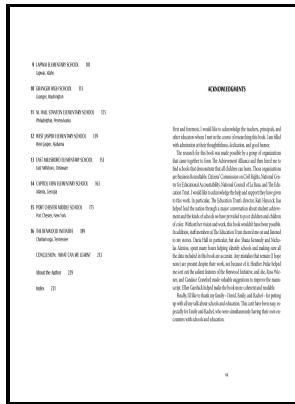


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The answer is that educators must build durable institutions dedicated to improvement and locating best practices, collaborate far more than we currently do, and track the progress of every child throughout the year to ensure every child succeeds.

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She identifies the many characteristics of successful schools, including setting high expectations for students, data-driven instruction, the wise use of school time, ongoing professional development of teachers, and comprehensive leadership teams made up of principals, teachers, parents, and community members. If every school in America adopted the lessons of 'It's Being Done,' then the achievement gap--in my view, the greatest injustice facing our nation--would be relegated to the history books.

#### **It's Being Done**

It is a lot of work and dedication though, as evident in the interviews. The kind of systematic improvements in school outcomes as opposed to improving the life of this or that child that Ms. It demonstrates unequivocally that an unyielding belief in the ability of all children—regardless of background—to excel at the highest levels combined with a relentless commitment to excellent instruction can radically transform public education in this nation.

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