



# Employer *Bulletin*

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## Know Your Benefits:

## ETF Live Webinars, Group Appointments and Presentations

### Live Webinars

Each live, 30-minute webinar is conducted online by an ETF benefits specialist and focuses on a single topic of interest. Monitor our webinar schedule on the [Member Education web page](#). Better yet, sign up for [ETF E-mail Updates](#) to receive immediate notification of registration opportunities. Registration is free and fast – sign up with an email address [now](#).

ETF webinars over the next several months will cover these important topics:

- WRS employer and employee contribution rates
- Returning to work after retirement
- Steps to retire
- WRS benefits – a presentation specifically for new and mid-career employees (note: webinar runs 1 hour)
- An overview of the WRS
- Beneficiary designations
- How to read and understand your WRS annual Statement of Benefits
- WRS effective rates and annuity adjustments
- Annuity options
- Retirement benefit calculation methods
- Life insurance after retirement
- How to use our online calculator to estimate a retirement benefit

### Group Retirement Appointments

Do you know about our group retirement appointments? If you are thinking about attending a WRS public presentation, you may also want to keep in mind that we offer group appointments throughout the state.

Group appointments are designed for members who have a retirement application/estimate. An ETF benefits specialist provides an explanation of the estimate, annuity options, application process and answers questions. Call our office to get an estimate and schedule a group appointment.

Use our [interactive map](#) to find a group appointment scheduled in your area.

### Please Share This Benefit Presentation Information With Your Employees

Please post/email the attached list of dates and locations to share this information with employees. The evening presentation is important to employees of all career stages. Please also note that there are two live webinars available for this presentation.



## SPRING 2016 WRS BENEFITS PRESENTATIONS

These two-hour evening presentations are designed for all WRS members, especially those who are within five years of retirement. Topics covered at each presentation include WRS annuity options, return-to-work rules, post-retirement annuity adjustments, the Core and Variable Trust Funds, the importance of keeping a beneficiary form up to date, purchasing service before retirement, the difference between a joint survivor and a beneficiary, and how “life event” changes affect WRS-retirement benefits.

**All presentations are from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.**

No registration needed. All sites are handicap accessible.

City	Date	Location
Webinar	3/16/2016	Watch a live Webinar. <a href="#">Sign up online</a> . Select event with drop-down menu. <b>Registration required</b> , 125 person attendance limit.
Webinar	4/26/2016	Watch a live Webinar. <a href="#">Sign up online</a> . Select event with drop-down menu. <b>Registration required</b> , 125 person attendance limit.
Appleton	3/3/2016	<b>Updated 2/12/2016</b> <b>Fox Valley Technical College- Room E430-ABCD C190 ABC</b> 1825 North Bluemound Drive, Appleton (Entrance <del>40</del> 15 - West parking Lot)
Baraboo	3/22/2016	<b>Baraboo Civic Center- Gym</b> 124 2 <sup>nd</sup> Street, Baraboo
Cleveland	3/9/2016	<b>Lakeshore Technical College- Centennial Hall, Room L177</b> 1290 North Avenue, Cleveland
Eau Claire	3/17/2016	<b>Chippewa Valley Technical College- Business Education Center 103A/B</b> 620 West Clairemont Avenue, Eau Claire
Fond du Lac	4/7/2016	<b>Moraine Park Technical College- Cafeteria A109</b> 235 North National Avenue, Fond du Lac
Green Bay	4/13/2016	<b>Northeast Wisconsin Technical College- GB SC 132 Lecture Hall</b> 2740 West Mason Street, Green Bay
Hayward	4/19/2016	<b>Hayward High School- ADS Auditorium</b> 10320 Greenwood Lane, Hayward
La Crosse	4/12/2016	<b>UW La Crosse- 1309 Centennial Hall</b> Corner of Vine & 16 <sup>th</sup> Street, La Crosse
Middleton	3/10/2016	<b>Middleton High School – Courtyard</b> 2100 Bristol Street, Middleton
Milwaukee	4/5/2016	<b>UW Milwaukee – UWM Student Union ~ Ballroom West</b> 2200 East Kenwood Boulevard, Milwaukee
Pewaukee	3/15/2016	<b>Waukesha County Technical College- Richard T Anderson Center</b> 800 Main Street, Pewaukee
Platteville	3/16/2016	<b>Platteville High School- Auditorium</b> 710 East Madison Street, Platteville
Racine	4/28/2016	<b>Case High School- Auditorium</b> 7345 Washington Avenue, Racine
Rhineland	3/9/2016	<b>Nicolet Area Technical College - Learning Resource Center Theater</b> 5364 College Drive, Rhineland
River Falls	4/20/2016	<b>River Falls Meyer Middle School- Auditorium</b> 230 North Ninth Street, River Falls
Stoughton	4/27/2016	<b>Stoughton High School- Cafetorium</b> 600 Lincoln Avenue, Stoughton
Superior	4/20/2016	<b>Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College – Conf. Ctr. (C107-108)</b> 600 North 21 <sup>st</sup> Street, Superior
Wausau	4/13/2016	<b>Northcentral Technical College- 1004 Auditorium</b> 1000 West Campus Drive, Wausau
Wisconsin Rapids	3/8/2016	<b>Mid-State Technical College - Auditorium</b> 500 32 <sup>nd</sup> Street North, Wisconsin Rapids

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