

# Unity & Strength

## CECILY MYART-CRUZ FOR UTLA PRESIDENT

I took office at the beginning of the pandemic, and within my first year I helped get the strongest covid protections in the nation, a straight 5% raise and a bonus. I have been an active listener to members and made sure your voice is projected throughout the Union. Together, we have expanded the bargaining team and collectively deployed the Beyond Recovery platform. We have pushed at every level from the school site to the office of the superintendent. We will continue to build our work locally, statewide and nationally. I am running for re-election because we still have work to do and we will do it together. I urge you to vote for my entire Unity & Strength team: Georgia, Julie, Maria, Rosa, Jennifer and Denisha.



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President: **Cecily Myart-Cruz**

NEA VP: **Georgia Flowers Lee**

AFT VP: **Julie Van Winkle**

Elementary VP: **Maria Miranda**

Secondary VP: **Rosa Jimenez**

Secretary: **Jennifer McAfee**

Treasurer: **Denisha Jordan**

**Unity & Strength is a team of experienced educators. We are committed to building power at school sites, advocating for public education, fighting for racial and social justice, and promoting educator support and wellbeing (including livable wages, increased benefits, and curriculum autonomy). The fight to make our schools better places for educators, students, and community will take ALL OF US. That is why we are asking you to vote for the ENTIRE Unity & Strength team in February.**



**DENISHA JORDAN**  
for Treasurer



**ROSA JIMENEZ**  
for Secondary VP

### WHY DENISHA AND ROSA?

Denisha and Rosa are running against familiar faces. A lot has changed at our schools since the last officer team was elected. The pandemic changed day-to-day life at our schools, and Denisha and Rosa contribute hard-won experience that is crucial to our new UTLA leadership team. They have first-hand recent school site experience. Denisha and Rosa are long-time UTLA activists and teacher-leaders within Reclaim Our Schools LA. They led their schools and areas through the darkest days of the pandemic. Denisha has been a Steering Committee member and is involved in HOR, PACE and affiliate work. Rosa has led on the development of Community Schools in LAUSD and is the North Area Chair. Both of them will be ready to lead on Day One, and they understand the importance of working together as a team. UTLA needs an officer team that will work collaboratively and support one another, and Denisha and Rosa are the leaders we need.