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## Michael Dunbar

Michael Dunbar is a turnaround specialist working in Arizona, focusing on secondary school improvement through the systematic implementation of targeted strategies aimed at increasing graduation rates and overall student learning. Prior to working as a turnaround leader, he worked as an academic program specialist for the Arizona State Board for Charter Schools, the primary charter authorizing entity in the state. He coordinated efforts for new charters to apply for permission to operate using public funding. He also helped ensure high quality education for the students of Arizona by conducting site visits to hold charter schools accountable for statutory requirements. As an administrator in a charter high school, Michael was an integral member of the staff helping the school to achieve a "Performing Plus" label. Michael holds a Masters in Secondary Education and is a member of the ASCD.