

**GRADE 11 PA NEWSLETTER  
OCTOBER 2009**

Dear Junior Parents:

What a great showing at the Jeffrey Wolfsberg event! Junior Class Dean, Beth McNamara, would appreciate any feedback.

Join us for an **11th Grade Parent Coffee** on **Thursday, October 22, 8:00 - 9:30 a.m.** in the Stonestreet Lounge, Nicholas Athletic Center. Beth McNamara will talk about what's coming up in Junior Year: history paper, junior profile, junior prom, etc. We hope to see you there. Thanks to Nancy Trautman and Anna De Souza for coordinating the parent coffees.

Every year, it is a BB&N Upper School tradition for the Parents' Association to coordinate several faculty appreciation breakfasts throughout the year. The faculty and staff enthusiastically look forward to this break in their routine. Each class is in charge of one breakfast. The date of the **Faculty Appreciation Breakfast** hosted by the 11<sup>th</sup> grade parents is quickly approaching. It will be held **Thursday, October 1**. Cheryl Cronin has graciously offered to chair the event.

Please click on this link for more details and to sign up for your contribution:  
<http://www.doodle.com/ru2itfy89bqhpgh8>

Thank you for generosity.

Please join us in welcoming the new 11<sup>th</sup> grade students and their families:  
Thomas Balanda, Dorothea Bamfo, Eric Bertino and Robert Pease.

We invite your questions and comments and look forward to working with you.

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## **Upper School PA Newsletter**

**October 2009**

Dear Upper School Parents:

The school year is off to a great start and the USPA is no exception! We just co-hosted with the Upper School our first meeting, 'Meet the Deans and Transitions and New Beginnings'. Each Upper School Dean spoke on their respective areas, highlighting upcoming events and expectations for the year. Then, Upper School Director Jack Knapp spoke, customizing Dr. Richard Light's ten tips for the successful student in the BB&N environment. Head of School Rebecca T. Upham closed the evening praising the work of Dr. Knapp after he announced his retirement at the end of this school year. The room was overflowing with parents and was a great kick-off to the myriad events we have scheduled this year.

Sincerely,

Lisa Aulet, Tammy McLeod, Maureen DiChiara, and Kasey Kaufman  
Your USPA Leadership Team

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**Next USPA Event: Thursday, October 22nd at 7pm**

**"Checking the Box: Changes to the Common App & How Your Child's Risky Behavior Might Affect the College Process"**

Dr. John Knight, the Director of the Center for Adolescent Substance Abuse Research (CeASAR) at Children's Hospital will talk about "Why Smart Kids Make Risky Choices: How Parents can Protect Your Teen's Life and Future". Please plan on joining us for another terrific evening.

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## **Volunteer Opportunities:**

Calling all volunteers for **One School-One World**.

This fabulous multicultural event, linking all three campuses will be held Saturday, November 14th at the Upper School from 11am-2pm. If you missed the first one, held in November 2007, it was a wild, colorful, exciting day, with hundreds coming together to be part of our extraordinary and diverse BB&N community. For this event, we need volunteers to do the following:

- One (or two) parent/s to work with Upper School Art Department exhibit
- Parents to organize Upper School food station
- A parent to help identify student performance pieces for Upper School center stage (we need three performances per campus).
- To encourage and identify parents who wish to have a cultural table at the event. (Examples: we had a Japan table, an India table, and a Mideastern table headed by parents. They had maps, photos, music, food, crafts.)

Please email Kate O'Kelly at [klokld@yahoo.com](mailto:klokld@yahoo.com) if you can volunteer. Thanks.

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## **Upcoming Events**

10/22 (Thur) USPA Event:  
Risky Behavior and the College Process

11/12 (Thur) USPA Event:  
State of the Upper School: How far we've come and where we are going

11/14 (Sat.)  
One School-One World

Please see our website for more details