

CROATTI CYNTHIA  
Form 4  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \*  
CROATTI CYNTHIA

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
UNIFIRST CORP [UNF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
68 JONSPIN ROAD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
10/25/2011

Director  10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below)  Other (specify below)  
Executive VP and Treasurer

(Street)  
WILMINGTON, MA 01887

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned**

| 1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |     |       |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|-----|-------|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | (A) or (D)  | Code  | V  | Amount  | (D) | Price |

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

| 1. Title of Derivative Security | 2. Conversion or Exercise | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any | 4. Transaction Code | 5. Number of Derivative Securities | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|
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| (Instr. 3)                              | Price of Derivative Security | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8) | Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | Code | V | (A) | (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title                           | Amount or Number of Shares |
|---|------------------------------|------------------|------------|--|------|---|-----|-----|------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Stock Appreciation Right <sup>(1)</sup> | \$ 49.67                     | 10/25/2011       | A          | 12,000   |      |   |     |     | 10/25/2016       | 10/25/2021      | Common stock (\$0.10 par value) | 12,000                     |

### Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address                             | Relationships |           |                            |  | Other |
|--|---------------|-----------|----------------------------|--|-------|
|  | Director      | 10% Owner | Officer                    |  |       |
| CROATTI CYNTHIA<br>68 JONSPIN ROAD<br>WILMINGTON, MA 01887 | X             | X         | Executive VP and Treasurer |  |       |

### Signatures

/s/ David Whitman,  
Attorney-in-Fact  
11/14/2011

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Reporting Person

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

### Explanation of Responses:

- \* 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).
- (1) This stock appreciation right becomes fully vested and exercisable on the fifth anniversary of the grant date (10/25/2016) and must be settled in stock at the time of exercise.

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