

2013-14 ATPE Membership Application

3 Ways You Can Join ATPE:

- 1 Mail this completed application to the ATPE state office.
- 2 Give this completed application to your ATPE campus rep.
- 3 Join at *atpe.org* (and pay by credit card).

1 Provide your contact information.

This information helps us maintain your unique member record, a tool that allows us to provide member services more efficiently.

Last 4 digits of your Soc. Sec. #: XXX-XX-____ Female Male

Yes, I have been an ATPE member in the past.

Member ID# _____ (Optional—If you don't know it, no problem.)

Name _____
Last First Middle initial

ISD _____ Campus _____

Home address _____

City/State _____ ZIP _____

Home (____) _____ Cell (____) _____

School email _____

Home email _____

Submit your email addresses to receive the latest news on member benefits.

Yes, send me information about volunteering for ATPE!



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2 Select your membership category.

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Refer to the chart on the back of this application to find your appropriate category.

Insured categories* *See back.

Professional \$145.00 \$ _____

First-time Professional \$80.00 \$ _____
I have never been a Professional member.

Associate \$70.00 \$ _____
Paraprofessional and classified positions

Teacher Trainee **FREE**
Student teacher in Texas

Uninsured categories

Retired \$10.00 \$ _____
Retired former school employee

College Student **FREE**
Non-teaching college student

Public \$10.00 \$ _____
Friend of public education

3 Invest in public education.

Local unit dues \$ _____
Support ATPE in your school district.

ATPE Political Action Committee \$ _____
Support Texas candidates and officeholders who prioritize public education.
Suggested donation: \$12.

4 Select a payment method.

Check enclosed.

Payroll deduction
Complete the authorization below. Arrangements for payroll deduction are the responsibility of the applicant.

TOTAL \$ _____

Payroll Deduction Authorization

Payroll authorizations for 2013-14 will not be accepted after Jan. 31, 2014.

I, _____, authorize the _____ ISD to deduct the **total amount** of \$ _____ over _____ payments in order to pay for ATPE state dues, local dues and political action donations. I further authorize the Association to notify the ISD of changes in the annual dues amounts and the ISD to deduct the new amounts. If my employment with the district ends, I authorize any unpaid balance to be deducted from my final check. This authorization for the deductions referenced above will be effective until I give notice to the ISD that I want to revoke it.

Applicant's signature

Applicant's Social Security number or employee ID number

Date of signature

I wish to cancel deduction of membership dues for: Texas AFT TCTA TSTA UEA Other
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Questions You Might Have About ATPE Membership

1 Are ATPE membership dues tax-deductible?

ATPE membership dues are not deductible as charitable contributions for income tax purposes but may be deductible as miscellaneous itemized deductions, subject to IRS restrictions. It is estimated that 4.6 percent of your dues dollar is used for lobbying activities and is therefore not deductible.

2 How does ATPE spend my membership dues?

- \$3.32 pays for a subscription to *ATPE News* (published four times per year) and includes all state and local sales taxes.
- Up to \$26 of Professional and Associate member dues and up to \$6 of Teacher Trainee member dues pays for the Educators Professional Liability Insurance Policy.*

3 What does the Liability and Employment Rights Defense Insurance* for the 2013-14 membership year cover?

*Coverage applies to your activities as a Professional or Associate member in the course of your duties of employment with an educational institution, or to your activities as a Teacher Trainee member in the course of your duties as a student in a teacher education program in an accredited college or university. Coverage is underwritten by National Union Fire Insurance Company of Pittsburgh, Pa. ALL COVERAGE IS SUBJECT TO THE EXPRESS TERMS OF THE MASTER INSURANCE POLICY ISSUED TO ATPE AND KEPT ON FILE AT THE STATE OFFICE. View a detailed summary at atpe.org. **The policy applies only to activities that begin during the period when coverage is effective and does not apply to activities that predate the coverage period.**

4 When is my ATPE membership effective?

For paper applications, your membership date is established when your application is received in the state office, or when your application is received, signed and dated by a designated local unit representative. For online applications, your membership date is established at 12:01 a.m. CST on the date following successful transmission of your online application and payment at atpe.org.

5 When is coverage* effective?

*Coverage begins on the later of 8/1/13 or your Membership Date and expires on 8/1/14 except for the following: COVERAGE IS EFFECTIVE ON 8/1/13 IF YOU RENEW MEMBERSHIP ANYTIME DURING AUGUST OR SEPTEMBER 2013, AND EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS DEFENSE INSURANCE IS NOT EFFECTIVE UNTIL 30 DAYS AFTER YOUR MEMBERSHIP DATE IF YOU JOIN AFTER 9/30/13 AND WERE ELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIP FROM AUGUST 2013 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2013. Eligibility for membership benefits is contingent upon receipt of the entire membership dues amount for your appropriate membership category. A disruption in payments to an authorized payment plan may result in discontinuation of such benefits, including cancellation of insurance coverage for the entire membership year, retroactive to Aug. 1 or your membership date. For further information, call (800) 777-2873.

6 What does ATPE-PAC do?

The ATPE Political Action Committee (ATPE-PAC) accepts voluntary donations from members to advocate for ATPE's legislative priorities. ATPE-PAC does not endorse political candidates. Donations to ATPE-PAC are not a condition of employment or membership. A member may donate more or less than the suggested amount or may choose not to make a donation without it affecting his or her membership status, rights or benefits with ATPE. Donations are not deductible for federal income tax purposes.

ATPE Membership Categories

You must join in the appropriate insured category in order to qualify for coverage. ATPE reserves the right to determine eligibility for the appropriate membership category. Commissioned peace officers are eligible for public membership only.

Professional and Associate membership is open to persons employed in Texas by a public school district, institution of higher education, Regional Education Service Center, State Board for Educator Certification or the Texas Education Agency.

If you have a question about the eligibility of job descriptions not listed below, call (800) 777-2873.

Insured Categories*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBER (\$145)/FIRST-TIME PROFESSIONAL MEMBER (\$80)

- Administrator/Supervisor
- Athletic Director/Coordinator
- Athletic Trainer
- At-Risk Coordinator
- Audiologist
- Band/Choral Director
- Coach
- Counselor
- Curriculum Director
- Dean of Instruction
- Department Head/Chair
- Diagnostician
- Instructional Officer
- Intern Teacher
- IT Director/Coordinator
- Librarian
- Nurse (RN)
- Parent/Community Coordinator
- Principal/Asst. Prin.
- Regional Service Center Staff
- School Psychologist/Associate
- Social Worker
- Superintendent/Asst. Supt.
- Teacher
- Therapist/Pathologist
- University Professor
- Visiting Teacher

ASSOCIATE MEMBER (\$70)

- Aide to position in Professional category
- Alternative Center Aide
- Bus Driver
- Cafeteria Worker
- Clerk-General
- Computer Programmer/Entry
- Custodial Worker
- Deaf Interpreter
- Educational Aide/Technician
- Maintenance Worker
- Nurse (LVN)
- Regional Service Center Aide
- Secretary
- Security Guard (Unarmed)
- Substitute Teacher

TEACHER TRAINEE MEMBER (FREE)

- Student teacher in Texas

Uninsured Categories

COLLEGE STUDENT MEMBER (FREE)

- Non-teaching college student

RETIRED MEMBER (\$10)

- Retired former school employee

PUBLIC MEMBER (\$10)

- Friend of public education