



# Employer *Bulletin*

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## Benefit Presentations Set for March – April 2013

The Department of Employee Trust Funds (ETF) will offer free public presentations on Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) benefits in March and April. These WRS presentations are valuable opportunities for WRS members, their spouses, and other individuals to learn more about ETF-administered WRS benefit programs.

Topics covered during the presentation include:

- Calculating retirement benefits
- Annuity options
- Separation benefits
- Taxes
- Survivor benefits
- Health and life insurance benefits

Included with this *Employer Bulletin* is the schedule for the Spring 2013 WRS benefit presentations. No reservations are needed.

Feel free to reproduce the attached schedule for display at your work site. Take a moment to highlight any presentation(s) held in your area. If you have an internal means of communication (employee newsletter, e-mail, intranet, etc.), we encourage you to inform employees about any public presentation(s) and group appointments in your area.

In addition to bi-annual public presentations, ETF offers other free presentations around the state.

- Group appointments are done frequently. The purpose of these group presentations is to go over the retirement application from top to bottom, cover important issues not on the application (e.g., annuity adjustments, return to work laws, etc.), and to answer all questions. **Members are strongly encouraged to attend a presentation prior to turning in their signed retirement application.** Retirement is one of the most important decisions made in a person's lifetime.
- Live 30-minute lunchtime webinars are coming soon for WRS members. These webinars are short and allow time for individual questions regarding the topic. Check out our online map within the next month for upcoming spring topics (e.g., annuity options, variable fund, *Statement of Benefits*, voluntary additional contributions to your retirement to increase your benefit, etc.)

An interactive map showing the presentations and group appointments available around the state can be found online at [http://etf.wi.gov/members/benefits\\_presentations.htm](http://etf.wi.gov/members/benefits_presentations.htm). This map is updated frequently. Reservations are necessary only for the group appointments. Please call the number below to schedule.

For more information or to schedule a group appointment, please call ETF toll free at (877) 533-5020 or local (608) 266-3285.



## 2013 SPRING WRS PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

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

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### SPRING 2013 SCHEDULE:

CITY	DATE	TIME	LOCATION
Appleton	3/07/13 (Thurs)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Fox Valley Tech. College – Cafeteria/Commons</b> 1825 North Bluemound Drive, Appleton
Eau Claire	3/21/13 (Thurs)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Chippewa Valley Tech. College – Auditorium (Rm 103)</b> 620 West Clairemont Avenue, Eau Claire
Hayward	4/24/13 (Wed)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Hayward High School – Auditorium</b> 10320 Greenwood Lane, Hayward
Janesville	4/04/13 (Thurs)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Blackhawk Tech. College – Cafeteria/Commons</b> 6004 South County Road G, Janesville
La Crosse	4/24/13 (Wed)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>UW La Crosse – Centennial Hall</b> Corner of Vine & 16 <sup>th</sup> Street, La Crosse (Free parking in lots C-2, C-3 & C-7) <i>Note: Social Security Administration will present at 5:00 pm.</i>
Marinette	3/18/13 (Mon)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Marinette High School – W.J. Jones Auditorium</b> 2135 Pierce Avenue, Marinette
Middleton/ Madison	3/13/13 (Wed)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Middleton High School – Performing Arts Center</b> 2100 Bristol Street, Middleton (north side of building)
Pewaukee	4/10/13 (Wed)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Waukesha Co. Tech. College – Richard T. Anderson College Ctr.</b> 800 Main Street, Pewaukee (Free parking in lots 7, 8, and 9)
Racine	3/20/13 (Wed)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Case High School – Auditorium</b> 7345 Washington Avenue, Racine
Wausau	4/10/13 (Wed)	6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Northcentral Tech. College, Center for Health Sciences Auditorium</b> 1000 West Campus Drive, Wausau

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

Tentative Fall 2013 WRS Presentations set for: Fond du Lac, Green Bay, Kenosha, Madison, Milwaukee, Platteville, Rhinelander, River Falls, Superior, and Wisconsin Rapids.