

Lake View High School

### CANDIDATE STATEMENT

My name is Robert Palmer, I am currently a Special Education Classroom Assistant 2. This is my 12<sup>th</sup> year at CPS. I am running for the Non -Teacher Staff Representative for the Lake View High School LSC. Over the years, I have been an advocate for Diverse Learners, Students and Staff. My philosophy is that everyone should be treated with dignity and respect.

I am currently matriculating a Masters Degree in Elementary Education (two classes away), from National Louis University. I hold a Graduate Credential in Commercial Real Estate, as well as well a BPS Degree in Psychology from Roosevelt University. Also an Associates of Professional Studies from Kennedy-King College. I ask for your vote.

In the past, I have been a member of the CTU and now I am a member of SEIU. I am also an Illinois Managing Real Estate Broker/Owner, as well as member or the National, Illinois and Chicago Associations of Realtors. I'm also a Special Olympics Coach.

I was elected to the Ogden International School LSC as a Parent Representative, and served in 2010. I was elected President of the Keller Athletic Association (KAA) in 2012 at Keller Gifted School (CPS). There, my job was to Administrate and run the entire athletic program, most extra- curricular activities, and tournaments. I was the signatory, and during my administration there, I ran a diligent and solvent organization. I was also an Assistant Basketball Coach as Keller 7<sup>th</sup> Grade won 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Ridge Park League. (My Son's team).

Here at Lake View, I have been an Asst. Freshman and Sophomore Baseball Coach, helping to guide the Sophomores to a 2<sup>nd</sup> Place finish in the 2018 Chicago City Championship. I was briefly an Asst Football Coach in 2018. I hold a Substitute Teaching License.

I am a Father of 2 Children, a Cancer and Brain Surgery Survivor, Ran 6 Chicago Marathons.