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Willis ATPE honored as a 2011 Local Unit of the Year

AUSTIN – The Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE) honored Willis ATPE as a 2011 Local Unit of the Year for local units with 501 to 1,000 members. Willis ATPE was presented the award July 22 during the ATPE Summit Membership Awards Luncheon at the Austin Convention Center.

Willis ATPE in Region 6 was chartered in 1985. The local unit has 516 members and is led by President Donna Ward. Ward is the coordinator of the Public Education Information Management System (PEIMS) at Cargill Educational Support Center in Willis ISD.

“All of our officers are really excited to have won Local Unit of the Year,” Ward said. “The officers and campus representatives work really hard throughout the year for our members and contribute to our community. It feels wonderful to be recognized for our work.”

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The 116,000-member Association of Texas Professional Educators is the largest educators' group in Texas and the largest nonunion educators' group nationwide. Its membership consists of classroom teachers, para-educators, administrators, college students and retired educators. ATPE is committed to advocating for better benefits for all educators, promoting a collaborative work environment and the right of educators to choose the association they feel represents their interests, and providing the best education possible for all Texas school children.