requesting you to email her with dates you wish to work, and the names of those in your family who will be working at the bingo(s). Similarly, Maureen has access to other fundraising activities that CAMPA families can work to earn TRPs, such as football games, concerts, Craven, and other organizations' bingos. After each event that your family works, Maureen will confirm your attendance to CAMPA so that your family's TRP account can be allocated points for that event. For other TRP-designated fundraising activities through CAMPA, watch for CAMPA notices to be distributed to your email and on the campa.ca website.

Q 4. How many TRP points do I earn for working a bingo?

A Each family member who works the bingo earns 50 TRP points. This equates to \$50 in tour fees that can be offset. More than one family member can work at the same bingo, and you can also bring a friend to work for you. Please note that those attending must be at least 16 years of age, due to the nature of the work (e.g. counting and handling money). For other

TRP-earning events, specifics on the TRPs that can be earned and other details will be provided at the time.

Q 5. What are the responsibilities involved in working a bingo?

A There are various duties involved, which have been summarized in a Bingo Volunteer Job Description for CAMPA available under Fundraising and Events / Bingos on the campa.ca website: <u>campa.ca/pages/bingos</u>. Please ensure that you familiarize yourself with these qualifications and expectations before volunteering.

Q 6. Where are the bingos located?

A The bingos are located at Centennial Bingo, 2311 2nd Avenue, Regina.

Q 7. How many bingos are there during the year?

A Typically, there are 2-3 bingos offered for CAMPA families to work each month. This includes the summer months. Maureen provides as much notice as possible on upcoming dates to those who sign up for the notices via email.

Q 8. What days of the week are bingos?

A Bingos offered for CAMPA families can be any day of the week, and usually vary. Maureen provides as much notice as possible so that the families who are interested can check their schedules.

Q 9. How long are the bingos?

A Bingos offered for CAMPA families are typically about four to five hours long and start at 5:00 pm on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights and holidays. On other days of the week, they start at 5:30 pm. Workers must arrive 15 minutes ahead of the start time to get ready.

Q 10. What if I sign up to attend a bingo, but can't make it?

A It is very important that you contact Maureen as soon as possible should an emergency arise and you are unable to attend. Otherwise, there will be a shortage of workers for the bingo. You can arrange to have a substitute work on your behalf, as long as you provide Maureen with the name of that person. Or, if you are unable to arrange your own substitute, with enough notice Maureen can arrange for people from other fundraising groups to fill in for any shortage of CAMPA families. Since CAMPA currently has a favourable relationship with our bingo coordinator, we have the privilege of being offered bingo dates which are more advantageous, and we want to maintain this good relationship by continuing to honour our commitments on the dates we signed up to work, or providing as much notice as possible if an emergency situation prevents our attendance.

Q 11. Does CAMPA receive any funds from these bingos?

A Yes, for every bingo that is assigned for CAMPA families to work, CAMPA earns a percentage of the profits on that night's bingo. These funds are applied to CAMPA's bingo account to help subsidize music tour costs. As well, the Saskatchewan Liquor and Gaming Authority (SLGA) provides a grant based on a percentage of these profits, which goes to CAMPA's operating account to help offset other Campbell's music program costs, such as clinicians, equipment, etc. As you can see, bingo fundraising is a major source of revenue for CAMPA.

Q 12. How does CAMPA keep track of the TRPs earned by each family, and how do we know how many TRPs we have earned?

A For fundraising bingos, CAMPA's TRP Administrator receives a listing of the CAMPA family members who worked each bingo, and enters the appropriate number of TRPs into that family's TRP Account on a spreadsheet. Similarly, for other TRP-designated fundraising activities, the appropriate number of TRPs is entered. A summary of recent TRPs earned and the current Account Balance is emailed to the family on a periodic basis, and a year-end overall summary of TRPs earned, used, and Account Balance is emailed after the July 31st fiscal year-end is completed. Families can also request an update to be emailed to them if they haven't recently accumulated new TRPs and can't recall how many points are in their account. These requests should be directed to <u>admin@campa.ca</u>.

Q 13. What if we don't use up all of the points our family has earned during the year?

A TRPs can be carried over to future years, as long as the family has a student actively in the Campbell Music Program. If, however, there is no longer a student active in the program, then any TRPs that remain in the family's account are transferred to CAMPA's Student Assistance Fund to help other students who require financial assistance in offsetting their music tour fees.

Q 14. Why can't our family get a refund if there are left-over TRPs in our family account when our student is no longer active in the Campbell music program?

A In order to comply with the regulations that allow CAMPA to participate in bingo fundraisers, the proceeds earned can only be applied to Campbell's Music Program travel expenses. CAMPA applies these same rules for all TRPs earned.

Q 15. What is the process for applying our family's TRPs to our student's music tour fees? Is this automatic, or do I need to do something?

A If a family wants to apply TRPs that have been earned to offset a music tour fee, then select the "TRP Tour Payments Only" button on the online payment tool (which can be found on

the <u>campa.ca</u> website under the "Music Tours / Tour Payments" heading). Follow the instructions on the website to "purchase" the TRP payment item, indicating under "Quantity" the number of TRPs that you wish to apply to this particular payment, and completing the checkout process for \$0. Please note that, due to the additional work required by CAMPA volunteers to process only part of a tour payment in TRPs and the remainder as a separate online payment, we prefer that you have sufficient TRPs in your family account to cover the full tour payment amount.

Q 16. What if I want to apply some TRPs to a tour payment, but we don't have enough in our family's TRP account for the full payment that is due?

A As stated above, this requires additional work by our CAMPA volunteers, but if you need to make a partial TRP tour payment, use the same process described above and add a note in the "Student Name" box requesting that all TRPs earned to date be applied. A CAMPA volunteer will contact you by email with a special payment link that you can then use to pay the remainder of the tour payment online. These partial payments, if required, are easier for CAMPA to accommodate on the final tour payment whenever possible.

Q 17. What if I have another question – who do I contact?

A Please email <u>admin@campa.ca</u> and a CAMPA volunteer will respond as soon as possible.