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Innovative educators to share successes, challenges in public education

AUSTIN – The ATPE Foundation will honor the accomplishments of teachers and lead guided focus groups and professional learning at the third annual Texas Regional Teacher of the Year Gathering. Texas Regional Teachers of the Year will attend the event scheduled for June 18-19 at the Sheraton Austin at the Capitol, including the state’s 2013 Secondary Teacher of the Year Jeremy Wagner.

The ATPE Foundation is a charitable nonprofit established by the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE). The foundation is dedicated to the advancement of public education through literacy initiatives, technology programs, and educator recruitment and retention efforts.

The Texas Regional Teacher of the Year Gathering will include guided focus groups on literacy, technology, teacher support and retention as well as hot topics in education. Attendees will receive seven hours of continuing professional education (CPE) credit. The teachers will also be honored at a reception during the event.

WHAT: ATPE Foundation hosts the Texas Regional Teacher of the Year Gathering

WHEN: June 18-19, 2013

WHERE: The Sheraton Austin at the Capitol, 701 E. 11th St.

MEDIA/PHOTO OPPS:

- Session 1: Teacher Support & Retention, 9-10:30 a.m., Tuesday, June 18
- Session 2: Technology & Literacy in the Classroom, 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.
- Keynote Presentation: 12:15-1:15 p.m., Tuesday, June 18 – Hudson ISD superintendent Mary Ann Whiteker will lead a presentation called *A Messenger for Change* that will

provide guidance on how teachers can empower students despite the challenges public education faces today.

•Special reception honoring teachers, 5:30-7 p.m., Tuesday, June 18

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