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Date	Name of the SOTW	Author(s)	Category	Place
01/28/05	Achievement Gap	AERA Research Points	Achievement Gaps	National
02/04/05	Enrollment Trends in Saint Paul	Steve Schellenberg	Achievement Gaps	SPPS
02/11/05	English Language Learners: Boosting Academic Achievement	AERA Research Points	English Language Learners	National
02/18/05	Saint Paul Public Schools are Beating the Odds	Tom Watkins	Achievement Gaps	SPPS
02/25/05	Standards and Tests: Keeping them Aligned	AERA Research Points	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
03/04/05	Work Sampling System (WSS) in SPPS Community Kindergarten and School Readiness Programs	Marian Heinrichs	Early Childhood	SPPS
03/11/05	Project for Academic Excellence Implementation Summary 2004	CAREI	Leadership & Teaching Quality	SPPS
03/18/05	Why Segregation Matters: Poverty and Educational Inequality	The Civil Rights Project at Harvard University	School Choice & Integration	National
03/25/05	One-third of a Nation: Rising Dropout Rates and Declining Opportunity	Policy Evaluation and Research Center of ETS	High School Reform & College Access	National
04/15/05	Uncommonly Successful English/Language Arts Programs Share Common Instructional Features	National Research Center on English Language Learning and Achievement (CELA) Univ of Albany, SUNY	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
04/22/05	How Leadership Influences Student Learning: A Review of Research produced by the Learning from Leadership Project	CAREI	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
04/29/05	Promising Practices Project (PPP)	Marian Heinrichs, Mary Chorewycz, Kent Pekel	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	SPPS
05/06/05	Teaching at Risk: A Call to Action	The Teaching Commission	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
05/13/05	A National at Risk: The Imperative for Educational Reform	National Commission on Excellence in Education	Achievement Gaps	National
05/20/05	Resource Allocation to Improve Student Achievement	Stacey Gray-Akyea and Joe Munnich	Cost Benefit Analysis	SPPS
05/27/05	A New Vision for Saint Paul Schools: Preparing All Students for Success in Higher Education	Citizens League	High School Reform & College Access	SPPS
06/03/05	Fact or Fiction: Data Tell the True Story Behind America's Urban School Districts	Standard & Poor's for Schoolmatters.com, A project of the National Education Data Partnership	Cost Benefit Analysis	National

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06/10/05	The Condition of Education 2005	NCES	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
08/12/05	A Practical Guide to Promoting America's Public Schools	Learning First Alliance	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
08/19/05	America's Children: Key National indicators of Well-Being 2005	Federal interagency Forum on Child and Family Statistics	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
08/26/05	Teaching Teachers: Professional Development to Improve Student Achievement	AERA Research Points	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
09/02/05	Working Outreach for Weighted Class Inclusiveness (WOW) Evaluation Reports for the 2004-05 School Year	Katherine Drake	Continuous Improvement & Accountability & High School Reform & College Access	SPPS
09/16/05	Promising Partnership Practices	National Network of Partnership Schools	Assessment & Data Systems	National
09/30/05	Enrollment Increases	Steve Schellenberg	Achievement Gaps	SPPS
10/07/05	Advanced Placement (2005)	Teresa Fitzgerald	High School Reform & College Access	SPPS
10/14/05	Communities and Schools: A New View of Urban Education Reform	Mark R. Warren, Harvard University	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
10/21/05	SPPS Early Kindergarten 2004-05 Evaluation Report	Marian Heinrichs	Early Childhood	SPPS
10/28/05	Getting Back on Track: Standards-based Reform and Accountability	Lauren Resnick and Chris Zurawsky, from American Educator	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
11/04/05	Summary of Feedback and Reflections on Administrator's Academy 2005	T. Watkins, T. Fitzgerald, J. Munnich, C. Gjelhaug, and K. Emerson	Assessment & Data Systems	SPPS
