

CENTRAL-WESTERN DIVISION ESP

2025 – 2026 SAVE THE DATES!

Meeting Schedule

4:45 to 5:00 p.m. Registration

5:00 to 5:30 p.m. Dinner

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Meeting/Presentation

**Location: Hoss's Steak & Sea House,
Ebensburg (*Unless Otherwise Noted)**



To register for workshops
or for more information,
please contact Debbie Weaver
at: dweaver@psea.org,
or call – 724-349-1278.
All ESP Members are Welcome!

Thursday, September 25, 2025

Bargaining BINGO! Getting to Know Your Contract

Presented By: Gary Cirelli, UniServ Representative, PSEA Central-West Region

Robert Smith, UniServ Representative, PSEA Central-West Region

This engaging workshop will encourage members to take a critical look at their contracts, and will provide the opportunity to share and compare benefits and language from all participating locals.

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

CW ESP Division Pre-Retirement Workshop – *Location – ARIN Intermediate Unit #28, Indiana

Presented By: Jamie Rutledge, CLTC, Kades-Margolis Corporation

Robert Smith, UniServ Representative, PSEA Central-West Region

This pre-retirement workshop will focus on retirement planning strategies for ESP members.

Tuesday, November 18, 2025

Understanding and Implementing Behavioral Support Plans – A Chapter 14 Paraeducator Training

Presented By: Pamela Watts, PSEA Director for Education Services

This training provides a foundational understanding of Behavioral Support Plans (BSPs). Participants will learn how BSPs are developed, key components of effective plans, and their critical role in supporting students with disabilities. The training emphasizes practical techniques for promoting positive behavior and safety in the classroom. This session equips participants with the tools and knowledge needed to effectively implement and support individualized behavioral interventions.

Thursday, March 19, 2026 – Annual Spring Meeting & Election

Building Your Member Recruitment Toolkit

Presented By: Alex Lotorto, Region Advocacy Coordinator, PSEA Central-West Region

Imagine your local has 90% or more membership. What did it take to get there? We will discuss the best way to engage current members, have tough conversations with non-members, and prepare for Spring Early Enrollment and Fall new member engagement. We will look at sample literature, practice conversations, and share tips with each other.

Thursday, May 14, 2026

ESP and EA Locals Working Together

Presented By: Lindsay Regos, UniServ Representative, PSEA Central-West Region

Robert Smith, UniServ Representative, PSEA Central-West Region

This interactive course focuses on practical steps ESP and EA members can take to create engaging classrooms and to strengthen the bonds of solidarity between locals.

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***Workshop topics, dates and times are subject to change.**

