

# The Facts:

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- ❖ Funding for South Carolina's public schools has been cut over \$450 million over the last four years.
- ❖ The Education Finance Act Base Student Cost has been underfunded by over \$100 million over the past four years, down from \$2,012 per student in 2000-2001 to \$1,827 in 2004-2005.

## The March for Education Equity - May 15 Columbia

Over 60 education, community and business organizations are co-sponsoring the March for Education Equity on Saturday, May 15, 2004.

All citizens of South Carolina-adults and school children-are invited to join in the march to the State House.

The march will step off at 10:30 a.m. from in front of Zion Baptist Church (corner of Gadsden and Washington Streets) and the State House rally begins at 11:00 a.m. and will conclude by noon.



### *Honorary Co-chairpersons*

Dick Riley, Former U.S. Secretary of Education  
Ernest A. Finney, Former Chief-Justice S.C. Supreme Court  
Inez Tenenbaum, S.C. Superintendent of Education  
Major General Charles Bolden, USMC (ret), US Astronaut  
Kary Mullis, 1993 Nobel Prize Winner

### *Grand Marshall*

Pat Conroy

### *Co-Chairman*

Rhett Jackson      Dr. Lonnie Randolph, Jr.

### *March Coordinator*

Bud Ferillo