

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
NOVI COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
NOVI, MICHIGAN**
January 22, 2026

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

TOPIC: Recognizing the month of January 2026 as National Local School Board Month

Whereas, Michigan is home to more than 600 locally elected school boards of education that work to enrich the lives of Michigan's students through education and directly influence instruction in Michigan's public schools; and,

Whereas, Article VIII, Section 2 of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 states that providing for the education of Michigan's children is a fundamental duty of state government; and,

Whereas, local school board members represent their community to ensure that educational opportunities are provided to the children and young adults in their community that will advance student achievement in the schools and communities in which they serve; and,

Whereas, during this month, we join with the Michigan Association of School Boards, Michigan Department of Education, local school districts, and community organizations to recognize and raise awareness of the countless efforts and contributions of local school boards and school board members throughout Michigan;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that we, the Novi Community School District, do hereby proclaim the month of January 2026 as Local School Board Month; and honor the contribution of Novi Community School District school board members:

- a) Danielle Ruskin
- b) Besty Beaudoin
- c) Paul Cook
- d) Jamie Kliebert
- e) Jason Michener
- f) Mary Ann Roney
- g) Willy Mena

**APPROVED AND RECOMMENDED
FOR BOARD ACTION**



Benjamin Mainka, Superintendent