



# The Argo

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## Prep Adds New Teachers For a Promising 1996-1997 School Year

As students prepare to head back to Prep, the faculty has gained many new faces to ensure the prosperity of the newly befallen school year. Six new teachers, three of whom are in the math department, join the Prep community this fall.

Many Juniors and Seniors may remember Serge Danielson-Francois of the Foreign Language Department. He assumes the responsibility of the language department chair person left vacant by Dr. Lange, upon her retirement last year. Since Mr. Danielson-Francois will teach mainly Lower and Middle School classes, few Upper School students will be taught by him. He claims that the exciting opportunities and the cohesive community of Prep drew him back from the West Coast.

Joining the English department is Ms. Jill Ables, who is strictly an Upper School teacher. Ms. Ables will instruct many Juniors and Seniors in elective classes. Having always had the desire to teach, Ms. Ables claims the Prep offers her an ideal opportunity to fulfill her dreams. In the winter, she will also be an assistant coach of the Varsity Girls' Volleyball Team.

Mr. William Sanford enters the Science Department as a biology teacher. Like Ms. Ables, Mr. Sanford is also a graduate of the University of Virginia with a B.A. in Biology. In addition to teaching, he is also certified by the Red Cross in First Aid, CPR,

and as a Water Safety Instructor. Furthermore, Mr. Sanford is also an American Canoeing Association Padding Instructor.

The Math Department underwent the most addition during the summer. Ms. Christine Mazzeo will teach Algebra I, pre-Calculus, Math IV, and AP Computers. Prep will be her first full time teaching job, although she has previously served as a teacher's aide. During this school year, Ms. Mazzeo plans to be involved with the drama and music programs. She hopes that this school year will provide her with the chance to get to know her students and develop a mutual respect with them.

Ms. Schwind will also join the math department this year. Ms. Schwind earned her Masters of Education from the Harvard Graduate School of Education, and also received a Bachelor of Arts from Drew University. Like Ms. Ables, she plans on helping the volleyball and softball teams. Moreover, Ms. Schwind would also like to see if there is interest in initiating a mock trial or debate team.

The third addition to the Math Department is Mr. Mark Gottlieb. He is a 1995 Temple University graduate with a M.A. in Philosophy. He received his B.S. in Mathematics from Villanova University in 1990. Currently, he is a doctoral candidate at Temple University.

The entire Prep community welcomes these new teachers and offers

them our best wishes for the current school year.

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Interested in journalism? The editors of the Argo are looking for people to write articles. If interested, see Mr. Richardson or Maureen Benitz.

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# Fall Teams Have High Goals For Upcoming Season

## Cross Country: '96 Preview

By Mark Markowski

Many new faces have already joined the team for early practices this season. Coaches Dougherty and Goldman are extremely excited about the upcoming season. The girls' team is the strongest it has been in years. Captain Liz Alexander will lead the team against many competitive schools. Junior Jackie Sienkiewicz and Debbie Gray will bring their experience into this year. Alexander and Lauren Peters, both decorated veterans, are already making strenuous efforts to get their teams into supreme physical condition. Although the team is only in their first weeks of practice, the girls' team is a serious favorite to win the Prep B State Championship.

Captain Scott Yelity is ready to win an individual state championship along with a team title. After coming off a second place individual finish last year, Yelity is hungry for the season to start. Both Simon Messing and Josh Rosen have been working hard all summer training for their senior season. All three are ready to finish out their career at Prep with a winning season. Dan Chelel and Jeremy Hollander, both Juniors, will have to play a serious supporting role this year. Plenty of freshmen are running this season, which makes Coach Dougherty excited about the prospects of this year and the future.

Coach Sanford is a new edition to the team this year. He will bring his experience as a runner at the University of Virginia to Prep. With the experienced coaches and dedicated

runners, the cross country team will be a force to be reckoned with this year.

### Girls' Soccer: Setting Their Sights On a Championship

By Catie Somers

Girls' Soccer is on the rise this year. The team has lost only two seniors from last year's roster. Seniors Linda Condon, Nicole Fiumefredo, Archana Kansagra, Daniella Metzger, and Catie Somers are confident that the team will improve on last year's 9-5-1 record. The girls' team is loaded with talent. Metzger was selected to the Prep B All Star team and also made the second team All State. Junior Priya Radhakrishna made the Prep B All Star team along with an honorable mention to the All State team. Priya is coming off a serious knee injury. When she is at full strength, Priya is brilliant in goal.

Returning for their Junior seasons are Whitney Case, Nicole Smith, and Charlene Daveport. Both the Juniors and the Seniors are going to have to heighten their level of play this season.

### Girls' Tennis: "On the Rise"

By Natalie Mantell

After coming off a 9-2 season last year, the team has lost five varsity players. The light at the end of the tunnel lies in the fact that there are fifteen Junior Varsity players returning. Along with the new freshmen, the team is not lacking in size, only experience.

Natalie Mantell and Heather Driver will have the majority of the leadership responsibility. Arti Patel had a successful previous season at the third singles position. Heather, after coming off a state championship at second doubles, will have to test her skills at singles.

Coaches Ackerman and Tidd are looking forward to working with this young team. Practice has been very difficult so far. Since the team is working very hard in the preseason, they are very confident about the upcoming season.

### Boys' Soccer: "Let's Get It On"

By Jason Maikos

The soccer team is very serious about the upcoming season. This year's captains, Frank Cesario, Evan Siegel, and Jason Maikos, have been working very hard during the summer in order to continue the successes of last year. Maikos and Siegel have really hit the weight room adding more muscle to the frame. Cesario worked on his ball handling and "field vision" to better work the ball around the field.

Henri Renard, Keith Forney, and Sam Schecter are also returning seniors, which will lend veteran stability to their respective positions. Conference renowned goalie, Alon Tabak, and Andy Schultz also hope to continue their superb play of last year.

Coach Szeles is ready to avenge last year's loss to PDS. The entire team hopes that the double sessions this summer and the most talented team Prep has seen in recent years will earn respect for the program.

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