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Ballinger ISD educator elected ATPE state president

AUSTIN – Cheryl Buchanan, a sixth-grade English and ESL teacher in Ballinger ISD, was recently elected state president of the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE). Her term began Aug. 1.

Buchanan, an ATPE member for 20 years, has served the association as state vice president, state secretary and state treasurer. The 24-year education veteran has also served on numerous ATPE state committees and as president of Ballinger ATPE.

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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.