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Martha is an Oak Cliff native, Dallas ISD alumna, and first-generation college graduate from the University of North Texas (UNT). She graduated from UNT with a Bachelor of Science with an emphasis in bilingual education in Early Childhood to 6th grade. She began her career by organizing and educating parent leaders in her community to help advocate for their students' postsecondary matriculation.

Throughout the past decade, Martha has worked alongside students, parents, teachers, school leaders, and elected officials to build relationships and coalitions that foster collaboration. While at Uplift Education, Martha built "Parent University," a program that enabled parents to embrace their power to enact change by being involved in their children's school and in their local government. Martha also brings an array of expertise in policy, having worked through a total of four legislative sessions in Dallas and Austin.



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