



# Employer *Bulletin*

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## Benefit Presentations Set for September – November 2011

The Department of Employee Trust Funds (ETF) will offer free public presentations on Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) benefits in September, October, and November. These WRS workshops are valuable opportunities for WRS members, spouses, and other individuals seeking general information on retirement issues and other ETF-administered benefit programs. Those considering or planning retirement in the near future are encouraged to attend; however, the information is useful for all WRS members.

Topics covered during the presentations include:

- Requesting a retirement estimate
- Calculating retirement benefits
- Annuity options
- Separation benefits
- Taxes
- Survivor benefits
- Health and life insurance benefits
- Beneficiary designations
- Statement of benefits
- Additional contributions

Attached to this *Bulletin* is a list of presentation dates and locations. No reservations are needed. All locations are handicap accessible.

Feel free to reproduce the attached page for display at your work site. Take a moment to highlight any presentation(s) held in your area. We encourage you to use internal means of communication such as employee newsletter, Intranet, or e-mail to promote this valuable learning opportunity to your employees.

For more information on the fall schedule, please call ETF at (877) 533-5020 to speak to the field program coordinator.

## Customer Service Hours Expanded

ETF is pleased to announce a permanent change to the Customer Service Call Center – hours are now 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The change, effective immediately, provides members with greater access to ETF at a time of increasing demand for services.

Please note: Access to the building remains unchanged; doors are open from 7:45 am - 4:30 pm, Monday through Friday.

In addition, members can also reach ETF via secure e-mail. An ETF staff member will aim to respond within 4 days. To schedule an appointment with a benefits specialist, call ETF at 1-877-533-5020.



**Fall 2011 WRS PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS**

To Help You Better Understand  
The Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) & Related Benefits

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NOTE: Watch the online video of this presentation from the convenience of home. Look for the video "Your WRS Benefits" at <http://etf.wi.gov/webcasts.htm>.

CITY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Fond du Lac	10/20/11 (Thurs)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Moraine Park Technical College – Cafeteria A109</b> 235 N. National Ave., Fond du Lac
Green Bay	9/12/11 (Mon)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Northeast Wisconsin Technical College - Lecture Hall SC132</b> 2740 W. Mason St., Green Bay
Kenosha	11/03/11 (Thurs)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Gateway Technical College – Madrigano Auditorium</b> 3520 30 <sup>th</sup> Ave., Kenosha
Madison	10/04/11 (Tues)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Madison College</b> (Madison Area Technical College) <b>Truax Campus – Mitby Theater</b> 3550 Anderson St., Madison
Milwaukee	11/16/11 (Wed)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>UW Milwaukee – UWM Union Ballroom</b> 2200 E. Kenwood Blvd., Milwaukee
Platteville	10/10/11 (Mon)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Platteville High School – Auditorium</b> 710 E. Madison St., Platteville
Rhineland	9/14/11 (Wed)	6:30 - 8:30 pm	<b>Nicolet Area Technical College – The Nicolet Theatre</b> College Dr. & Hwy G, Rhineland
River Falls	10/20/11 (Thurs)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>River Falls High School – Auditorium</b> 818 Cemetery Rd., River Falls
Superior	10/05/11 (Wed)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>UW Superior – Yellowjacket Union Great Room</b> 1605 Catlin Ave., Superior
Wisconsin Rapids	9/27/11 (Tues)	6:30 - 8:30 pm	<b>Lincoln Senior High School – Performing Arts Center</b> 1801 16 <sup>th</sup> St. South, Wisconsin Rapids

If weather becomes severe, listen to local radio stations for possible cancellations.

Tentative Spring 2012 WRS Presentations set for: Appleton, Eau Claire, Hayward, Janesville, La Crosse, Madison, Marinette, Pewaukee, Racine, and Wausau.

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