



**OFFICIAL CALL TO THE**

# **EDUCATION COMMITTEE CONFERENCE**

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**APRIL 14 - 19, 2024**

*THE WALTER AND MAY REUTHER UAW FAMILY EDUCATION CENTER  
ONAWAY, MICHIGAN*

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The UAW Education Department will host its annual Education Committee Conference from April 14-19, 2024. The conference will be held at The Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center in Onaway, Michigan.

This conference is intended for members serving on their local union's education committee, and those who are starting an education committee. Delegates who attend this conference will learn how to teach other members at their locals and effectively run their education committees.

Delegates will participate in our revised workshops which are designed to improve their facilitation skills and provide a greater number of practice teaching opportunities. Delegates will learn about adult learning styles, how to use visual aids and social media, the popular education model, and how the education committee can play a role in winning strong contracts through contract campaigns and strike escalation techniques.

Upon completion of this week-long training, delegates will be provided access to the UAW Education Department's curriculum kits, which were developed for them to host training workshops at their local union.

## **ELIGIBILITY TO ATTEND**

The conference is open to UAW members in good standing and is ideal for those who currently serve on their local union education committee, or those interested in starting an education committee.

## **CONFERENCE AGENDA**

All times Eastern Standard (ET)

### **Sunday, April 14 (Arrival)**

3 - 5 p.m. - Registration

6 - 7 p.m. - Dinner

7 - 8 p.m. - Conference Opens

### **Monday - Thursday**

8:45 a.m. to 5 p.m. - Training and Workshops

### **Friday, April 19 (Departure)**

8:30 - 9 a.m. - Certificate presentation

9 a.m. - Conference Adjourns

## **REGISTRATION**

Local unions must register their delegates **no later than March 15, 2024**. The conference registration fee is \$725 per delegate and must be paid by local unions using ACH. This registration fee covers the cost of lodging, meals, and materials. It is non-refundable. Local unions will pay online through LUIS by choosing the "Submit a Payment" option under the "Conference" menu. Funds will not be withdrawn from local unions until after their region approves the delegates. This process will take place after online registration closes. Registration is open from now until March 15, 2024.



## SUBSIDIES

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The International Union will provide housing and food (room and board) at the Family Education Center for **up to five delegates** from each region who are selected by the regional director to receive a subsidy. The local unions of the delegate(s) receiving this subsidy will be required to pay a \$137.50 registration fee per delegate. The International Union is not responsible for lost time or expenses.

## TRANSPORTATION

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All delegates are expected to arrive at the Family Education Center by 3 p.m. Eastern Time (ET) on Sunday, April 14 (except for those arriving by flight; see page 3: “Flight Arrangements”), and remain until the conference concludes at 9 a.m. (ET) on Friday, April 19. Arrivals and departures should be arranged accordingly. **Local unions are responsible for all transportation costs.**

[Passenger Vehicle:](#) The Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center (FEC) is located at 2000 Maxon Road, Onaway, MI 49765.

Please be advised of the following Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center policy:

Vehicles allowed to park in the FEC (Family Education Center) must be union-made and have a vehicle VIN number beginning with 1, 2, 4 or 5 (i.e., made in USA or Canada). VIN numbers are located in the dashboard or door jamb of vehicles. Upon arriving at the FEC, security guards check each vehicle’s VIN number. If the vehicle VIN number is anything other than 1, 2, 4 or 5, parking accommodations are available in a lot adjacently located to the FEC’s front gate. An FEC bus will transport those delegates to the hotel registration desk.



## FLIGHT ARRANGEMENTS

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[Air and Lodging:](#) For those traveling by air, Travel Solutions International (TSI USA requires a one-time registration for each local union agreeing to their services. Please complete the information required in this link: <https://form.jotform.com/210403752631041>.

***All airline tickets are non-refundable and non-transferable.***

Please allow 24 hours for TSI USA to process the information provided. Once delegates from a local union are registered and approved by the region, the local union must complete the online UBE Airline Reservation by March 29, by going to the following link: <https://cvent.me/4YM1Eg>. The transaction fee for making airline reservations is \$20 per person.

When registering for flights, be prepared to pay for airfare with a credit card or local union check. No personal checks will be accepted. The travel agency will email the local union/delegate an itinerary that **will need approval** prior to ticketing. If paying for airfare with a local union check, payment must be mailed within 24 hours after you are emailed by the travel agency. Send to UBE/Air, UAW Family Education Center, 2000 Maxon Road, Onaway, MI 49765. Checks must be accompanied by a copy of the invoice from the travel agency.

Due to stricter airline regulations, delegates who opt to fly must provide their legal name as it appears on a driver's license or other government-issued identification recognized by the Transportation Security Administration. Failure to do so could result in up to a \$150 charge to correct an airline ticket. The UAW will not reimburse that charge.

To guarantee maximum savings, delegates who fly to DTW will be **required** to arrive in Detroit on Saturday, April 13. The UAW International will provide overnight lodging in Detroit for April 13, **based on double occupancy at the Courtyard Detroit Metro Airport Romulus, 30653 Flynn Dr., Romulus, MI 48174**. The UAW Family Education Center will arrange hotel shuttles to meet delegates outside of the baggage claim when their flights arrive.



