

# Irvin Scott



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Irvin Scott, Deputy Director for effective teaching in the College Ready strategy of its education division within its United States Program of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, focuses on the foundation's work in Intensive Partnership Sites and Accelerated Partnership Sites, a cluster of communities with significant investments focused on transforming how teachers are recruited, developed, retained and rewarded.

Scott also leads a portfolio of work focused on supporting teachers and ensuring their voices inform the education reform dialogue. Research has shown that effective teachers are the single most important factor in a student's success. Scott was formerly Chief Academic Officer of Boston Public Schools, where he has earned a national reputation for his leadership in significantly improving student outcomes in Boston, especially among low-income students and students of color.

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