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**LENNARD HIGH SCHOOL COACH GEORGE EDINGTON HONORED AS
BUCCANEERS COACH OF THE WEEK**

Lennard High School Coach George Edington has been named the Buccaneers Coach of the Week for week two of the 2008 season. Buccaneers Head Coach Jon Gruden presented Edington with a certificate and a personalized football following Thursday morning's practice at One Buccaneer Place. Prior to practice, Edington and guests toured the team's state-of-the-art training facility. The coach will receive \$1,000 for his high school football program and be featured on www.buccaneers.com.

On Friday, September 12, Edington earned his first victory of the season and the first of his head coaching career by defeating visiting Sickles High School 21-14. Rallying from an early 14-point deficit, the host Longhorns scored three consecutive touchdowns, including both a rushing and receiving score by wide receiver Brandon Stephens. Quarterback Andrew Burdick connected with receiver Blake Kennedy for a touchdown as well. Lennard's charge went unanswered, as the Longhorns' defense held Sickles scoreless for the final three quarters.

The Buccaneers will honor ten high school coaches from West Central and Central Florida during this year's prep football season. A Coach of the Year, who receives an additional \$1,000 for his football program, will be selected from the ten weekly winners at the end of the season. The Buccaneers and National Football League's Coach of the Week program aids in the development of youth football, which has a positive influence on young athletes and the communities in which they live. For more information on the Tampa Bay Buccaneers' youth football initiatives, visit www.buccaneers.com.

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