



# FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP

July 23 - 28, 2023

Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center  
Onaway, Michigan



For more than 45 years, the Family Education Center has been a place where UAW members and their families come together for an experience that combines education with recreation.

It's a place to learn about our union, unlock ideas, and build new friendships with other UAW families. This one-week summer experience will leave you and your family filled with a spirit guaranteed to strengthen your understanding and appreciation of our union.

# Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center Scholarship Program

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Since 1970, thousands of UAW members and their families have participated in the Walter and May Reuther UAW Family Education Center Scholarship Program (Family Scholarship or Family Scholarship Program) – changing their lives and those of their loved ones forever!

Located in scenic Onaway, Michigan, on Black Lake, the Family Education Center (FEC) was envisioned by legendary UAW President Walter Reuther to be a place where UAW members and their families could come together to learn and have fun.

Through educational and recreational activities, the Family Scholarship Program provides an opportunity for adults and children to learn and think about how our union empowers us to change our workplaces and communities for ourselves and future generations.

These lessons are learned through daily adult and children's programs and family activities. Below are the most frequently asked questions about the UAW Family Scholarship Program.

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### *Who can participate in the program?*

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All active or laid-off UAW members in good standing are eligible to apply for the Family Scholarship Program if they have never attended the program before. You must also be willing to use your regular vacation, personal leave, or union leave time (where permitted by contract) to attend. Past participants are not eligible to reapply.

Your spouse/domestic partner (must reside at the same address) and children/grandchildren 4-18 years old may attend with you. You may be required to provide a birth certificate or proof of legal guardianship for each attending child.

Children under 4 years old cannot attend. Other relatives, non-relatives, and retirees are not eligible to participate – no exceptions!

Pets are **NOT** allowed at the Family Education Center.

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### *What costs does the Family Scholarship cover?*

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The UAW pays all lodging, food, and program costs for the entire one-week session. The scholarship does not cover group photographs or any other personal spending costs. Expenses for meals, tolls, or other costs incurred during travel to and from the FEC are not covered.

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### *What about transportation to the FEC? How is that handled?*

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If you choose to drive, you must submit a \$50 refundable registration fee. The \$50 check is payable to UBE, Inc. Applications that do not include this refundable payment will not be processed. You will be reimbursed the entire registration fee upon completion of the program. If you choose not to attend the program and don't notify the Center 10 days before your session, you will forfeit the registration fee.

**Transportation funds are provided for applicants whose worksites are more than 500 miles (one way) from the Center. You and your family have the option of flying or driving.**

If you choose to drive and your worksite is more than 500 miles one way (minimum 1,000 miles round trip), your mileage will not be reimbursed for the first 1,000 miles. After 1,000 miles, drivers will be reimbursed at the applicable IRS rate for each mile. Mileage is determined according to MapQuest, using the most direct route to the FEC. Other mileage charts will not be accepted for mileage calculations. When in doubt, contact your regional office.

Additionally, on your trip to and from the FEC, you will be entitled to one night of lodging when driving more than 500 miles, and two nights if driving at least 1,000 miles. Motel rates should not exceed \$65 per night for single occupancy or \$80 per night for double occupancy. The FEC will provide mileage and motel reimbursement upon completion of the program. **Receipts are required for reimbursement.**

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*If I drive, what are the rules regarding vehicles?*

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

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*What are the housing arrangements?*

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The Family Education Center consists of a main hotel and adjacent buildings with sleeping rooms and full bathroom and shower facilities. Soap, towels, and all bedding are provided. Children are housed with their parents/grandparents.

To maintain a family atmosphere, irresponsible behavior is not tolerated and may result in a family being asked to leave at their own expense.

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*What is the typical daily schedule?*

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The entire family must participate in all scheduled programs from 8:45 a.m. to 4 p.m. The UAW member and spouse/domestic partner attend classes together while children/grandchildren participate in their own program, which features age-appropriate learning and typical camp activities. A family activity is held after dinner most evenings, and families are free to stroll on the beach, take a dip in the Center's indoor pool, or talk about the day.

