

# 2026-27 ATPE Membership Application



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## STEP 1 Personal Information

Name (first, middle, last)  Last 4 digits of SSN

ATPE member ID (optional)  Birthdate (MM/DD/YY)  Male  Female  Other

ISD  Campus

Cell phone (required)  Position

Personal email (required)

Campus email (optional)  Employee ID number

Mailing address  City

State  ZIP  Recruited by

Print: First Name Last Name

## STEP 2 Membership Category (select one) & Invest in Education

Clinical Teacher, College Student, and Public Education Supporter members may join online at [atpe.org](http://atpe.org).

See reverse for category descriptions.

### Annual Dues

- Professional (teacher, counselor, etc.) . . . . . \$264
- First-Time Professional (never been a professional member). . . . . \$114
- Associate (para-educator, aide, support staff, etc.) . . . . . \$108
- Administrator (principal, superintendent, etc.) . . . . . \$390
- Retiree . . . . . \$36

### OPTIONAL: Invest in Education

- ATPE Local Unit Dues (Support ATPE in your local school district.) . . . . . \$
- ATPE-PAC Suggested Donation (Make a voluntary donation to our PAC.) \$ 24
- Yes, contact me about becoming a volunteer! **TOTAL** \$

The First-Time Professional rate is not available after Oct. 31, 2026. 2026-27 Professional, Associate, and Administrator memberships will not be accepted after Jan. 31, 2027.\*

### DESIGNATED ATPE REPS

Received Date

Print Name

Signature

**ATPE membership year begins 8/1/26 & ends 7/31/27.**  
Certain benefits may take effect earlier or later than 8/1/26. Visit [atpe.org](http://atpe.org) for disclosure details/limitations. I understand that ATPE may contact me via information provided on this application, including email and text, to communicate about my benefits/account. ATPE dues are not deductible as charitable contributions for income tax purposes, but approximately 94% of your dues may be deductible as misc. itemized deductions, subject to IRS restrictions; 5.7% of dues is used for lobbying and is not deductible.

## STEP 3 Payroll Deduction Authorization

I authorize my school district to deduct membership dues and donations. I authorize ATPE to notify the district of changes in the amount of my dues and my district to deduct the new amounts. If my employment with the district ends, I authorize any unpaid balance to be deducted from my final check. This authorization for deductions is effective until I give notice to my district that I want to revoke it.

If applicable, I wish to cancel deduction of membership dues for:

- TX AFT
- TCTA
- TSTA
- UEA
- Other

Printed name  Last 4 digits of SSN

Signature  Date

School district  Employee ID #

\*ISD payroll offices may stop accepting payroll authorizations before Jan. 31, 2027.

### ATPE REPRESENTATIVE, PLEASE VERIFY:

Total annual amount

\$

District's # of deductions

### How to Submit Your Application

Mail the entire application to:  
ATPE | 305 E. Huntland Dr., Ste. 300 | Austin, TX 78752

Or hand-deliver it to an authorized ATPE representative. Faxed or scanned applications are not accepted.

# ATPE Offers True Value

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**\$108**

per year

## Associate membership

(including para-educators)

\$9/month

**\$114**

per year

## First-time professional membership

(available through Oct. 31, 2026)

Just over \$9.50/month

**\$264**

per year

## Professional membership

(see description below)

\$22/month

**\$390**

per year

## Administrator membership

(principals, superintendents, assistant superintendents)

\$32.50/month

Monthly rates above based on 12 installment payments beginning in August. In districts with active local units, you may add nominal local unit dues to support ATPE's local presence in your district. All members voluntarily donate to the ATPE Political Action Committee.\*

### It's Not Smart to Go It Alone

Working in a public school is risky, and the Legislature has steadily increased the responsibilities placed on educators in recent years, even creating new criminal and civil consequences. Consider these real-world scenarios:

- A student upset about a bad grade retaliates by making a false accusation against his teacher. State authorities launch an investigation, and the teacher's certificate is immediately flagged. The teacher needs experienced legal counsel to defend his rights, and ATPE provides that.
- A classroom aide notices a colleague behaving suspiciously and isn't sure what to do. One call to ATPE helps her understand what steps to take.
- A teacher unexpectedly receives a bad evaluation. ATPE's legal team guides him through options and timelines for challenging the results and getting a better outcome that protects his job and salary.

