



"Unbelievable" tips fire up volunteers

Webinar training dates still available for those who missed September event



Veteran volunteer Rick Fong fired up volunteers new and old starting with one word: "unbelievable". At the Make A Difference - Wisconsin Fall Volunteer Training on Sept. 21, Fong was part of a group of volunteers and MPS educators who shared impactful, energetic ways to empower teens with financial skills.

Fong led a group call-and-response chant of the word "unbelievable" for an example of how he opens engagements with students in the class. Tracey Rodgers,

also an experienced volunteer, modeled interactive delivery of one of our core activities, building a budget, while also sharing her tips for making memorable connections with students.

A new element this year was an eye-opening presentation by Samantha Epstein and Randi Wagner, educators at South Division High School, illuminating some of the everyday challenges faced by students in Milwaukee's inner-city schools. They emphasized the significant impact volunteers can have, and encouraged them to be "cheerleaders of positivity" for their students.

If you are interested in volunteering but missed the in-person training session, please consider attending one of our upcoming **Volunteer Training Webinars, October 15th or November 7th**. To register for either of the upcoming webinars or if you have questions, please contact volunteer manager Kathy Weinberg-Kinsey at kathy@makeadifferencewisconsin.org