

# Biography



## Sam Redding

SAM REDDING is Director of the Center on Innovation & Improvement (CII). A former high school teacher and college dean, since 1984 he has served as the Executive Director of the Academic Development Institute (ADI), and since 2005 he has also been director of the Center on Innovation & Improvement. He received the "Those Who Excel" Award from the Illinois State Board of Education in 1990 and the Ben Hubbard Leadership Award from Illinois State University in 1994. He has been executive editor of the School Community Journal since 1991 and was a senior research associate of the Laboratory for Student Success (LSS) at Temple University from 1995 to 2005. He has edited four books on family-school relationships, written a book on school improvement, edited a book on statewide systems of support, and written articles and chapters in the areas of school management, school improvement, and factors affecting school learning. Dr. Redding served on the IES expert panel on school turnarounds and co-authored its 2008 report: Turning Around Chronically Low-Performing Schools. Dr. Redding has consulted with more than 30 state education agencies on their systems for school improvement. He holds a doctorate in Educational Administration from Illinois State University, master's degrees in both Psychology and English, and is a graduate of Harvard's Institute for Educational Management.