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Achieving Dramatic Improvement: An Exploratory Study

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Martin Orland, Director of WestEd's Evaluation Research Program and author of the study, *Achieving Dramatic Improvement: An Exploratory Study*, will identify reform-related approaches and themes common across 11 schools that stood out in a larger study for their significant improvement in student achievement. The webinar will also describe differences in the specifics of the schools' improvement efforts.

The schools highlighted in the report were selected for further examination from a nationwide pool of 1,946 initially low-performing elementary and middle schools that had received funding under the federal Comprehensive School Reform (CSR) program. In the course of a five-year longitudinal study of CSR implementation and student outcomes, these 11 schools stood out for their significant improvement in student achievement.

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