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Priority Activities in 2006-2007 are:

- Maintain focus on enhancing teacher quality in high-poverty, low-performing, hard-to-staff schools, and for students with special needs.
- Topical areas of focus include:
  - Teacher availability
  - Recruitment
  - Retention

Key Forums and Topical Meetings

- *Raising Student Achievement Through the Equitable Distribution of Teachers* Webcast (March 30, 2006)
- *National Issue Forum to Addresses Personnel Shortages and the Recruitment of Special Education, Mathematics, and Science Teachers in At-Risk Schools* (May 24-25, 2006)
- *Innovative Ideas and Practical Suggestions for Improving the State Highly Qualified Teacher Plans* Webcast (September 7, 2006)
- *Focusing Teacher Preparation on At-Risk and Hard-to-Staff Schools* Webcast (September 21, 2006)
- Annual What Works Conference (November 8-9, 2006)

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