



REAL *Winners*

IN EDUCATION



Missouri Lottery Host Alex Ellison, (left) recognizes "Real Winner" Phyllis Washington (right).

Principal Phyllis Washington and her school, E.F. Swinney Elementary School, have won four major state and national education awards within the past year. And, when people ask her the secret to her success, the first word out of her mouth is "we."

It appears that "we" is the key word at this school because every task and activity is carried out by working together as a team.

Washington says she and her teachers at Swinney have the same goals - caring about children and trying to find ways to motivate them.

To accomplish these goals, they continually work to improve their teaching skills.

"We spend countless hours in staff training," she said. One of her goals for Swinney is to develop social skills for children, especially those who are considered "low-risk."

Washington is a member of the Board of Directors of the Learning Exchange. One of her charges in this capacity is to act as a liaison between other educators and the

Kansas City School District. She is also working to improve the plight of "at-risk" students through a Learning Exchange Committee.

The Missouri Lottery Real Winners Program was established to honor "Winners" like Phyllis Washington. Recommended by civic and community leaders from across the state, these winners are people who have made a positive impact on their community.

The Missouri Lottery salutes Phyllis Washington and people like her who make a real difference in our community. These are the Real Missouri Winners!



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