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### Lamar Math Teacher Named Teacher of the Year

*March 13, 2009* – Philip Mantaring, a math teacher, has been named Lamar’s 2009 Teacher of the Year. Mantaring began his teaching career at Lamar in 2005 and is the principle author of the Lamar High School Master Teacher Academy (MTA) curriculum for Geometry. In addition to his teaching duties, Mantaring sponsors the Lamar High School’s Model United Nations/Junior Statesmen of America organization, which won the Secretary General’s award for best delegation at last year’s UNAUSA Global Classrooms Model UN Conference held at the University of Houston. In addition to Model UN, Mantaring tutors every morning and is the co-sponsor of the Lamar Warriors, as well is the assistant coach for Lamar Academic Decathlon. He is also the Economics mentor for the International Baccalaureate extended essays while also attending Concordia University to earn his Master’s degree. He was born in Manila, Philippines. Mantaring was a young child when his parents moved to the U.S., where he grew up Sugar Land, TX and graduated from Kempner High School in 2000 and earned an AP Scholar designation. Mantaring is a graduate of University of Texas in Austin.