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For Immediate Release:

TEUTOPOLIS EDUCATOR IS A "PRIME TIME TEACHER"

CHARLESTON – Jamie Niemerg, a teacher at Teutopolis Grade School, was a featured speaker at the 46th annual Conference on the Teaching of Mathematics, held March 4 at Eastern Illinois University.

Niemerg, a graduate of EIU, discussed activities designed to let students see and learn how math is used in our daily lives (e.g., houses, quilts, shopping, buildings, etc.).

According to Andrew White, EIU faculty member and chairman of the conference, Niemerg was one of only 42 teachers invited to make presentations at this year's conference. More than 200 teachers were considered.

Robert Grimm, 2002-2003 Illinois Teacher of the Year, was the conference's keynote speaker. Grimm received his master's degree from Eastern, as well.

Nearly 300 teachers attended the event.