



Employer *Bulletin*

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WRS Benefit Presentations, Webinars, Group Appointments, and Benefit Fairs Set for September – December 2013

Representatives from the Department of Employee Trust Funds (ETF) frequently give presentations at a variety of locations throughout Wisconsin. These staff appearances offer members an opportunity to learn about the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) and related benefits. We encourage all members to attend an ETF presentation. Statewide benefit presentations, group appointments, webinars, and benefit fairs offer you an opportunity to ask questions of knowledgeable ETF staff. View upcoming ETF [learning opportunities](#) available in your area of the state by clicking on the map.

Fall Statewide WRS Benefits Presentations

If you are interested in learning about the full array of benefits ETF administers, attend one of the presentations below. Speakers at these events are well versed in all of our benefit programs. No reservation is needed for these events. We now offer two different benefit presentations:

1. [WRS Benefits for Employees Nearing Retirement](#)

These presentations offer valuable information **for those within five years of retirement**. At this presentation, you learn about the following topics: Annuity Options, Retirement Benefit Calculations (Money Purchase and Formula Methods), Survivor Benefits, Return to Work Rules, Purchasing Service, and More!! (See enclosed schedule.)

2. [WRS Benefits for New and Mid-Career Employees](#)

These presentations are designed **for active employees who are more than five years from retirement**. The following topics will be covered: Enhancing Your Retirement Benefit, Additional Contributions, Beneficiary Designation Forms, Vesting Requirement, Contribution Rates, and More!! (See enclosed schedule.)

Group Appointments

If you are a WRS participant who has a retirement packet/estimate and **plans to retire within the next 12 months**, we encourage you to attend a group appointment. An ETF representative will offer you a step-by-step explanation of your retirement estimate, your annuity options and the application process. You must call 1-877-533-5020 or 1-608-266-3285 to make an appointment.

Webinars

Think of a webinar as a way to attend a meeting without leaving your home or work. Using your computer and speakers or a headset, you can hear a presentation and see the presenter's slides through an Internet connection. You will be able to ask questions and benefit from the questions

asked by others. Click here to view [current webinar offerings](#). These are updated monthly with new topics so check our website for updates.

Online Videos

You may also learn about a range of ETF-administered benefits by watching these videos. You can learn at your own pace, where and when it is convenient for you. The [video library](#) offers titles on WRS benefits, employee orientation and other related benefits.

Fall Benefit/Health Fairs

ETF representatives also attend benefit fairs throughout the state. At these events, staff will be available to answer your questions on the full range of ETF benefit programs.

Note

Feel free to reproduce the attached pages 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.

Contact

If you have any questions on the information contained in this bulletin, please call ETF toll free at 1-877-533-5020 or 608-261-0153 to speak to the Outreach Program Coordinator.

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FALL 2013 WRS BENEFITS PRESENTATION FOR EMPLOYEES NEARING RETIREMENT 6:30 - 8:30 pm

*This presentation offers valuable information for those **within five years of retirement**. At this presentation, you learn about the following topics: Annuity Options, Retirement Benefit Calculations (Money Purchase and Formula Methods), Survivor Benefits, Return to Work Rules, Purchasing Service and More!!*

No registration needed. All sites are handicap accessible.

CITY	DATE	LOCATION
Fond du Lac	10/17/13 (Thurs)	Moraine Park Technical College – Cafeteria (A109) 235 North National Avenue, Fond du Lac
Green Bay	09/09/13 (Mon)	Northeast Wisconsin Technical College - Lecture Hall (SC132) 2740 West Mason Street, Green Bay
Kenosha	10/03/13 (Thurs)	Gateway Technical College – Madrigano Auditorium 3520 - 30 th Avenue, Kenosha
Madison	11/18/13 (Mon)	MATC Madison – Truax Campus ~ Mitby Theater 1701 Wright Street, Madison
Milwaukee	11/13/13 (Wed)	UW Milwaukee – UWM Student Union ~ Ballroom West 2200 East Kenwood Boulevard, Milwaukee
Platteville	09/25/13 (Wed)	Platteville High School – Auditorium 710 East Madison Street, Platteville
Rhineland	09/11/13 (Wed)	Nicolet Area Technical College – The Nicolet Theatre 5364 College Drive & Highway G, Rhineland
River Falls	10/24/13 (Thurs)	Meyer Middle School – Auditorium 230 North Ninth Street, River Falls
Superior	10/07/13 (Mon)	Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College – Conf. Center (C107-108) 600 North 21 st Street, Superior
Wisconsin Rapids	09/24/13 (Tues)	Mid-State Technical College - Auditorium 500 32 nd Street North, Wisconsin Rapids

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Tentative Spring 2014 locations: Appleton, Eau Claire, Hayward, Janesville, La Crosse, Middleton, Marinette, Pewaukee, Racine and Wausau.

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**FALL 2013 WRS BENEFITS PRESENTATION
FOR NEW & MID-CAREER EMPLOYEES
6:30 - 7:30 p.m.**

*This presentation is designed for active employees who are **more than five years away from retirement**. The following topics will be covered: Enhancing Your Retirement Benefit, Beneficiary Designation Forms, Vesting Requirement, Contribution Rates, and More!!*

No registration needed. All sites are handicap accessible.

CITY	DATE	LOCATION
Appleton	09/19/13 (Thurs)	Fox Valley Technical College - Room E130AB/CD 1825 North Bluemound Drive, Appleton
Ashland	10/09/13 (Wed)	WI Indianhead Technical College - Conference Center (Rooms 305-307_ 2100 Beaser Avenue, Ashland
Eau Claire	10/07/13 (Mon)	UW Eau Claire - Dakota Ballroom (340) 77 Roosevelt Avenue, Eau Claire
Fond du Lac	11/14/13 (Thurs)	Moraine Park Technical College - Cafeteria (A109) 235 North National Avenue, Fond du Lac
Green Bay	11/11/13 (Mon)	Northeast Wisconsin Technical College - Executive Dining Room (SC128) 2740 West Mason Street, Green Bay
Janesville	09/03/13 (Tues)	Blackhawk Technical College - North Commons (Room 1400B) 6004 South County Road G, Janesville
La Crosse	09/11/13 (Wed)	UW La Crosse – Centennial Hall - Hall of Nations (Room 1300) 1725 State Street, La Crosse
Marinette	09/24/13 (Tues)	Marinette High School – W.J. Jones Auditorium 2135 Pierce Avenue, Marinette
Pewaukee	12/16/13 (Mon)	Waukesha County Technical College - Richard T. Anderson Center 800 Main Street, Pewaukee
Platteville	11/06/13 (Wed)	Platteville High School - Auditorium 710 East Madison Street, Platteville
Racine	09/25/13 (Wed)	Case High School - Auditorium 7345 Washington Avenue (Highway 20), Racine
Rhineland	09/03/13 (Tues)	Nicolet Area Technical College - Learning Resource Center (LRC) 5350 College Drive, Rhineland
Rice Lake	11/06/13 (Wed)	UW Barron County - Blue Hills Lecture Hall 1800 College Drive, Rice Lake
Stoughton/ Madison	09/10/13 (Tues)	Stoughton High School - Cafetorium 600 Lincoln Avenue, Stoughton
Wausau	11/13/13 (Wed)	Northcentral Technical College - Auditorium 1000 West Campus Drive, Wausau
Wisconsin Rapids	11/06/13 (Wed)	Mid-State Technical College - Auditorium 500 32 nd Street North, Wisconsin Rapids

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