



SEMINAR TOPICS

- The Role of Local Presidents in Preparing for an Uncertain Future** – The work of a local president has always been challenging, but an adverse Supreme Court decision could increase those challenges. This roundtable will provide presidents with the tools and structures to address the known and anticipated challenges. Topics to be addressed include strategic planning, member engagement, and building up the support of your leadership team, building reps, and within your community.
- Legal Issues Affecting School Employees** – Get an overview of the legal structure in New Jersey, existing laws, legal decisions, recent legislation, and emerging issues that affect school employees.
- Preparing for Negotiations—Collective Bargaining** – Learn the bargaining process from beginning to end, emphasizing mediation and fact-finding, negotiation strategies, and benefit costs.
- Grieve, Don't Gripe—Contract Enforcement** – Discover the keys to successful grievance processing. This seminar includes an overview of essential elements of good representation.
- AR—Key to a Strong Organization** – Learn the fundamentals and develop skills to help association representatives (ARs) effectively carry out the various functions necessary to maintain a strong organization.
- Bargaining Health Benefits** – Protecting and maintaining health benefits and modifying Chapter 78 contributions are consistently our members' highest priorities! This workshop will emphasize the impact of Ch. 78 on members' economic interests, develop bargaining strategies, and help participants understand the legal framework for maintaining and improving members' health insurance benefits.
- Effective Political Advocacy Through Your Legislative Action Team** – Learn how to build a robust Legislative Action Team (LAT) by recruiting volunteers, communicating effectively, organizing for action, and building and maintaining relationships with elected public officials. If you are a member of your local or county LAT, or you would be interested in joining, this seminar is for you!
- Leader Development 101—A Beginner's Guide for Association Leaders** – Explore principles of effective leadership and team building, communication and listening skills, time and stress management, facilitation skills for leaders, and the importance of change management. This workshop was previously titled "Principles of Leadership Development for Association Leaders."
- Engaging All Members** – Discover ways to support members while building their commitment and involvement. This is a great program for membership chairs, ARs, and those who would like to get other members involved in their local associations but don't know where to begin.
- Stay Silent or Get Involved? Endorsing and Running for Public Office** – Learn about specific issues facing locals who choose to endorse candidates in county, municipal or board of education races, including the pros and cons, legal restrictions, school ethics issues, and election rules. One session will include training on how to get on the ballot and run for local office yourself. Case studies, campaign strategies, and other nuts and bolts on local elections will be reviewed.
- FAST and PRIDE as Effective Organizing Tools for Your Local** – PRIDE and FAST are widely used across the state to engage the community (PRIDE) and families (FAST) in the positive work of our members. This session will prepare local leaders, PRIDE and FAST chairs, and committee members to build strong and successful programs, building our union power, and member engagement in the union.
- How to Demand Healthier Schools** – Understand how to protect your school or worksite by making it a healthy and safe environment. This workshop teaches participants how to create a functional health and safety committee in their local, how to address indoor air quality issues, and the importance of school security and emergency preparedness.
- Economic Inequality—Understanding the Common Cause of Threats to Public Education** – Our union has always fought to protect public education, public school employees, and the students and communities we serve. At the root of many of these fights has been structural economic inequality – and it is only getting worse. Join an informative session on economic inequality and become part of a growing movement to combat the root causes of our struggles. You will leave this session with the knowledge and confidence to discuss economic inequality with co-workers, friends and family.

CENTRAL

JAN 5-6, 2018

Hilton - East Brunswick
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: NOV. 20

SOUTH

JAN 26-27, 2018

Bally's - Atlantic City
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: DEC. 4

NORTH

MARCH 2-3, 2018

Sheraton - Parsippany
REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JAN. 22

GEOGRAPHIC PARTICIPANTS WILL BE HONORED FIRST.

- Registration begins at 4 pm Friday.
- Conference ends at 2 pm Saturday.

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Information regarding conference cancellation can be heard on radio stations WCBS-AM 880 and KYW 1060.

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Cost: Single Occupancy \$225 per person | Double Occupancy \$170 per person | Commuter \$120 per person

I will attend (check ONE location):

CENTRAL: 1/5-6 SOUTH: 1/26-27 NORTH: 3/2-3*

Select **ONE** workshop: **1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13** Second choice:

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