11/11/05	Conclusion of the Community Conversation on School Choice	Kent Pekel et al.	School Choice & Integration	SPPS
12/02/05	School District Integration Revenue Evaluation Report	MN Office of the Legislative Auditor (OLA)	School Choice & Integration	National
12/09/05	The Classroom of Popular Culture	Harvard Education Letter	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
12/19/05	2005 ACT Assessment	Teresa Fitzgerald	High School Reform & College Access	SPPS

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01/06/06	Responsiveness to Intervention and Learning Disabilities	National Joint Committee on Learning Disabilities	Special Education	National
01/13/06	Curriculum Assessment	Andrew Porter, Vanderbilt Univ.	Content Area Development	National
01/31/06	Decentralized Decision-making for Schools	RAND	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
02/03/06	Charter, Private, Public Schools and Academic Achievement: New Evidence from NAEP Mathematics Data	NAEP	Assessment & Data Systems	National
02/10/06	Cost-Benefit Analysis of the Title I Chicago Child-Parent Center Program	Arthur Reynolds & Judy Temple	Cost Benefit Analysis	National
02/17/06	Single-Sex Versus Co-educational Schooling: A Systematic Review	US Department of Education	School Choice & Integration	National
02/24/06	All Work and No Play? Listening to What Kids and Parents Really Want from Out-of-School Time	Wallace Foundation and Public Agenda	At-Risk Students & Out of School Time	National
03/03/06	Missed Opportunities Revisited: New Information on Students Who Do Not Apply for Financial Aid	American Council on Education - Center for Policy	High School Reform & College Access	National
03/10/06	Reading Between the Lines: What the ACT Reveals About College	ACT	High School Reform & College Access	National
03/24/06	Beating the Odds Volume VI	The Council of Great City Schools	Achievement Gaps	SPPS
3/31/2006 4/7/2006	Teachers Matter: Evidence from Value-Added Assessments (ran 2 weeks)	AERA Research Points	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
04/21/06	Achievement of Hmong Students in SPPS	Tom Watkins	English Language Learners & Achievement Gaps	SPPS
04/28/06	Fragile Futures: Risk and Vulnerability Among Latino High Achievers	ETS- Patricia Gandara	Achievement Gaps	National
05/05/06	Changing NCLB District Accountability Standards Report	The Civil Rights Project at Harvard University	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
05/12/06	Student Achievement Gains and Gaps in SPPS	Tom Watkins	Achievement Gaps	SPPS
05/19/06	Meeting Five Critical Challenges of High School Reform: Lessons on Research from Three Reform Models (2006)	Janet Quint of MDRC	High School Reform & College Access	National
05/26/06	Advancing System-wide Instructional Reform	J. Marsh, K. Kerr, G. Ikemoto, H. Darilek, M. Suttorp, R. Zimmer and H. Barney	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National

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06/09/06	College Summit, Inc.	Fast Company/Monitor Group	High School Reform & College Access	National
08/11/06	Closing the Expectations Gaps (2006)	Achieve, Inc., American Diploma Project Network	Assessment & Data Systems	National
08/18/06	Similar Students, Different Results: Why Do Some Schools Do Better?	EdSource (June, 2006)	Achievement Gaps	National
08/25/06	Public's Attitudes Toward Public Schools	38th Annual Phi Delta Kappa/Gallup Poll, By Michael T. Martin	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
09/01/06	Inside the Black Box: Raising Standards Through Classroom Assessment	Paul Black & Dylan William	Assessment & Data Systems	National
09/08/06	A Closer Look at Charter Schools Hierarchical Modeling	National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP)	School Choice & Integration	National
09/15/06	Effects of Kindergarten Retention Policy on Children's Cognitive Growth in Reading and Mathematics	Guanglei Hong & Stephen Raudenbush	Early Childhood	National
09/29/06	What Reading Does for the Mind	Anne Cunningham & Keith Stanovich	Content Area Development	National
10/06/06	Impact of the School Change Framework in 23 REA Schools	Barbara Taylor & Debra Peterson	Content Area Development	National
10/13/06	Reading First in SPPS: Round 1 Schools at Year 3	SPPS	Content Area Development	SPPS
