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Dr. Robin Avelar La Salle is co-founder and CEO of Orenda Education a professional education and technical assistance organization. For more than 20 years, Dr. Avelar La Salle and the Orenda team have been thought partners for districts and schools aspiring to transform their systems and practices to raise student achievement.

An equity warrior and an advocate for justice within the educational system, Dr. Avelar La Salle's mission is to change the odds for the two million California kids for whom the current systems of instruction and improvement are not working -- predominantly Latino, African American, and students from under-resourced families.

She received her Ph.D. in Education from Stanford University, and during her career has held the roles of teacher, principal, district administrator, researcher, and university professor. She is the author of many articles on education equity and several books, including her newest work ***Shattering Inequities: Real World Wisdom for School and District Leaders***, written in partnership with Dr. Ruth S. Johnson.