FORM 3

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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Ketz Devid Mertin	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 02/02/2009		3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol UNIFIRST CORP [UNF]				
(Last) (First) (Middle)			4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) (Check all applicable) Director 10% X Officer (give title Oth below) below VP Sales and Marketing		(Moi	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	
68 JONSPIN ROAD (Street) WILMINGTON MA 01887 (City) (State) (Zip)					cify 6. Ir	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned							
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)			Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)			Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership Instr. 5)	
No securities owned			0	D			
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)							
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Title and Amount of Securiti Underlying Derivative Security		4. Conversion or	Form:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Common stock option (right to buy)	02/02/2014	02/02/2019	Common stock/\$0.10 par value	2,000	27.1	D	

Explanation of Responses:

/s/ David Whitman, Attorneyin-Fact 04/06/2009

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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