

Background

The Commission's Task Force on Graduate Teacher Education met during 2001 to develop *Guidelines* for the proposed Teaching Scholarship Grants Program to be funded by the S.C. Lottery. Representatives of the S.C. Teacher Recruitment Center, the Division of Teacher Quality of the State Department of Education, and the Commission's Division of Student Affairs also participated in the Task Force's discussion of the *Guidelines*.

In "non-recurring" lottery funds, \$2 million has been allocated to the program. At award levels of \$1,000, the program will reach 2000 teachers. It is our expectation that "demand" will exceed "supply" of grant funds, so the *Guidelines* have built in some prioritizing in terms of recipient eligibility.