

# **SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHERS can now be forgiven \$17,500 in federal student loans**

**Help ensure that every student is taught  
by a highly effective teacher**

**and**

**Receive \$17,500 in college loan forgiveness!**

The nation's special education students are in dire need of qualified teachers. In 2005 federal government created an incentive to retain special education teachers in low-income schools by increasing the amount of loan forgiveness available for special education teachers who teach for five consecutive years in designated schools.

## **You are eligible if:**

You borrowed money after October 1, 1998,  
You received federal Perkins, FFEL, or Direct loans, AND  
You taught special education in a low-income school for five consecutive years.

This information is important for 1) special education teachers, who can benefit now, 2) any student interested in becoming a special education teacher, and 3) high school and college guidance counselors who share this information with interested students.

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