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Susan Fuhrman is past-president of Teachers College, Columbia University, founding director of the Consortium for Policy Research in Education ([CPRE](#)), and past-president of the National Academy of Education. Her work focuses on enhancing the quality of education research, accountability in education, intergovernmental relationships, and standards-based reform, and she has written widely on education policy and finance. Dr. Fuhrman's substantial leadership

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track record includes her term as dean of the University of Pennsylvania's Graduate School of Education from 1995-2006, where she was also the school's George and Diane Weiss professor of education. Dr. Fuhrman serves on the board of directors of the Hawn Foundation and the Advisory Board of Camino Education and is a member of the board of governors of the Pardee RAND Graduate School and the American College of Greece. She is a former vice president of the American Educational Research Association as well as a former trustee board member of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. She served as a non-executive director of Pearson PLC, the international education and publishing company from 2004-2013. Dr. Fuhrman received a Ph.D. in political science and education from Teachers College and Columbia University.

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