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## Front Page Items

1. **Professional tips** for classroom teachers from the Office of Academic and Professional Standards content coordinators.
2. Check out the **Jason Project** for information on technology-based science curriculum and professional learning (<http://www.jason.org/>).
3. **Bishop Desmond Tutu** will speak at NJPAC on March 15, 2004 from 3:00 to 5:00 PM.

## Continuing Professional Development

1. Visit the **Opportunities** page for workshops and fellowships. It is constantly updated (<http://www.njpep.org/workshops/ops/index.html>).
2. **The New Teacher Institutes** continue. Mark these dates: 2/5/04, 3/30/04, 4/8/04, and 5/13/04.
3. **E-lead**: a database of resources about programs and information for professional development of school principals (<http://www.e-lead.org/>).

## Data-Driven Decision-Making

1. **Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP)** workshops available from NJPEP. Schedule a workshop.
2. **Fulfilling the Promise of the Differentiated Classroom: Strategies and Tools for Responsive Teaching** by Carol Ann Tomlinson. Find it on <http://www.ascd.org/>.
3. **Smart Library on Closing the Achievement Gap** from NCREL. Topics, questions and guides. <http://www.ncrel.gap.smartlibrary.info/newinterface/>

## Coming to NJPEP

1. **Briggs vs. Elliott site** - A Social Studies Curriculum Guide and Teacher Resource developed for South Carolina by the children of Joseph Delaine - who encouraged the *Briggs vs. Elliott* case.
2. A bimonthly **Mentoring Newsletter** from Vicki Duff. Check the link off NJPEP's front page starting in February!

## Selected Resources for February

1. Information and activities related to African-American History Month. [http://www.galegroup.com/free\\_resources/bhm/index.htm](http://www.galegroup.com/free_resources/bhm/index.htm)
2. Activities for Groundhog Day, Presidents' Day, and Valentine's Day. <http://www.educationworld.com/holidays/archives/february.shtml>
3. Grant opportunity! **GRANTS.GOV** (<http://www.grants.gov/>). This site allows organizations to electronically find and apply for competitive grant opportunities from all Federal grant-making agencies.

## Parents and Students

1. Check out the new **Student Opportunities** page for contests and competitions. [http://www.njpep.org/parents\\_students/opportunities.html](http://www.njpep.org/parents_students/opportunities.html)
2. Visit the **NJDOE Parents Circle** for information about testing and other school-related issues.