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## North Little Rock Teacher Wins 7<sup>th</sup> Highest Natural State Jackpot Prize

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LITTLE ROCK— A ticket purchased just ten minutes before last night's *Natural State Jackpot* draw break led to a winning day for Shirley Palmer of North Little Rock. The first grade teacher at Miss Selma's today claimed the *Natural State Jackpot* \$255,000 winning jackpot. It was the seventh largest jackpot amount since the game's introduction in August of 2012.

Palmer bought the \$1 ticket at the Lakewood Exxon at 2501 McCain Blvd. in North Little Rock. She says she picked her winning numbers by making different designs on the play slip. She plans to help some families in need with her winnings and to put the rest into savings as she prepares for retirement.

The Arkansas Scholarship Lottery's *Natural State Jackpot* game is played, and won, only in Arkansas. The jackpot prize starts at \$25,000 and increases by \$5,000 every draw until the jackpot is won. The game draws 6 nights a week, Monday through Saturday. Overall odds of winning a prize in the game are 1 in 9. Odds of winning the jackpot are 1 in 575,757.

The game's largest jackpot, \$410,000, was won in Cabot in April of 2014. The second largest jackpot, \$345,000, was won in North Little Rock; the third, \$335,000, in Jacksonville; the fourth, \$310,000, in Dardanelle; the fifth, \$295,000, in both Lepanto and Beebe; and the sixth largest jackpot, \$270,000, was won in Morrilton.

### **About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery**

More than 92 cents of every dollar of Lottery revenue goes to prizes, scholarships, retailer commissions and other expenses in Arkansas.

Since Lottery sales started in 2009, the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery has provided nearly \$700 million for in-state college scholarships to Arkansas students, nearly \$2 billion in prizes to players and nearly \$175 million in commissions to Lottery retailers.

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