



UNH CEO Forum To Highlight Berwick Academy Oct. 15

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DURHAM, N.H. –The history of Berwick Academy, Maine’s oldest educational institution, and innovation in education around the country will be the focus of the next University of New Hampshire CEO Forum Thursday, Oct. 15, 2009, at the New England Center.

The event begins at 8 a.m. with coffee and networking, with breakfast to follow at 8:30 a.m. The program begins at 9 a.m.

The forum will feature Greg Schneider, headmaster at Berwick Academy. The school was incorporated in 1791 by the Massachusetts Legislature and with a charter signed by Governor John Hancock established to teach languages, liberal arts and sciences. For more than 200 years the academy has pursued its mission through a classical education of the whole person. Until the 1950s, the town of South Berwick contracted with the school to educate local students. In 1955, the Board of Trustees reverted to a completely private status with an exclusive college preparatory program and today serves grades K-12 with a total enrollment of 550 students.

Schneider’s talk will focus on innovation in education not just at Berwick but around the country. What are the opportunities and obstacles in this changing culture? What are the leadership challenges he and other educators are facing as they prepare students for jobs of the future? What will those jobs be 10 years from now? How does education need to change?

Prior to moving to Maine, Schneider worked for seven years at Rye Country Day School in Rye, New York, as assistant head for external affairs, director of admissions and financial aid, an English teacher and head football coach. A native of Needham, Mass., Schneider is a graduate of Amherst College and the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

The deadline to register for the forum is Monday, Oct. 12, 2009. To register for the forum or become a member of the UNH CEO Forum, call Barbara Draper at 603-862-1107, or e-mail her at barbara.draper@unh.edu. The event is free to members and \$49 for nonmembers.

Initiated in 1997, the UNH CEO Forum is an outreach program of the UNH Whittemore School of Business and Economics and the UNH Graduate School serving CEOs, presidents, and senior managers of companies in northern New England. The forum provides its members with opportunities to meet and exchange ideas with their peers in business and industry in an informal setting. The UNH CEO Forum is sponsored by the law firm of Pierce Atwood, Ocean Bank and Snowden Associates. For more information about the CEO Forum, visit <http://www.unh-ceoforum.org/>.

The University of New Hampshire, founded in 1866, is a world-class public research university with the feel of a New England liberal arts college. A land, sea and space-grant university, UNH is the state’s flagship public institution, enrolling more than 12,200 undergraduate and

2,200 graduate students.