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## **Arkansas Lottery Reminds Consumers to Gift Responsibly, Says Tickets Are Not For Children**

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. – Scratch-off tickets, including the \$5 Razorbacks® ticket, from the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery (ASL) are great items for holiday gifts and stocking stuffers, but they are not intended for children.

“We urge everyone to remember to give lottery tickets only to people who are 18 years or older, as required by law.” said ASL Director Bishop Woosley. “We want to help raise awareness regarding the risks of underage lottery play.”

The Arkansas Scholarship Lottery participates in the National Responsible Gambling Campaign spearheaded by the National Council on Problem Gambling and the International Centre for Youth Gambling Problems and High-Risk Behaviors at McGill University.

Studies show that lottery scratch-off tickets can present a possible gateway to other gambling activities and, unfortunately, many problem gamblers trace their issues to childhood.

“To help stop children from developing a gambling problem, we encourage adults to be active partners with us in preventing lottery tickets from ending up in the hands of minors,” Woosley said. “We encourage all Arkansans to gift responsibly.”

Help for problem gambling is available by calling or texting the 24-hour confidential National Problem Gambling Helpline at 1-800-522-4700.

Have fun this holiday season, play responsibly and good luck with that holiday to-do list.

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### **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 2009, the lottery has raised more than \$902 million in proceeds for scholarships. More than 540,000 college scholarships have been awarded to Arkansans. The lottery has paid more than \$3 billion in prizes to players,

about \$261 million in retailer commissions and more than \$129 million in state and federal tax revenue.

Follow the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#). Visit [MyArkansasLottery.com](#) for more information on scholarships, winners, games, odds, promotions – and to join The Club for free. To hear winning numbers, call the Winning Numbers Hotline at 501-682-IWON (4966). To get help with problem gambling, contact the National Problem Gambling Helpline at 1-800-522-4700.



**TICKETS AREN'T TOYS.  
GIFT RESPONSIBLY!**  
MUST BE 18+ TO PLAY

**10 YEARS**  
Arkansas  
Scholarship Lottery

Call 1-800-522-4700 for Problem Gambling Helpline.

The image shows two \$20 scratch-off tickets for the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery Millionaires Club. The top ticket is partially scratched, revealing a grid of dollar signs. A red ribbon is tied around the tickets. The background is a solid red color with a faint circular pattern.