FORM 4

## **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

| Name and Address of Reporting Person*     CROATTI CYNTHIA        |  |   |          |                                    |                                  | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol UNIFIRST CORP [UNF] |   |                                       |                            |   |       |   |   |                           |             | S. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)     X Director X 10% Owner                      |  |   |  |                         |  |  |
|--|--|---|----------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|---|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---|-------|---|---|---------------------------|-------------|---|--|---|--|-------------------------|--|--|
| (Last)<br>68 JONSP   | `  | ,   | (Middle) |                                    |                                  | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 09/23/2005     |   |                                       |                            |   |       |   |   |                           | X           | belov   | er (give title<br>v)<br>xecutive V                                   | Р&  | below)   |                         |  |  |
| (Street) WILMINGTON MA 01887 (City) (State) (Zip)                |  |   |          |                                    |                                  | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)        |   |                                       |                            |   |       |   |   |                           | . Indivine) | Form filed by More than 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. Transaction Date (Month/Day/ |  |   |          |                                    | Execution Date,                  |   |   | 3.<br>Transact<br>Code (In<br>8)      |                            | 4. Securities Acquired (<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3<br>and 5) |       |   |   | 3, 4 Secu<br>Bene<br>Owne |             | cially<br>I   | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct<br>(D) or<br>Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) |   | 7. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4)  |                         |  |  |
|  |  |   |          |                                    |                                  | Code  | v   | Amount (A) o                          |                            |   | Price | , | Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction(s)<br>(Instr. 3 and 4) |                           | (1130. 4)   |   | (111501. 4)  |   |  |                         |  |  |
| Common S   |  |   |          |                                    |                                  |   |   |                                       |                            |   |       |   | 2,740   |                           | I           | By<br>401(k)  |  |   |  |                         |  |  |
| Common Stock 09/23/20  |  |   |          |                                    |                                  | )05   |   |                                       | S                          |   | 800   |   | D   | \$34.84                   |             | 188,034   |  |   | <b>I</b> (1)   | By<br>Trusts<br>and LLC |  |  |
| Common S   |  |   |          |                                    |                                  |   |   |                                       |                            | 31,500  |       |   | D   |                           |             |   |  |   |  |                         |  |  |
|  | Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities) |   |          |                                    |                                  |   |   |                                       |                            |   |       |   |   |                           |             |   |  |   |  |                         |  |  |
| Derivative<br>Security<br>(Instr. 3)                             | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security  | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year | if any   | eemed<br>tion Date,<br>h/Day/Year) | 4.<br>Transaci<br>Code (In<br>8) |   | 5. Nu of Deriv Secui Acqu (A) or Dispo of (D) (Instrand 5 | rities<br>ired<br>r<br>osed<br>. 3, 4 | 6. Date Expiratio (Month/D | n Da  |       |   | ount  | nt<br>er                  |             | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported<br>Transaction<br>(Instr. 4) | , [C   | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |                         |  |  |

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The reporting person is a trustee of the Marie Croatti QTIP Trust and a Director and minority owner of the general partner of The Croatti Family Limited Partnership, which are the direct owners of 2,600,000 shares and 2,483,750 shares of Class B Common Stock, respectively. The reporting person is the manager of a limited liability company, Trilogy Investment Partners LLC, and a trustee for the following trusts, that, as of the date of filing this report, combined directly own the remainder of the reported securities: The Samuel E. Brown Gallo Trust - 1989, The Nicholas C. Brown Gallo Trust - 1989 and the Lisa Levenstein Gallo Trust - 1989. The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the reported securities, except to the extent of her pecuniary interest therein, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 or any other

Cynthia Croatti, by power of attorney

09/27/2005

\*\* 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).
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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