10/20/06	Guidelines for Teaching Middle and High School Students to Read and Write Well	Judith Langer	Content Area Development	National
10/27/06	Reading Next: A Vision for Action and Research in Middle and High School Literacy: A report to Carnegie Corporation of New York	Biancarosa, C., & Snow, C. E., (2006). Reading next- A vision for action and research in middle and high school literacy: A report to Carnegie Corporation of New York (2nd Ed). Washington, DC: Alliance for Excellent in Education	Content Area Development	National
11/03/06	District-wide Demographics and Achievement Results for American Indian Students	Tom Watkins & Terri Fitzgerald	Achievement Gaps	SPPS
11/11/06	District-wide Demographics and Achievement Results for Asian American Students	Tom Watkins & Terri Fitzgerald	Achievement Gaps	SPPS
11/17/06	District-wide Demographics and Achievement Results for Latino Students	Tom Watkins & Terri Fitzgerald	Achievement Gaps	SPPS
12/01/06	District-wide Demographics and Achievement Results for African American Students	Tom Watkins & Terri Fitzgerald	Achievement Gaps	SPPS

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12/08/06	District-wide Demographics and Achievement Results for Caucasian Students	Tom Watkins & Terri Fitzgerald	Achievement Gaps	SPPS
12/15/06	The Link Between High School Reform and College Access for Low Income Minority Youth	Martinez & Klopott	High School Reform & College Access	National
01/12/07	Quality Counts 2007: From Cradle to Career	Education Research Center	Assessment & Data Systems	National
01/19/07	Ready or Not: Creating a High School Diploma That Counts	American Diploma Project	High School Reform & College Access	National
01/26/07	What Works Clearinghouse Intervention Report: Lessons in Character	Institute of Education Sciences	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
02/02/07	Advanced Placement (AP) Report (2006)	Terri Fitzgerald & Tom Watkins	High School Reform & College Access	SPPS
02/09/07	AERA - Early Childhood Education: Investing in Quality Makes Sense	AERA	Early Childhood	National
02/16/07	On the Clock: Rethinking the Way the Schools Use Time	Elena Silva	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
02/23/07	Making Connections: Facing the Dropout Crisis in Arizona	Voices for Education	High School Reform & College Access	National
03/02/07	Community Partnerships Supporting Education	DeHavilland Associates	Family and Community Involvement	National
03/09/07	Do the Math: Cognitive Demand Makes a Difference	AERA	Content Area Development	National
03/16/07	Creating a World-Class Education System in Ohio	Achieve, Inc.	Cost Benefit Analysis	National
03/23/07	STEP Literacy Assessment®	Center for Urban School Improvement	Assessment & Data Systems	National
03/30/07	A Longitudinal Examination of the Diagnostic Accuracy and Predictive Validity of R-CBM and High Stakes Testing	John M. Hintze and Benjamin Silbergliitt	Assessment & Data Systems	National
04/13/07	Phonological Awareness Literacy Screening	University of Virginia	Assessment & Data Systems	National
04/27/07	Ready for School: Can Full-Day Kindergarten Level the Playing Field?	RAND	Early Childhood	National
05/04/07	Responsiveness to Intervention (RtI) Model	National Joint Committee on Learning Disabilities	Special Education	National
05/11/07	Family Involvement in Elementary School Children's Education	Harvard Family Research Project	Family and Community Involvement	National

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05/18/07	Opportunities to Learn in America's Elementary School Classrooms	Greg Toppo, USA Today	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
05/25/07	Educating Newcomers: Ensuring that Immigrants Succeed in Public Schools	William Celis III	English Language Learners	National
06/01/07	Becoming Data Driven Educators	Scott McLeod	Assessment & Data Systems	National
06/08/07	Dropout Prevention Review	What Works Clearinghouse	High School Reform & College Access	National
08/24/07	Advancing System-wide Instructional Reform	RAND	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
08/31/07	Helpful Back to School Statistics	NCES	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
09/07/07	Science Education That Makes Sense	AERA	Content Area Development	National
09/14/07	Cognitive Abilities Test (CogAt)	Riverside Publishing	Assessment & Data Systems	National
