Definition of Priority Schools

A Priority School is:

(1) a Title I school among the lowest five percent of Title I schools in the State based on the achievement of the "all students" group in terms of proficiency on the statewide assessments that are part of the SEA's differentiated recognition, accountability, and support system, combined, and has demonstrated a lack of progress on those assessments over a number of years in the "all students" group;

(2) a school among the lowest five percent of all schools in the State based on the achievement of the "all students" group in terms of proficiency on the statewide assessments that are part of the SEA's differentiated recognition, accountability, and support system, combined, and has demonstrated a lack of progress on those assessments over a number of years in the "all students" group;

(3) a Title I-participating, Title I-eligible, and/or non-Title I high school with a graduation rate less than 60 percent over a number of years; or

*(4) a Priority School under the SIG program that is using SIG funds to implement a school intervention model.

*Priority schools currently receiving a SIG grant are not eligible to apply for the March 26, 2012 grant competition.