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## **2013 Review Board**

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A distinguished group of the country's top educational leaders serves as the review board for The Broad Prize. Review board members examine performance indicators, demographic statistics and other information about the urban school districts that are eligible for The Broad Prize. Based on their examination, the review board narrows the list of 75 eligible school districts to the four finalists.

**Elisa Villanueva Beard**  
**Co-Chief Executive Officer,**  
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Elisa Villanueva Beard is co-chief executive officer at Teach For America. Previously, Villanueva Beard was executive director of the Rio Grande Valley site and later senior vice president of regional operations and chief operating officer. Villanueva Beard also taught bilingual first and second grade in Phoenix for three years as a 1998 Teach For America corps member.

**Anne L. Bryant**  
**Former Executive Director,**  
**National School Boards Association**

Anne L. Bryant is the former executive director of the National School Boards Association, a national federation of state school board associations. Bryant also is on the board of directors of Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) and was the Association Trends Executive of the Year in 2005.

**Christopher Cross**  
**Chairman, Cross & Joftus**  
**Former U.S. Assistant**  
**Secretary of Education**

Christopher Cross formed Cross & Joftus, LLC in 2004 to provide education leaders with personalized and expert assistance in policy analysis and development, evaluation, executive coaching,

planning and communication strategies. Cross is a former senior fellow with the Center on Education Policy and with the Education Commission of the States. Previously, he served as president and CEO of the Council for Basic Education and as an assistant secretary of education under President George H.W. Bush.

**Dan Goldhaber**  
**Director,**  
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Dan Goldhaber is a research professor at the University of Washington Bothell's Center on Reinventing Public Education, an affiliated scholar at the Urban Institute's Education Policy Center and a senior non-resident fellow at Education Sector. He also serves as the principal investigator of the Washington team for the Center for Analysis of Longitudinal Data in Education Research (CALDER). Goldhaber previously was an elected member of the Alexandria, Va. City School Board from 1997-2002.

**Jane Hannaway**  
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Jane Hannaway is vice president of the American Institutes for Research in Washington, D.C. and

director of the Center for Analysis of Longitudinal Data in Education Research (CALDER), which focuses on analyses of state longitudinal student- and teacher-level administrative databases, particularly analyses associated with teacher labor markets. Hannaway previously served as founding director of the Education Policy Center at the Urban Institute and on the faculty of Columbia, Princeton and Stanford universities.

**Eric Hanushek**  
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Eric "Rick" Hanushek is the Paul and Jean Hanna senior fellow at the Hoover Institution of Stanford University. Hanushek is also chairman of the executive committee for the Texas Schools Project at the University of Texas at Dallas, a research associate of the National Bureau of Economic Research, and a board member of the National Board for Education Sciences.

**Karen Hawley Miles**  
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Karen Hawley Miles is the president and executive director of Education Resource Strategies, specializing in strategic planning, organization and resource allocation in urban public school districts. She has taught school leaders at Harvard University, in school districts, with New Leaders for New Schools, and with The Broad Institute for School Boards. Previously, she was a strategy and management consultant for hospitals and corporations at Bain & Company.

**Frederick Hess**  
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Frederick Hess is director of education policy studies at the American Enterprise Institute and author of several books on schooling and education reform. Hess is also executive editor of the journal *Education Next* and a faculty member at institutions including the University of Pennsylvania and Rice University.

**Alexander "Sandy" Kress**  
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Alexander "Sandy" Kress is an attorney at Akin Gump Strauss Hauer Feld & LLP in Austin, Texas, focusing on public law and policy at the state and national levels. He formerly served as an education advisor to President George W. Bush. Prior to that, he served as president of the board of trustees of the Dallas Independent School District.

**Patricia W. Levesque**  
**Chief Executive Officer,**  
**Foundation for Excellence in Education**  
**Executive Director,**  
**Foundation for Florida's Future**

Patricia Levesque is the chief executive officer of the Foundation for Excellence in Education and executive director of the Foundation for Florida's Future, non-profit public policy organizations founded by former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush to improve the quality of education in Florida and across the nation for all students. Prior to that, Levesque was Gov. Bush's deputy chief of staff for education, general government services, business and professional regulation, elder affairs, veteran's affairs, workforce, lottery and juvenile justice.