Bad things can happen despite your best efforts. Don't go it alone! Join ATPE today.

### The Facts About ATPE's Legal Benefits

- **ATPE offers an insured benefit, not a defense fund.** We don't pick and choose which cases to take. Transparency is an ATPE value: Read the terms and conditions of our Educators Professional Liability Insurance Policy\*\* at [atpe.org/protection](http://atpe.org/protection).
- **Our member legal services program stands out for its turnkey service.** When an eligible member contacts ATPE for employment-related assistance, the ball starts rolling quickly, with the member speaking to an attorney shortly after their benefits are verified.
- **Eligible ATPE members in need of individual representation receive assistance from attorneys ethically bound to represent their client's best interest, not ATPE's.** If your situation involves another eligible ATPE member, you will both have access to your own private-practice attorney from our approved network.
- **Although we welcome administrators as members, we do not represent them in matters related to their supervisory capacity.** That's what the school district's attorneys do.
- **Eligible members receive quick, confidential assistance in English or Spanish at no additional cost** from the ATPE Member Legal Service Department.

**Questions? Contact ATPE at [members@atpe.org](mailto:members@atpe.org) or (800) 777-2873.**

\*ATPE-PAC solicits donations from ATPE members, employees, and their families only. \*\*Eligibility, terms, conditions, and limitations apply. Visit [atpe.org/protection](http://atpe.org/protection) to view important disclosures and current program details. Staff attorney services are provided separate from the Educators Professional Liability Insurance Program.

### ATPE MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

You must join in the appropriate insured category in order to qualify for the Educators Professional Liability Insurance Policy. ATPE reserves the right to determine eligibility for the appropriate membership category. Commissioned peace officers are eligible for public membership only. The Professional, First-Time Professional, Associate, and Administrator membership categories are open to persons employed in Texas by a public school district, institution of higher education, Regional Education Service Center, or the Texas Education Agency. If you have a question about the eligibility of job descriptions not listed below, call (800) 777-2873.

#### INSURED CATEGORIES

##### Professional Member

##### First-Time Professional Member

(Rate available only through 10/31/26)

Assistant Principal  
Athletic Director/Coordinator  
Athletic Trainer  
At-Risk Coordinator  
Audiologist  
Band/Choral Director  
Business Manager  
Coach  
Counselor

Curriculum Director  
Dean of Instruction  
Department Head/Chair  
Diagnostician  
Instructional Officer  
Intern Teacher  
IT Director/Coordinator  
Librarian  
Nurse (RN)  
Parent/Community Coordinator  
Regional Service Center Staff  
School Psychologist/Associate  
Social Worker

Teacher  
Therapist/Pathologist  
University Professor  
Visiting Teacher

##### Administrator Member

Educators who are employed in Texas by a public school district as a principal, assistant/deputy/area superintendent, or superintendent, and whose position requires an administrator certificate from the State Board for Educator Certification

##### Associate Member

Aide to position in Professional category  
Alternative Center Aide  
Bus Driver  
Cafeteria Worker  
Clerk-General  
Computer Programmer/Entry  
Custodial Worker  
Deaf Interpreter  
Educational Aide/Technician  
Maintenance Worker

##### Nurse (LVN)

Regional Service Center Aide  
Secretary  
Security Guard (Unarmed)  
Substitute Teacher

##### Clinical Teacher Member (Free)

Clinical teacher in Texas  
Ed prep student completing observations

##### Paid Teacher Resident (Free)

#### UNINSURED CATEGORIES

##### Join online at [atpe.org](http://atpe.org)

##### College Student Member (Free)

Non-teaching college student

##### Retiree Member

Retired former school employee

##### Public Education Supporter Member

Friend of public education  
Commissioned peace officers are eligible for public membership only.