

2021 SWCOLT
REGIONAL TEACHER OF THE YEAR CANDIDATE



Michael Lee
2021 Teacher of the Year
NEVADA

The Teacher of the Year for the Professional Language Association of Nevada is Michael S. Lee. He recently graduated with his second Masters of Education degree focusing on school counseling. Michael is an active member of the Southern Nevada Japanese Teachers Association, where he served as president. He has been involved in many community outreach and student leadership development programs with the Asian Community Development Council, OCA Asian Pacific American Advocates, Asian Culture Alliance and the Las Vegas Korean Association. Michael successfully completed The Public Education Foundation's Teacher Leader Academy. He credits his educational philosophy to his experience as an Assistant Language Teacher for The Japan Exchange and Teaching Program. Michael's teaching philosophy focuses on building culture and community engagement in tandem with course curriculum.