Bus: For those traveling by air, at 9 a.m. (ET) on Sunday, April 14, a charter bus will take delegates from the hotel to the UAW Family Education Center. Estimated arrival is before 3:30 p.m. A one-hour lunch stop is planned during the bus trip. For the return trip on Friday, April 19, **no flights should be made before 5 p.m. (ET)**. The bus will leave the Family Education Center for the airport at 9:30 a.m. (ET) on Friday, April 19.

## CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS

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Registration fees are non-refundable. Local unions should notify their regional office of any alternates to replace delegates who cancel. This conference is an investment in the future of your local union. This official call includes information that should be shared with local unions.

In solidarity,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Shawn P. Fain'. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Shawn Fain  
International President





**LOCAL UNION  
PROCESS**

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- ▶ **FILING GUIDELINES**
- ▶ **REGISTRATION PROCESS**



The following information is provided to assist local unions in processing applications for the Education Committee Conference. These guidelines should prevent misunderstandings regarding delegate selection and local union financial obligations.

The **Education Committee Conference** is designed for members serving on their local union's education committee, and those who wish to start an education committee at their local. Delegates will learn how to run their committee and build skills for presenting workshops at their local.

Locals are encouraged to prioritize first-time delegates who want to become more involved in their local union.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

The conference is open to UAW members in good standing and is ideal for those who currently serve on their local union education committees, or those interested in starting an education committee.

Delegate eligibility is limited to active members of your local union, including members on lay-off or strike. Members on sick leave, retired members, and spouses who are not members of your local union are not eligible to attend.





## REGISTRATION

Local unions must register their delegates via the following link:

**Website:** <https://conference.uaw.org/education.php>

**Username:** 2024EDU (case sensitive)

**Password:** UAWeducation (case sensitive)

Local unions must provide each delegate's **personal (non-work) email** when registering delegates for this conference. Regions will be given access to a list of their registered delegates through LUIS to approve, a process that will take place after online registration closes. This is due to limited spaces allotted to each region.

The delegates will be notified via email that their registration is complete, but they are not confirmed as attendees to the conference until the region has completed the approval process. The local and approved delegates will be contacted with further information about the conference via email. Delegates who are not approved will be notified that the conference capacity is full and they will be on the waitlist in case space becomes available.

## REGISTRATION DEADLINES AND FEES

SESSION DATE	REGISTRATION DEADLINE Includes \$725 registration fee. Paid on April 8 only if approved by region.	AIRLINE DEADLINE
APRIL 14 - 19, 2024	Friday March 15	Friday March 29

- ▶ Local unions must pay a \$725 non-refundable registration fee through LUIS by choosing the *Submit a Payment* option under the *Conference* menu.
- ▶ Funds will **NOT** be withdrawn from local unions until after the region approves the delegates, a process that will take place after online registration closes.



## DRIVING TO CENTER

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Local unions are responsible for all transportation costs for approved delegates attending the conference.

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## FLYING TO CENTER

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- ▶ Due to stricter airline regulations, delegates who opt to fly must provide their legal name as it appears on a driver's license. Failure to do so could result in up to a \$150 charge to correct an airline ticket. The UAW will not reimburse that charge.
- ▶ The Family Education Center will make all flight arrangements at least 15-21 days in advance to take advantage of Super-Saver rates. (See chart with deadlines on the second page).
- ▶ All airline tickets are non-refundable and non-transferable.
- ▶ When contacted by the travel agency via email, be prepared to pay for airfare with a credit card or local union check. No personal checks will be accepted. If you do not receive an email from the travel agency after registering the delegates, please check the "Spam" or "Junk" folder in your email account.
- ▶ TSI will email delegates an itinerary that will include the invoice for payment to the email address provided through the online registration.

#### AIRLINE PROCEDURE

If paying for airfare with a local union check, you must mail the payment within 24 hours after TSI contacts you. Please make the check payable to UBE and send the payment to UBE/Air, UAW Family Education Center, 2000 Maxon Road, Onaway, MI 49765. You must include a copy of the invoice with the check.

**Saturday Lodging/Sunday Bus Charter:** To guarantee maximum savings, delegates who are flying will be required to arrive in Detroit on **Saturday, April 13**, preceding their Sunday departure to the Center. Delegates will be provided with one night's lodging. The hotel and bus information is printed on the e-ticket itinerary provided by TSI. Charter buses providing transportation to the Family Education Center for those who fly into Detroit will leave on **Sunday, April 14** at 9 a.m. (ET) and arrive at the Center at approximately 3:30 p.m. (ET). A one-hour lunch stop is planned during the bus trip. **No flights should be scheduled prior to 5 p.m. (ET) for the return trip home on Friday, April 19.**



## LOST TIME

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The payment of lost time is the sole responsibility of the local union.

## CANCELLATION AND REPLACEMENT

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The regional office should be notified **immediately** of any delegate(s) who are canceling, along with the name of the replacement delegate(s). If no replacement is designated, the registration fee remains non-refundable.

In the event of a last-minute change, the substitute delegate(s) must be provided the name of the member they are replacing. Upon check-in at the Center, the substitute delegate will provide the name of whom they are replacing so that the \$725 paid registration fee will apply to the substitute. When processing delegates' changes, please remember that airline tickets are non-refundable and non-transferable.