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## 15-YEAR *CASH FIVE*® PLAYER FROM OKLAHOMA CLAIMS WEDNESDAY'S TOP PRIZE WORTH \$21,914

(AUSTIN) – While watching the news, Dianne McColister of Fort Towson, Oklahoma, noticed that the winning *Cash Five*® numbers from last night's drawing looked familiar, 15 – 2 – 24 – 10 – 36. They were the same numbers she's played many times before, and as she checked her *Cash Five* ticket sitting conveniently nearby, she realized she'd won.



“I wasn’t sure at first. Then I checked again. It was great,” said McColister.

She brought her winning ticket to the Texas Lottery® claim center in Dallas this morning to retrieve her prize of \$21,914, and she says she’ll continue to play.

“I’ve been playing for about 15 years, off and on,” she explained. “I’ve played other games, but I haven’t gotten this lucky until now. I thank the Lord for this.”

This was the only ticket to match all five numbers for last night’s drawing. Another 64 tickets matched four of five numbers for second-tier prizes worth \$154 each. Overall odds of winning any *Cash Five* prize are one in eight.

“Many of our players enjoy the improved odds and easy playstyle offered by the *Cash Five* game,” said Texas Lottery Commission Executive Director Gary Grief. “It’s great to see a long-time player like Ms. McColister win the top prize.”

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McColister purchased her ticket at the Arthur City Superette located at 12532 U.S. Highway 271 N. in Arthur City, and the store will benefit from her good luck. For selling the winning ticket, the Arthur City Superette is eligible for a retailer bonus of \$219.14.

A plan is already in place for the prize money according to McColister. She will use it to pay some bills and do some work on her home. She only has one piece of advice for other Texas Lottery players: “You can’t win if you don’t play!”

Tomorrow’s *Mega Millions*<sup>®</sup> jackpot is an estimated \$16 million. Saturday’s *Powerball*<sup>®</sup> jackpot is an estimated \$52 million, and the *Lotto Texas*<sup>®</sup> jackpot is an estimated \$19 million.

For more information about the Texas Lottery, please visit the official website at **[www.txlottery.org](http://www.txlottery.org)**.

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