The 2013 recipient of the NYS AHPERD Secondary Physical Education Teacher of the Year Award is Jason Lehmbeck. Jason received a bachelor of science in physical education and a master of science in health education from SUNY Cortland. He is currently studying at the University of Rochester to earn a masters degree in educational leadership. He has been a physical education and health education teacher at the Minerva DeLand School in the Fairport Central School District for the past seventeen years. Jason is a member of the Physical Education Steering Committee, the District Curriculum Council, he is the Leadership Asset Program Facilitator, and the Leadership Club Advisor. Jason’s 9th grade curriculum includes, five core activities; fitness theory, fitness application, instructional swim, court games and a leadership class that incorporates curriculum related to bullying. His students are afforded the opportunity to select five additional electives. He believes that one of the most beneficial teaching methodologies is giving students choice and a variety of experiences. In service to NYS AHPERD, Jason is a current member of the Board of Directors, he is an Association Past President, as well as past President of both the Central Western Zone and the Secondary Section. Jason has given many presentations at both state and local conferences. He has been recognized as the Crystal Apple Teacher of the Year from the Minerva DeLand School, Central Western Zone Secondary Teacher of the Year, and the Secondary Physical Education and Central Western Zone Amazing Person Award. Jason’s director said, “Jason is a natural born leader. When you talk to him and more importantly watch him with his students you realize quickly that he is unique. His deep curricular knowledge, his understanding of teaching pedagogy, his ability to communicate and connect with his students, and his passion for promoting living a healthy lifestyle separate him from the norm.” President Sherman, it is my honor to present to you the recipient of the 2013 Secondary Physical Education Teacher of the Year Award, Jason Lehmbeck.