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**FORT STOCKTON MIDDLE SCHOOL ACHIEVES MODEL SCHOOL STATUS**

**Shreveport, LA (August 22, 2012)** Ascend Education is pleased to announce that Fort Stockton Middle School of Fort Stockton, TX 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 Fort Stockton Middle School are master implementers of Ascend Math. They regularly set ambitious goals and use data to monitor student progress and improve upon their success.

Fort Stockton Middle School achieved tremendous results helping struggling math students pass the TAKS state mandated test in the 2010/2011 school year. During the 2011/2012 school year their students once again stacked up impressive results with pre assessment to post assessment gains up to 39%. During the 2011/2012 school year students logged over 10,000 hours on Ascend Math.

As a model school, Fort Stockton 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](http://www.ascendmath.com)

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