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Texas gubernatorial candidates to roll out education platforms Thursday
Wendy Davis and Gregg Abbott to address nearly 1,000 educators

AUSTIN, Texas — Three candidates for governor and lieutenant governor will address more than 900 public school employees about important education issues Thursday, July 10, at the Austin Convention Center during the annual conference of the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE), the 2014 ATPE Summit. Wendy Davis, the Democratic candidate for governor, Greg Abbott, the Republican candidate for governor, and Leticia Van de Putte, the Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor, have all confirmed that they will be attending.

Each candidate will have approximately 30 minutes to talk about their stance on vital public education topics, such as teacher salaries and standardized testing. The candidates will take media questions in meeting room 12B after addressing attendees.

WHEN:

10:30—11 a.m.
Wendy Davis

11—11:30 a.m.
Leticia Van de Putte

3—3:30 p.m.
Gregg Abbott

WHERE:

Austin Convention Center, Ballroom D
500 E. Cesar Chavez Street
Austin, TX 78701

Members of the media planning to attend, should RSVP by contacting Media Relations Specialist Stephanie Jacksis at (281) 760-8697. Plan on arriving 10-15 minutes before the speakers' allotted time to ensure minimal disruption of the event. Media should go straight to Ballroom D; you will be escorted to 12B afterward.

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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 educators.