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Local Teacher Receives Award for Making School Cool

Calgary – Jason Niven, a teacher at Webber Academy, will be presented with a 2006 Teacher Award sponsored by The Association of Professional Engineers, Geologists and Geophysicists of Alberta (APEGGA). At a surprise presentation during the school's year-end celebration, Niven will receive a cash prize of \$1,000 to be used to promote math and science education in the school.

Location: Webber Academy
1515 - 93 Street SW
Calgary, AB
Date: Thursday, June 29, 2006
Time: 9:00 a.m.

"Mr. Niven is simply awe-inspiring," writes one student on the nomination form. "The zeal and enthusiasm that he brings to each math class continues to amaze me." "Mr. Niven is one of those extraordinary people you meet just once in your life and never forget," writes another nominator.

"Jason Niven is the epitome of an excellent mathematics teacher. He takes our profession to a whole different level, and we are all the better for it," writes a colleague in support of the nomination.

The APEGGA Teacher Awards program celebrates math and science teachers in elementary, junior and senior high schools for the excellence they demonstrate in shaping the intellectual and creative development of students and for their outstanding efforts to *Make School Cool*.

"Each year APEGGA recognizes 14 Alberta teachers who have a profound and lasting impact on students," says Jeanne Keaschuk, APEGGA senior outreach coordinator. "This award program rewards exceptional teachers and helps them to further enhance the classroom experience."

Established in 1920, APEGGA is responsible for regulating the practices of engineering, geology and geophysics in the province of Alberta. The association's 44,000 members play a significant role in every segment of the economy, and their technical and management expertise ensure Alberta remains at the forefront of technological innovation.

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Note: APEGGA requests that you not contact the recipient for comment until after the presentation. For additional information on the Teacher Awards, please visit our website at <http://www.apegga.org/Members/ScholarshipsAwards/taward.html>

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