09/21/07	Research Update--Highlights from the Out-School Time Database	Harvard Family Research Project	At-Risk Students & Out of School Time	National
09/28/07	Achievement Trap	Joshua S. Wyner, John M. Bridgeland & John J. Dilulio, Jr.	Achievement Gaps	National
10/05/07	Volume 1--Title I School Choice, Supplemental Educational Services, and Student Achievement	RAND	School Choice & Integration	National
10/12/07	The Proficiency Illusion - Minnesota Profile	Thomas B. Fordham Institute	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
10/19/07	Gauging Growth: How to Judge NCLB?	Bruce Fuller, Joseph Wright, Kathryn Gesicki, & Erin Kang	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
10/26/07	Resiliency Strategies Can Prevent School Dropouts	Kelly Hupfeld	At-Risk Students & Out of School Time	National
11/02/07	Effective Teachers for At-Risk Schools and Students	National Comprehensive Center for Teacher Quality (NCCTQ)	At-Risk Students & Out of School Time	National
11/09/07	The Importance of Play in Promoting Healthy Child Development and Maintaining Strong Parent-Child Bonds	Kenneth R. Ginsberg	Family and Community Involvement	National

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11/16/07	Instructional Coaching	Julie Kowal & Lucy Steiner	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
11/30/07	SNAPSHOTS on Minnesota Youth	Minnesota Department of Education (MDE) and Department of Public Safety (DPS)	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
12/07/07	Creating Paths to Father Involvement: Lessons from Early Head Start	Mathematica Policy Research, Inc.	Family and Community Involvement	National
12/14/07	Healthy Alternatives to Chairs and Desks	Mayo Clinic	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
12/21/07	Implementing High School Level Professional Learning Communities in SPPS	Evelyn Belton-Kocher, Stacey Gray-Akyea & Michael Thompson	High School Reform & College Access	SPPS
01/04/07	Colin L. Powell Academy; Schools Moving Up: Ideas In Action	WestEd	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
01/11/07	Instructional Coaching	Julie Kowal & Lucy Steiner	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
01/19/07	Characteristics of Minority Students Who Excel on the SAT and in the Classroom	Brent Bridgeman & Cathy Wendler	High School Reform & College Access	National
01/25/08	How Educators in Three States Are Responding to Standards-Based Accountability Under No Child Left Behind	RAND	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
02/01/08	Why Some Schools With Latino Children Beat the Odds...and Others Don't	Morrison Institute For Public Policy	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
02/08/07	Reading First Not Good Nationally, But Great Locally	Center on Educational Policy	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
02/15/08	Influence--A Study fo the Factors Shaping Education Policy	Christopher B. Swanson & Janelle Barlage	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
02/22/08	High School Reform and Work: Facing Labor Market Realities	Paul E. Barton, ETS	High School Reform & College Access	National

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02/29/08	From Aspirations to Actions: The Role of Middle School Parents in Making the Dream of College a Reality	Alisa F. Cunningham, Wendy Erisman, & Shannon M. Looney	Family and Community Involvement	National
03/07/08	Implementation of Supplemental Educational Services in the St. Paul Schools	Jim Ysseldyke, Cheryl Carlstrom, Chee Soon Tan, & Magdalena Brockel	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	SPPS
03/14/08	Principal as Instructional Leader: Designing a Coaching Program that Fits	Center for Comprehensive School Reform and Improvement	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
03/21/08	Balancing Local Assessment with Statewide Testing: Building a Program that meets Student Needs	WestEd	Assessment & Data Systems	National
04/04/08	Title I School Choice and Supplemental Educational Services Interim Report (Highlights and Full Report)	US Department of Education	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
04/11/08	Investments in K-12 Education in Minnesota: What Works?	Henry M. Levin, Clive R. Belfield	High School Reform & College Access & Cost Benefit Analysis	National
