



District 9

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To: **ALL USW District 9 Local Unions**

The District 9 2016 Education Conference is scheduled for August 29 – September 1, 2016 at the Hilton Sandestin, 4000 Sandestin Blvd South, Destin, Florida 32550. Hotel reservations can be made by calling the hotel at 800.367.1271 or online at www.sandestinbeachhilton.com and entering Group Code **USW** to get the Conference rate of \$135, plus applicable taxes.

Cut-off for hotel reservations is July 27, 2016 and we anticipate the hotel will sell out quickly so Locals are encouraged to make reservations early (we will once again use an overflow hotel, as necessary). Reservations made after that date will be at the hotel's prevailing rate, not the negotiated conference rate. The hotel charges cancellation fees made less than fourteen days prior to scheduled arrival and early checkout penalties, both of which are the responsibility of the local.

Registration is 1–6pm Sunday, August 28, 2016 and 7:30–8:30am Monday, August 29, 2016. All delegates must attend Orientation Sunday evening at 6:30pm.

Conference Registration Fees are:

Early Bird Registration	\$200 per delegate	<u>must be received no later than May 29, 2016</u>
Advanced Pre-Registration	\$235 per delegate	<u>must be received between May 30 – June 30, 2016</u>
Pre-Registration	\$250 per delegate	after July 1, 2016

Fees include the cost of materials, a Conference t-shirt, lunch for registered delegates on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday and Wednesday night's reception. All expenses incurred for attending (including the registration fee, hotel and lost time) are the responsibility of the Local.

Due to limited availability, **classes are on a first come basis and will fill quickly**. Therefore, Locals are encouraged to take action as soon as possible and mail completed forms with payment to USW District 9 Education Fund.

I look forward to seeing you at the Conference.

In Solidarity,

Daniel Flippo
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