

District 7

January 31, 2025

Michael R. Millsap District Director

To: District 7 Local Union Presidents, Recording Secretaries, Unit Presidents, and 2024 Class Participants

Greetings,

Enclosed is an application and a list of scholarship classes for the 2025 District 7 Summer School Program. To be eligible for participation, an applicant's local union must be participating in District 7's Strike & Education Fund. Interested local union members may apply for a scholarship by completing an application and giving it to their Local Union President for approval. Local Union Presidents must review and sign all applications prior to submitting to their Sub-District Director for further approval and processing. The scholarships include the full cost of a room, meals, class materials, and a \$500.00 check (\$600.00 for the Director's District 7 Leadership or Health & Safety Class at Linden Hall) that will be sent to the local to offset lost time and expenses; individuals attending the SOAR Class are not eligible for the \$500.00 offset.

Things to Know When Applying for a Scholarship:

- 1. Scholarships will not be issued to persons who have attended the same class previously; this does not apply to Financial Officer Training, Trustee Training, or the Raymond G. Pasnick Alumni Class.
- Sub-District Directors will be given a list of all scholarships awarded to their Sub-District for the 2025 Summer School Program. Locals may not substitute scholarship winners without advanced consent of their Sub-District Director and the District 7 Education Coordinator.
- Any cancellation or request to change an awarded scholarship must be made by the Local Union President <u>and</u> Sub-District Director in writing to District 7's Education Coordinator at least two (2) weeks prior to the start of the program.
- 4. Members will be notified by mail if they have been awarded a scholarship. This scholarship is for the member only; they cannot bring a spouse, guest or anyone else with them.
- 5. All rooms are double occupancy. This means that you will be sharing a room with a member of the same gender. Rooms will be cleaned and sanitized before your arrival. The University of Illinois may require attendees to wear a mask while indoors and follow social distancing guidelines.
- 6. Members may attend two (2) classes per year if space is available, and they get <u>written</u> consent of their Local Union President <u>and</u> Sub-District Director to attend an additional class.
- 7. The \$500.00/\$600.00 scholarship award check is contingent on attendance of <u>ALL</u> classes, and will be sent directly to the member's local after the conclusion of the 2025 Summer School Program.

Please contact Charva Jones with questions or concerns at (219) 881-6211 or cjones@usw.org.

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In Solidarity,

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Enclosures

cc: District 7 Staff and Support Staff

United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union