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ATPE Launches COVID-19 Resource Page for Texas Educators

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The Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE) has launched a COVID-19 resource page for the Texas education community at atpe.org/coronavirus. On this page, Texas educators will find:

- Information about Texas law governing the responsibilities of school districts during a public health crisis;
- Guidance for educators in working with students; and
- Legal information regarding Texas educators' employment rights in a public health crisis.

ATPE will continue updating this resource as the situation develops and more information becomes known.

“This is a rapidly developing situation, and we urge all Texas educators to focus first and foremost on their health and safety,” said Dr. Shannon Holmes, ATPE executive director. “Right now, there are far more questions than answers, and everyone from the custodial staff to the superintendent is working together to keep Texas families safe. Our hope is this resource page will answer questions that might concern educators about their employment so they can return their focus to what’s most important: staying healthy.”

As many Texas school districts are either on spring break or about to go on spring break, ATPE also encourages educators to consider the rapid evolution of the situation while making any travel plans.

Visit ATPE’s COVID-19 Resource Page at atpe.org/coronavirus.

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About the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE)

ATPE has been a strong voice for Texas educators since 1980. It is the leading educators’ association in Texas with approximately 100,000 members statewide. With its strong collaborative philosophy, ATPE speaks for classroom teachers, administrators, and future, retired and para-educators and works to create better opportunities for Texas’ more than five million public school students. Learn more about ATPE at atpe.org.