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### **Former Denton principal wins Administrator Educator of the Year Award**

AUSTIN – Denton Independent School District former assistant principal Martin H. Brumit was honored July 19 with the Association of Texas Professional Educators (ATPE) Administrator Educator of the Year Award. Brumit, a 19-year education veteran, was presented with the award plus a \$1,000 check at the 2013 ATPE Summit Awards Banquet held at the Austin Convention Center.

“I believe in what we are doing. I believe in my teachers, I believe in our students,” Brumit said. “I love my job. I love my students, and I love my teachers and staff. I will do whatever it takes to make their job as easy as possible. I will fight mandates, and I will fight for them so they can do what they love and work with our students.”

Nearly 1,000 people celebrated the achievements of public school educators at the banquet, at which numerous awards were presented to educators who demonstrate exceptional and innovative skills in their respective education fields.

Brumit, an assistant principal at Billy Ryan High School for the 2012-13 school year, was one of three finalists for the administrator award. ATPE’s Educator of the Year Award Committee was impressed with Brumit’s commitment to his staff and students and his leadership in implementing online courses at his campus.

Brumit is leaving Denton ISD to begin a job as principal at Malakoff High School in August in the Malakoff Independent School District.

This school year, Brumit plans to serve as a mentor to new teachers through ATPE’s Teacher Support Program.

“First and foremost, administrators are educators,” Brumit said. “Just because the roles have changed doesn’t mean the job of educating has changed. It is important to teach our teachers and to continue to educate our students. We should be the master teachers of our school. That being said, it does not mean we ever stop learning from our teachers and students.”

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*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.*