

## **2006-2007 AAUW NYS PUBLIC POLICY PRIORITIES EQUITY IN EDUCATIONAL FUNDING**

In 2005 AAUW NYS passed a Resolution "in support of the principal of establishing a fair, timely and transparent system of school funding in New York". An informative meeting was video taped. We have held convention workshops. Did you know that 517 school districts in NYS are under funded? The case for equitable school funding has been years in the court system. The case has been won and appealed several times. Latest Court Hearing will be October 10, 2004. You are urged to advocate and encourage legislators to support School Funding Reform.

**Campaign for Fiscal Equity (CFE)**, [www.cfequity.org](http://www.cfequity.org), 212-867-8455, 6 East 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, NY, NY 10017. It is a Grassroots coalition. Localized information can be requested and sent to you reflecting needs in your area. CFE's theme for the election is "Think Education First". You can sign up on the website home page

**Alliance for Quality Education (AQE)**, [www.aqeny.org](http://www.aqeny.org), 518-432-5315, 94 Central Avenue, Albany, NY 12206. Ideas on how you can plan events in September/October - School Aid Reform is an election issue.

### **Sources for potential participants in branch activities about Equity in Educational Funding are:**

1. Diane Haney, AAUW NYS President
2. CFE and AQE
3. List of the towns (with supervisors' names and contact information) that have taken action in support of property tax reform
4. Alphabetical lists of community groups with locations that are working on tax reform issues.