



NOVA PLAYWORKS PROPOSAL

2021-22 SCHOOL YEAR



Nova Classical Academy/Playworks SY21-22

Desired Program Components

- Recess Monitor Training and Consultation
- Community Learning Time (CLT)
 - *Rebuilding community in the classroom and at school is a top priority for Nova after a difficult year.*
- Jr. Coach Program
- Consult Visits and Feedback over the course of the year

Partnership Outcomes

- **Lay a foundation for classroom community building that the teachers can work with over the course of the school year and beyond**
 - Achieved through community learning time lessons and/or consultative play days over the course of the school year and the Keep Playing game of the week digital subscription
- **Receive consistent feedback on the status of recess over the course of the school year**
 - Achieved through multiple Great Recess Framework observations, action planning meetings and consultative visits
- **Get a Junior Coach program started and running with support over the course of the year**
 - Playworks assists in starting the Junior Coach program in partnership with a Junior Coach lead staff at Nova

Nova has partnered with Playworks to facilitate community building in the classroom as well as conflict resolution, inclusive games, and fun activities at recess for the 18-19 and 19-20 school years. Nova's plan for 20-21 was to do a "reboot" option to maintain what had already been built as opposed to a full TeamUp program. Due to the pandemic, the 19-20 school year programming was cut short and we did not implement Playworks programming during the 20-21 school year.

Partnering with Playworks again for a full program for the 21-22 school year will help with:

- **Community Building:** It will be extremely important to rebuild the school and classroom community during the upcoming school year. Many of our students have not been in school for over a year and a half. Helping them (and others) get reacclimated with school and their peers will be of utmost importance, as we all learn how to be together again. Community Learning Time provides one classroom visit a month, where students and teachers learn various games, activities, and strategies to facilitate play between students.
- **Staff Training:** With new LS teachers and EAs, staff training as a part of the program will be needed. Playworks partnership will ensure that all school staff are familiar with the program and have common language as well as well-prepared resources to use in the classroom as well as at recess.
- **Junior Coach program:** Playworks includes a student leadership program, empowering 4th and 5th grade students to assist at recess with younger students. The Junior Coach program is fully run by the Playworks Site Coordinator. Over the years, this has proven to be a beneficial experience for Junior Coaches, recess teachers, and the younger students.

Proposed Partnership Options

TeamUp

Dedicated Playworks Site Coordinator is on-site for a full day every week of the school year.

Site Coordinator meets with every teacher for CLT once every month.

Site Coordinator starts and runs the Junior Coach program with an optional Nova JC program lead.

Recess consultation every week, additional trainings included throughout the year.

Keep Playing included.

Cost: ~~\$26,000~~ — \$22,000

Reboot

Playworks Trainer spends 4 consecutive days on-site at Nova in September/October and facilitates a CLT with each class, recess consultation and helps start a JC program.

One follow up visit scheduled in the winter/spring helps ensure sustainability

Cost: \$10,500

Consultative Visits (CVs)

CVs includes recess observation and consultation, a few CLT lessons, and action planning meetings.

CVs can also have a specific focus (ex. Community Building in Classroom).

Half day or full day visits can be scheduled.

Cost: \$2,500 (quantity discount available)

Program Components Matrix

Program	On-Site Days	CLT Lessons	Recess Support	August Summer Institute Seats	Junior Coach Program	Keep Playing Digital Service	Cost
TeamUp	35+	35 Days	35 Days	4 Seats	Led by Playworks	Yes	\$22,000 \$26,000
Reboot	4.5	4 Days	4.5 days	No	Assists with Launch	Yes	\$10,500 + the cost of added CVs
Consultative Visits (CV)	1-18	Approx. 4 lessons total on each CV day	Each CV day as scheduled	No	No	No	\$2,500 - \$1,000 per CV

Proposed Option for 21-22:



TeamUp

TeamUp Partnership

- Nova has access to a dedicated and experienced Playworks Site Coordinator for the school year. The TeamUp model was implemented at Nova during the 17/18 and 18/19 school years. More info on TeamUp [HERE](#)
- Weekly on-site days (35+ total) include modeling and PD for recess monitors, weekly CLT lessons (one per month per teacher), recess support, facilitation of a student leadership program, and additional PD throughout the school year
- TeamUp is Playworks' premier partnership option with everything included.

Pros and Cons

- + Best value of the three options
- + Consistency of the weekly visits is great for action planning with staff and for the students to connect with the Playworks Site Coordinator
- + Scheduling CLTs and visits are clear from the start for teachers and less communication is required from admin.
- + Playworks launches and supports the JC program all year
- + Additional PD can be added throughout the year in the form of recess team trainings and meetings
- + Keep Playing digital service is included for all staff
- + 4 Seats at the August summer institute are included
- Total cost is higher than the other options

Total Cost: \$22,000 (reduced rate due to missing March–May 2020 and continued partnership)

NOTE: Nova's participation in the full TeamUp partnership is dependent on Board approval as well as Playworks' ability to have enough schools to form a 4-school "pod" for staffing purposes, as well as staffing itself. If the TeamUp model is approved, but Playworks is not able to provide that option to Nova, we will move forward with the Recess Reboot option along with some consultative visits, not to exceed \$22,000.

Other resources/information about Playworks:

<https://www.playworks.org/>

<https://www.playworks.org/impact/>

<https://www.playworks.org/news/rand-review-playworks-essa-sel-evidence/>

Thank you for your consideration.