**Deborah McGriff**  
**Partner, NewSchools Venture Fund**

Deborah McGriff is a partner at NewSchools Venture Fund. Prior to that, she held numerous positions at EdisonLearning, including president of Edison Teachers College, executive vice president of charter schools, and executive vice president of several external relations functions. McGriff was also the first female general superintendent of Detroit Public Schools, the first female assistant superintendent in Cambridge, Mass., and the first female deputy superintendent in Milwaukee. She is the former president of the Education Industry Association, the leading professional association of education service providers, and was a teacher and administrator in the New York City public schools for more than a decade.

**Thomas W. Payzant**  
**Senior Lecturer,**  
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**Former Superintendent,**  
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Thomas W. Payzant is a senior lecturer on education at the Harvard Graduate School of Education and an advisor to and superintendent-in-residence of The Broad Superintendents Academy. From 1995 to 2006, he served as superintendent of Boston Public Schools, which won the 2006 Broad Prize after being a finalist for four years. Before Boston, Payzant served as superintendent of the San Diego Unified School District for 11 years, as superintendent of Oklahoma City Public Schools for three years and as superintendent of Eugene Public Schools in Oregon for five years. In addition, Payzant served as President Bill Clinton's assistant secretary for elementary and secondary education from 1993 to 1995.

**Delia Pompa**  
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Delia Pompa is senior vice president of the National Council of La Raza, the largest national Latino civil rights and advocacy organization in the United States. Pompa oversees NCLR programs, including Housing and Community Development, Education, Institute for Hispanic Health and Workforce Development. She also serves on a variety of national boards and advisory committees.

**Margot Rogers**  
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Margot Rogers is vice chairman and senior advisor at The Parthenon Group's Education Center of Excellence. Prior to joining Parthenon, she was chief of staff to U.S. Secretary of Education Arne Duncan. Rogers also has served in multiple roles at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, including deputy director of education and the special assistant to the director of education, where she managed the development of the foundation's college-ready education strategy and staff realignment.

**Andrew Rotherham**  
**Co-Founder and Partner,**  
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Andrew Rotherham is co-founder and partner of Bellwether Education, offering specialized professional services and thought leadership to the entrepreneurial education reform field. Rotherham previously served as special assistant to the president for domestic policy during the Clinton Administration and on the state board of education in Virginia. He writes the blog Eduwonk.com.

**John Simpson**  
**Education Consultant,**  
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**Former Superintendent,**  
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John Simpson is an education consultant and serves as advisor and superintendent-in-residence to The Broad Superintendents Academy and as an associate with Hazard, Young and Attea, LLC. Previously, he was senior executive and director of the District Alliance Program at the Stupski Foundation. From 1998 to 2004, Simpson served as superintendent of Norfolk Public Schools, Va., which won the 2005 Broad Prize. He previously served as superintendent of Ann Arbor Public Schools in Michigan and of North Chicago Community Unit, District 187. Simpson was also president of the Large City School Superintendents and the Horace Mann League. He serves on the board of visitors of Eastern Virginia Medical College, the accountability review council for the Recovery School District for the Louisiana Department of Education and the board of directors for The New Teacher Project.

**Gene Wilhoit**  
**Partner, Student Achievement Partners**

Gene Wilhoit is partner at Student Achievement Partners, where he works closely with chief state school officers, urban superintendents, national teacher unions, foundations and business leaders to help teachers implement the Common Core. Previously, he was executive director of the Council of Chief State School Officers and led two state education agencies, as director of the Arkansas Department of Education and as deputy

commissioner and commissioner of the Kentucky Department of Education. He also served as a program director in the Indiana Department of Education, as an administrator in Kanawha County, W.Va., and as a special assistant in the U.S. Department of Education before assuming the position of executive director of the National Association of State Boards of Education, which he held from 1986 to 1993. Wilhoit began his career as a social studies teacher in Ohio and Indiana.