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Local history teacher becomes ATPE state vice president

State's largest educator group welcomes Cory Colby



AUSTIN, Texas – The Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE) is proud to announce Cory Colby, a Willis High School advanced placement and dual credit government teacher, as the group's new state vice president.

An ATPE member for eight years, Colby has previously served as the association's state secretary and state treasurer. In addition to teaching at Willis High School, Colby is an adjunct government instructor at Lone Star College-Montgomery and new teacher mentor coordinator for Willis High School and Sam Houston State University.

"It's truly an honor to serve my fellow Texas educators and the students," Colby said. "Through this organization, I hope that we can work to create a grassroots level of educator involvement that creates a coalition with the public to offer a free, equitable and superior public education to every student regardless of race, income, gender or where they live just as our state constitution has mandated."

Colby's leadership experience includes service on the State Board of Education STAAR Advisory Committee, as well as chairman of Willis ISD's District Education Improvement Committee. He is the U.S. history team leader for Willis High School and has been noted for the creation of a digital town hall guest speaker series.

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The Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE) has been a strong voice for Texas educators since 1980. It is the leading educators' association in Texas with more than 100,000 members statewide. With its strong collaborative philosophy, ATPE speaks for classroom teachers, administrators, future, retired and para-educators and works to create better opportunities for 5 million public schoolchildren. ATPE is the ally and the voice of Texas public school education.