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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**DEMING HIGH SCHOOL ACHIEVES MODEL SCHOOL STATUS

**Shreveport, LA** February 1, 2013 Ascend Education is pleased to announce that Deming High School has been awarded Model School status.

The Ascend Math Model School Program was created to honor schools that implement Ascend Math with fidelity and integrity and hold them up as leaders in Ascend Math and models for others. The program seeks to celebrate the students' and school's success while providing the opportunity to share best practices with others. The Model School program encourages educators to build a network of knowledge, sharing with other educators the challenges they face and the strategies they use to overcome these challenges with the help of Ascend Math®.

The educators at Deming High School are master implementers of Ascend Math. They regularly set ambitious goals and use data to monitor student progress and improve upon their success.

Since August students using Ascend Math have posted an average pre to post assessment gain of 43%. More than 60% of these students have already gained a full grade level or more in math. These results build on the solid progress Deming High School made last year. During the 2011-2012 school year students with skill gaps of one to more grade levels were able to quickly progress to their actual grade level and beyond.

As a model school, Deming will have the opportunity to share best practices with other educators and districts who will likely benefit from their knowledge and experience.

## **About Ascend Math®**

Ascend Math® is a research based instructional resource in which students have proven to achieve two or more grade level gains in a six month period. This web- delivered individualized intervention resource identifies skill gaps, prescribes targeted instruction, and motivates students to achieve their maximum performance and potential.

Study plans align by grade level to National Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM) standards, Core Curriculum and state standards. Instruction is delivered in a logical math sequence and students can progress at their own pace and track their own progress and success. Ascend Math® is currently used by hundreds of schools and districts serving tens of thousands of students throughout the U.S. and Canada. Visit www.ascendmath.com

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