Central-Western Division
2022-2023 Workshops

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

Thursday, September 22, 2022
Advocating for Your Members

Presenters: Robert J. Smith and Gary Cirelli, Central-Western Region UniServs
This program will focus on practical tips and pointers for becoming a great Member Advocate.

Tuesday, November 15, 2022
Internal Organizing: How to Get Members Involved in the Union

Presenter: Annie Briscoe, Central-Western Region Advocacy Coordinator
This hands-on session will ask locals to identify their current method of outreach to members, hear examples of creative ways to encourage members to get involved, and come up with an action plan for their own locals.

Tuesday, March 14, 2023
Annual Spring Meeting & Elections of Officers
Best Practices for a Safe School Environment for Your Students - A Chapter 14 Paraeducator Training (Open to All ESP Members)

Presenter: Adam Weber, PSEA UniServ Representative
This session will address practical tips for encouraging safety with students and staff in different scenarios across the various job classifications of our ESPs. With District approval, this session is eligible for one Ch. 14 credit hour.

Tuesday, May 9, 2023
Dealing with Difficult People

Presenter: Julie K. Smith, Midwestern Region UniServ
This workshop identifies and explores the characteristics of people who are difficult to work with. The objective is to develop more behavioral choices and to learn some of the classical rules and principles for success in working with colleagues, administrators, parents, students, school board members, and families.

*Division meetings may change locations or be held using a virtual platform. Please check your email or contact the Division office prior to each event for updated information.*