## FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person <sup>®</sup> BARTLETT JOHN B						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol UNIFIRST CORP [ UNF ]										5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner				
(Last) 68 JONS	(Last) (First) (Middle) 68 JONSPIN ROAD					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 10/25/2004										below		Other (specify below) P and CFO		pecify
(Street) WILMINGTON MA 01887 (City) (State) (Zip)						4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)									Line	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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																				
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Transact Date (Month/Day					Execution Date,			Code (Instr.			4. Securities Acquired Disposed Of (D) (Instr. and 5)			Securiti Benefic Owned	ies Fo cially (D) Ind		n: Direct	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Co	Code V		Amour		(A) or (D)	Price	Followi Reporte Transac (Instr. 3	ed ction(s)		str. 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)																				
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		if any		4. Transacti Code (Ins 8)		5. Numbo of Deriva Securi Acqui (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instr. 4 and	ative ities red sed 3,	6. Date Exercisable ar Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				d 7. Title and Amc of Securities Underlying Derivative Secur (Instr. 3 and 4)		curity	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	ly	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
		c		Code			Date Exerc	cisable	Expi Date	ration Title		o N of	umber							
Common stock option (right to buy)	\$27.98	10/25/2004			A		1,400		10/25	5/2009	10/2	25/2014	Comr stock/\$ par va	50.10 1	,400	\$0	1,400		D	

Explanation of Responses:

## John Bartlett, by power of 10

attorney

10/27/2004

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

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

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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