04/18/08	Active Education: Physical Education, Physical Activity and Academic Performance	Stewart G Trost, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
04/25/08	Learning, Arts, and the Brain: The Dana Consortium Report on Arts and Cognition	Michael Gazzaniga, The Dana Foundation	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
05/02/08	The Family: America's Smallest School	Paul E. Barton & Richard J. Coley, ETS	Family and Community Involvement	National
05/16/08	Organizing Instruction and Study to Improve Student Learning	US Department of Education	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
05/23/08	Encouraging Girls in Math and Science	US Department of Education	Content Area Development	National
05/30/08	2008 Legislative Report-Assessment Advisory Committee	Minnesota Department of Education (MDE)	Assessment & Data Systems	National
06/06/08	Time to Learn	AERA	At-Risk Students & Out of School Time	National
08/08/08	Evaluating the Spirituality for Kids After-School Program	RAND	At-Risk Students & Out of School Time	National
08/29/08	Fast Facts: Helpful Back to School Statistics	Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National

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09/05/08	In Search of a Broader View of Education: An Essay Review of Glass's <i>Fertilizers, Pills, and Magnetic Strips</i>	Benjamin Levin; Ontario Institute of Studies in Education, University of Toronto	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
09/12/08	Professor Researches How to Speak to Children	Dana Dinkel, Wichita State University News	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
09/19/08	Mounting a Curricular Revolution: An Interview with Henry Louis Gates, Jr.	Claus von Zastrow, Public School Insights	Content Area Development	National
09/26/08	The Impact of Educational Quality on the Community: A Literature Review	Stephen J. Carroll, Ethan Scherer, RAND	Family and Community Involvement	National
10/03/08	A Call to Restructure Restructuring: Lessons from the No Child Left Behind Act in Five States	Caitlin Scott, Center on Education Policy	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
10/10/08	Present, Engaged, and Accounted For: The Critical Importance of Addressing Chronic Absence in the Early Grades	Hedy N Chang, & Mariajosé Romero	Early Childhood <i>and</i> At-Risk Students and Out-of-School Time	National
10/17/08	Cross-Cultural Analysis of Students with Exceptional Talent in Mathematical Problem Solving	Titu Andreescu, Joseph A. Gallian, Jonathan M. Kane, & Janet E. Mertz	Achievement Gaps	National
10/24/08	Generational Gains in Postsecondary Education Appear to Have Stalled, New ACE Report Finds	Kellee Edmonds & Tim McDonough	High School Reform & College Access	National
10/31/08	Principal as Instructional Leader: Designing a Coaching Program that Fits	Julie Kowal & Lucy Steiner	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
11/07/08	Keeping Pace with K-12 Online Learning: A Review of State-Level Policy and Practice	John Watson & Jennifer Ryan	School Choice & Integration	National
11/14/08	High School Reform in Boston Public Schools: The Effect of Focus on High Schools on Student Academic Outcomes	Susanne James-Burdumy, Irma Perez-Johnson, & Sonya Vartivarian	High School Reform & College Access	National
11/21/08	The Pre-K Pinch: Early Education and the Middle Class	Albert Wat, Pre-K Now	Early Childhood	National
11/28/08	No Study of the Week			
12/05/08	Reading First Impact Study: Final Report	Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education	Early Childhood	National
12/12/08	Cities in Crisis: A Special Analytic Report on High School Graduation	Christopher B. Swanson, Editorial Projects in Education Research Center	High School Reform & College Access	National
12/19/08-1/8/09	No Study of the Week			

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01/09/09	Annals of Education; Most Likely to Succeed: How do we Hire When We Can't Tell Who's Right for the Job?	Malcolm Gladwell, The New Yorker	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
01/30/09	Science Learning at Museums, Zoos, Other Informal Settings	National Academy of Sciences, <i>ScienceDaily</i>	Family and Community Involvement <i>and</i> Content Area Development	National