Families have Wednesday afternoon off to explore the FEC campus and nearby attractions, including the Black Lake Golf Course, Mackinaw City, St. Ignace, and Mackinac Island.

On Thursday evening of your session, an adults-only activity is planned while children participate in their own program in a supervised setting from 7 – 11 p.m.

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*Tell me more about the children's program.*

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The children's program is designed for the child's age and grade they are entering in the fall to ensure age-appropriate lessons and recreational activities. Children's groups are divided into pre-K to 1<sup>st</sup> grade, 2-5<sup>th</sup> grades, 6-8<sup>th</sup> grades, and

9-12<sup>th</sup> grades. Teens 15-18 years old may participate in the adult program, depending on the registration numbers for that week.

The youngest students in pre-K to 1<sup>st</sup> grade learn in a playful environment with creative activities, music, and games in the gym and at the beach. Elementary school students (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders) enjoy days filled with union awareness workshops and various outdoor activities, including swimming, golf, and unique arts and crafts. Middle schoolers (6-8<sup>th</sup> graders) will enjoy a schedule filled with union involvement workshops, golf, swimming, and gym games. High school students (9-12<sup>th</sup> graders) will participate in workshops focusing on labor laws to help prepare them for the workforce.

Instructors are experienced union facilitators. All children will be required to sign a Code of Conduct form with their parent or guardian to emphasize responsible behavior while at the Center.

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*Will I need any special clothes?*

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Attire is informal and casual clothes are acceptable for classes and evening activities, though you may want to pack additional items for Wednesday's free afternoon and Thursday evening's adults-only activity. A recommended packing list will be shared upon approval for the program. **\*All COVID protocols will be followed, which may include masking.\***

For more information about Black Lake, visit [uawblacklake.com](http://uawblacklake.com).

# 2023 FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Fill out this form completely. The July 23-28, 2023 session begins Sunday and ends Friday. Classes are available in Spanish.

Legal FIRST Name: \_\_\_\_\_ LAST Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Union # \_\_\_\_\_ UAW Region: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Membership: \_\_\_\_\_

Employed at: \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security # (Last 4 digits only): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Age of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status:  Married/Domestic Partnership (must reside at same address)  Single

Single participants not accompanied by spouse or children/grandchildren are roomed with another participant.

If spouse/domestic partner and/or children/grandchildren accompany UAW applicant to the Family Education Center, please complete the following:

Spouse/Domestic Partner's Legal FIRST Name: \_\_\_\_\_ LAST Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB \_\_\_\_\_

List children's complete LEGAL names, birth dates, age, grade in school child will be entering, and gender:

First Name	Last Name	DOB	Age	Grade entering	Gender

*The Scholarship Program is open only to active UAW members in good standing who have never attended the Family Scholarship Program before, their spouses/domestic partners, and dependent children and grandchildren. Program is not open to other relatives or children under 4 years of age. You may be required to provide a birth certificate or proof of legal guardianship for each child.*

Please indicate any special needs for yourself/family members, i.e., disability or other medical condition: \_\_\_\_\_

## RELEASE OF PHOTOGRAPHS AND VIDEOS

I agree to allow the UAW to use my name, photograph, and/or image in union publications, videos, advertising, or brochures. I also agree to allow the UAW to use my child's photograph and/or image in union publications, videos, advertising, or brochures.

Both member and spouse/domestic partner must read and sign the application:

UAW Member's signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse/domestic partner's signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**DRIVING:** Attach \$50 registration fee made payable to UBE, Inc. Applications received without registration fee cannot be processed.

**FLYING:** No registration fee required. See "Frequently Asked Questions" to determine eligibility and actual costs of airfare.

**If flying, once approved, your UAW regional office will provide you with instructions.**

**UAW Member: Application must be submitted to your local union**

**Local union: Mail to UAW Regional Office**

**Applicant is a member in good standing with one year's seniority.**

**Signature of LU President or Fin. Secretary** \_\_\_\_\_

