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Lottery To Offer Retailers Reduction in Fees; To Redeem Large Prizes by Appointment

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LITTLE ROCK, Ark. – Per Governor Asa Hutchinson’s directives, the Arkansas Scholarship Lottery (ASL) will be suspending licensing fees for the 1,971 retailers in the state to ease their financial burden being felt due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Beginning Monday, ASL will suspend the collection of the following retailer fees for a period of 90 days:

- Weekly System Fee - \$5 per week
- Retailer Bond Fee - \$50 per year
- Retailer License Renewal Fee - \$50 every two years
- Retailer Application Fee - \$100
- Additional Location Fee - \$25
- Change of Location Fee - \$25
- Change of Responsible Person Fee - \$50

“We want to do what we can in these strangely uncertain times to help our retailers,” said ASL Director Bishop Woosley. “The coronavirus pandemic is affecting all businesses, and our retailers are no different. Our retailers are our business partners, and we want to give them a break to help them stay open. We certainly couldn’t do what we do without them.”

Also beginning Monday, winners of \$25,000 or more can claim their prizes in person or by mail. However, to claim large prizes in person it must be by appointment only at the Claims Center, 124 W. Capitol Ave. in Little Rock. Appointments can be made for any Monday, Wednesday or Friday between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Appointments may be made by emailing the Claim Center Manager Sandra Cummings at sandra.cummings@arkansas.gov. Anyone who schedules an appointment should go to MyArkansasLottery.com/ClaimYourPrize to print a claim form and have it filled out before arriving.

All prizes less than \$25,000 must be redeemed by mail. Winners should go to the link above to print a claim form and fill it out. Then mail the completed form along with the winning ticket (signed and filled out on the back) and a copy of photo identification to ASL, P.O. Box 3838, Little Rock, AR 72203.

"We continue to monitor the situation daily and will keep the public informed as things evolve," Woosley said. "Our goal is to continue lottery operations and to help protect the health and safety of the public and our employees until this outbreak is under control."

To the extent possible, the ASL may extend deadline dates to redeem tickets.

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 \$930 million in proceeds for scholarships. More than 542,000 college scholarships have been awarded to Arkansans. The lottery has awarded more than \$3 billion in prizes to players, about \$271 million in retailer commissions and provided more than \$131 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.

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