02/06/09	How Legislation and Litigation Shape School Choice	Julie F. Mead, The Great Lakes Center for Education Research & Practice	School Choice & Integration	National
02/13/09	United States Is Substantially Behind Other Nations in Providing Teacher Professional Development That Improves Student Learning; Report Identifies Practices that Work	National Staff Development Council	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
03/06/09	The MetLife Survey of the American Teacher	MetLife	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
03/13/09	New Tactics To Tackle Bystander's Role In Bullying	Paper by Peter Fonagy, Stuart W. Twemlow, Eric M. Vernberg, Jennifer Mize Nelson, Edward J. Dill, Todd D. Little & John A. Sargent; article from ScienceDaily	At-Risk Students & Out of School Time	National
03/20/09	Poverty and Potential: Out-of-School Factors and School Success	David C Berliner, Arizona State University & The Great Lakes Center for Education Research & Practice	At-Risk Students & Out of School Time	National
04/02/09	Charter Schools in 8 States: Effects on Achievement, Attainment, Integration, and Competition	Ron Zimmer, Brian Gill, Kevin Booker, Stephane Lavertu, Tim R. Sass & John Witte; RAND Education	School Choice & Integration	National
04/10/09	Inconsistent Performance Speed Among Children with ADHD may Underlie How Well They Use Memory	Medical News Today	Early Childhood	National
04/17/09	Improving Accountability in Public Education	RAND	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
04/24/09	Increasing Participation in No Child Left Behind School Choice	RAND	School Choice & Integration	National
05/01/09	Designing Effective Pay-for-Performance in K-12 Education	RAND	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
05/08/09	Promoting Effective Preschool Programs	RAND	Early Childhood	National
05/15/09	The Role of Charter Schools in Improving Education	RAND	School Choice & Integration	National
05/22/09	A Portrait of Unauthorized Immigrants in the United States	Jeffrey S. Passel & D'Vera Cohn	English Language Learners	National

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05/29/09	Making it Easier for Staff to Help Traumatized Students	RAND	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
06/05/09	Title I Implementation: Update on Recent Evaluation Findings	US Department of Education	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
06/12/09	The State of America's Children 2008	Children's Defense Fund	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
08/21/09	The Strengths of Poor Families	Child Trends; Sherylls Valladares, B.A. and Kristin Anderson Moore, Ph.D.	At-Risk Students & Out of School Time	National
09/04/09	2009 Presidential Address: Repositioning Politics in Education's Circle of Knowledge	Lorraine M. McDonnell	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
09/11/09	Supplemental Educational Services and Student Achievement in Waiver Districts: Anchorage and Hillsborough	Miguel Socias, Juliette-Marie deSousa, & Kerstin Carlson Le Floch	Continuous Improvement & Accountability	National
09/18/09	Helping Students Navigate the Path to College: What High Schools Can Do	Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education	High School Reform and College Access	National
09/25/09	Structuring Out-of-School Time to Improve Academic Achievement	Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education	At-Risk Students & Out of School Time	National
10/02/09	Seeing is Believing: Promising Practices for How School Districts Promote Family Engagement	Harvard Family Research Project	Family and Community Involvement	National
10/09/09	Using Student Achievement Data to Support Instructional Decision Making	Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National
10/16/09	Reducing Behavior Problems in the Elementary School Classroom	Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education	At-Risk Students & Out of School Time	National
10/23/09	Improving Adolescent Literacy: Effective Classroom and Intervention Practices	Institute of Education Sciences, U.S. Department of Education	Content Area Development	National
10/30/09	Organizing Instruction and Study to Improve Student Learning	US Department of Education	Leadership & Teaching Quality	National