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Lottery Tickets Make Great Stocking Stuffers, But Not for Anyone Under the Age of 18

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. – The gift-giving season is officially upon us, so you know what that means – long to-do lists and hours spent looking for that perfect present. But don't worry; the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery's (ASL) scratch-off tickets can solve that problem.

Instant tickets make great stocking stuffers and the perfect gift for co-workers, the mailman, that white elephant party or that special someone. The best part is you don't even have to wrap them; however, if you are buying for children, lottery products belong on the naughty list.

"We urge everyone to remember during the holidays – or anytime for that matter – only to give lottery tickets to people 18 years old or older," said ASL Executive Director Eric Hagler. "We want to help raise awareness regarding the risks of underage lottery play."

The Arkansas Scholarship Lottery is participating in the 2023 Gift Responsibly Campaign spearheaded by the [National Council on Problem Gambling](#) and the International Centre for Youth Gambling Problems and High-Risk Behaviors at McGill University. The campaign is designed to increase public awareness of the impact and inappropriateness of giving lottery products as gifts to minors.

"We are pleased to join this campaign again this year to encourage responsible play and gift-giving this holiday season," Hagler said. "We encourage adults to be active partners in preventing lottery tickets from ending up in the hands of minors."

In addition to the Gift Responsibly campaign, the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery promotes responsible play year-round by reminding players to Discover Winning Wisdom and are encouraged to visit [The Player's Hub](#) on the lottery website to become a more informed player.

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

About the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery

More than 92 cents of every dollar of ASL revenue goes to prizes, scholarships, retailer commissions, and other expenses in Arkansas. Since 2009, the lottery has raised more than \$1.3 billion in proceeds for scholarships. More than 720,000 college scholarships have been awarded to Arkansans. The lottery has awarded more than \$4.7 billion in prizes to players, about \$398 million in retailer commissions, and provided more than \$172 million in state and federal tax revenue.

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