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On July 24, 2009 (__________________) from (__________________) completed training required in the next phase of the American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT) Physics Teaching Resource Agent (PTRA) program. This program is supported by a grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF) and was held this summer at University of Alberta in Edmonton, Canada.

The goal of the AAPT/PTRA program is to select the most outstanding physics and physical science teachers in the United States and enable them to be resources to other teachers in their region of the country. The training which (__________________) completed this summer has prepared him/her to conduct workshops for other teachers on the following topics:

1. ________________________________,
2. ________________________________,
3. ________________________________,
4. ________________________________,
5. ________________________________, and
6. ________________________________.

For the next several years, (__________________) may be called upon to help other teachers develop effective teaching strategies in these areas.

(__________________) was selected into the program based on the following criteria:

Last Name of Participant

1. evidence of knowledge of physics,
2. evidence of leadership potential,
3. evidence of professional growth,
4. evidence of creative teaching, and
5. the strength of the letter of support provided by superintendent (__________________).

Name of Superintendent

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