



**BUCKINGHAM
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Board of Trustees

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Dear Members of the BB&N Community,

We are excited to announce the selection of Dr. Jennifer Price to serve as Buckingham Browne & Nichols' fourth Head of School, starting in the 2018-2019 school year.

The Board of Trustees voted unanimously for Dr. Price's appointment, following an extensive, eight-month search process led by our Selection Committee, which included members from our trustee, faculty, alumni/ae, and parent communities. She will succeed Rebecca Upham in July 2018, following the conclusion of Rebecca's remarkable 17-year tenure as Head at the end of this academic year.

We are delighted to welcome Jen to the BB&N community, and to have this dynamic leader join us to guide the next generation of excellence at BB&N, building on the legacy of Rebecca's superb leadership.

Everyone who met Jen during our search process was struck by her collaborative nature, her strategic expertise, her charisma, and her passion for fostering environments where students and teachers can thrive. What comes through right away is her terrific energy and the sheer sense of joy that she instills into the enterprise of teaching and learning. Moreover, she is able to merge that compassionate human touch with a data-driven, strategic leadership philosophy—a combination that has made an outstanding impact on every school and system she has been involved with during her 23-year career in education.

Jen's journey spans an impressive range of teaching and leadership roles. Since 2015, she has served as Superintendent of North Andover Public Schools, overseeing a system comprised of eight schools and 4,800 students. She has led her district through an extensive strategic planning process, focusing on student inclusion, professional development, and implementation of a consistent, rigorous curriculum.

Prior to her Superintendent post, Jen was principal for nine years at Newton North High School, where she was acclaimed for leading the 2,000-student high school through its transition to a new, 198-million-dollar facility. Colleagues and families praised her pioneering mindset, which guided the implementation of an innovation laboratory, professional learning communities, a black and Latino scholars' program, and a first-generation college mentoring program. From 1999 to 2003, Jen was a housemaster at Lincoln-Sudbury High School, where she served as headmaster for one quarter of the school. In the late 1990s, she taught history and coached softball and field hockey at Maynard High School, where she was named Teacher of the Year two consecutive years.

Jen co-authored with Dr. Daniel Koretz the chapter, “Building Assessment Literacy” in *Data Wise: A Step-by-Step Guide to Using Assessment Results to Improve Teaching and Learning* (Harvard Educational Press, 2005). She also presents each year on the Data Wise process at its summer institute, as well as the Reflecting on Leadership, Administration, and Governance course at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

After earning her bachelor’s degree in public policy from Princeton University, where she was also a starter on the field hockey team, Jen received her master’s in educational administration from Boston College and a doctorate of education from Harvard University.

“I am honored and humbled to be named the next Head of BB&N,” says Jen. “I understand that I join a long tradition of ‘promoting scholarship, integrity, and kindness in diverse, curious, and motivated students.’ I take the responsibility of leading this vibrant and caring community extremely seriously, as we work together to educate the future leaders our world so desperately needs.

“It impressed me how everyone I met during the search process talked so passionately about the impact BB&N has had, and continues to have, on them and their families. It was clear that BB&N is a special place where students not only have access to excellent education, but are also encouraged to engage thoughtfully in the greater community. I’m ecstatic to have joined BB&N this year as a parent, and cannot wait to do so next summer as Head of School.”

Jen and her wife, Katya Salkever, live in Newton, Mass., and have two children: Charlie, a sophomore at Newton North High School, and Elsie, a seventh grader at BB&N Middle School.

This morning, we enjoyed the great pleasure of introducing Jen to our students and faculty. It was terrific to see such a buzz in the air around the School’s three campuses.

Please join us in welcoming Jen and her family to BB&N. Our community will have much to celebrate in the year ahead, as we salute both Rebecca’s marvelous accomplishments at the School and the start of a wonderful partnership with Jen.

Sincerely,



Bruce H. Young Jr.
Chair, BB&N Board of Trustees



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