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Hildebrand

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Hilderbrand has achieved something few others have accomplished: He has led five different types of urban schools with difficult learning environments to achieve significant improvements.

He has participated in three major reform efforts to turn around schools. Hilderbrand has directed educational programs in the City of Philadelphia's six major correctional facilities and also designed two high school models for the expelled student population. Hilderbrand's most notable accomplishment was the creation of a successful school model for incarcerated juveniles in the Philadelphia correctional facilities. His book, *Unlocking Potential: Organizing a School Inside a Prison*, examines urban education from a perspective that is grossly underrepresented in national debates, namely, incarcerated students.

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