2025 Nova Classical Board of Directors Election Parent Seat – Lisa Gomez

My name is Lisa Gomez, and I have been a Nova parent since my son started kindergarten in 2017. From 2017-2019, I was actively involved as a classroom parent and Great Gatherings Nova volunteer. My participation as a Nova volunteer came to a halt when the pandemic started and volunteer opportunities were limited. Between 2020-2024, my professional volunteerism increased as I became more involved as both a Human Resources and union representative at Saint Paul Public Schools.

In addition to my volunteer work with Nova Classical Academy, I have had extensive volunteer experience in a variety of educational settings over the last 20 years:

- Parent representative on the Mahube Head Start policy council, 2003-2004
- Student Senate Representative at Minnesota State Community and Technical College, 2004-2005
- Roosevelt Elementary classroom volunteer, 2003-2007
- Valley View Middle School PTO member, 2012-2013
- Kennedy High School parent volunteer, 2014-2018
- Saint Paul Public Schools LMC representative, 2020-2024
- Saint Paul Public Schools CCEA contract negotiations committee member, 2023
- Saint Paul Public Schools CCEA Delegate Assembly delegate, 2023

I worked at Saint Paul Public Schools for five years, from 2019-2025, in their Human Resources department. As an administrative employee, I have extensive knowledge of public school operations. I understand the intricacies behind the decision-making process and the complexities of implementing new policies and procedures while maintaining fiscal responsibility. With over eight years of experience in the field of Human Resources, my career has been dedicated to governance and legal compliance, while working to create a diverse and inclusive environment where every employee has been provided with the tools they need to thrive in the workplace. I would bring a similar level of commitment, dedication, and integrity to the Nova Classical Academy Board of Directors. If chosen for an interim parent seat for the 2025-2026 school year, it would be my intention to run for a vacant parent seat in 2026 for the full 3-year term.