Headmaster’s Intro
As an educator, I have always been fascinated by God's plan that when the student is fully trained, he will be like his teacher (Luke 6:40). It is a blessing when our alumni, and in this case, my son, come back to me to teach me something new. Recently, my son Thomas was our Alumni presenter at the Mission Celebration back in March. On that weekend, he introduced me to a book and a concept I had not studied enough, and was not aware how well positioned JRHS is to address a significant challenge in our culture, known as the “coming of age” crisis for Gens Y and Z, or more commonly, “Adulting”.

Thomas introduced me to Senator Ben Sasse's book, *The Vanishing American Adult: Our Coming-of-Age Crisis, and how to rebuild a Culture of Self-Reliance* (2017). As I studied his five themes, I marveled at how poised JRHS is to profoundly impact our students in the direction of the next “Greatest Generation”. As Headmaster of this fine institution, I will help us to both celebrate and improve in these essential areas. In my "Headmaster's Blog" (www.jrhs.org/headmaster-s-blog) I have outlined these themes and given examples of how we are meeting and exceeding them. Next year in the Parenting Partnership I look forward to exploring these themes more with our parents, those given primary responsibility to raise, train and develop the next generation.

Enjoy our newsletter! Mr. Jeff Philbrick, Headmaster
Agape Lunch

Agape is the Greek word for selfless, unconditional love. Jesus taught Agape love to his disciples, showing that in their service to one another, they would experience positive growth in their own lives.

At Jesse Remington High school, there is a tradition called the Agape Lunch. Agape Lunch has been held for nearly ten years, and normally takes place once per month. The mission of Agape Lunch is to bring new people who have a heart for Christ into this Christian community. Agape Lunch is a place where you can meet prospective families and share a meal over good fellowship. Senior Kristin Shi says, “I have seen my spiritual gift of serving used through the Agape Lunch and I have loved being able to see the food before my fellow students!” The peak of the Agape Lunch is the “Five-Minute Dessert Challenge”. As the name implies, we hear from a different speaker each time who challenges us by sharing their insights for the spiritual life while enjoying our dessert. Thus, you will not only obtain a delicious meal made by Mrs. Philbrick and students, but also hear from God's Word and enjoy fellowship with new families and current students.

Learn more about Agape Lunches at www.jrhs.org/agape-lunch.

Giving Update

Thank you for investing in the lives of our JRHS students!

Thank you to those who supported JRHS this fiscal year, which ends on June 30, 2019! To date, we have received gifts from 185 supporters totaling more than $112,000! These gifts have been used to further the mission in areas of Campus Development, Mission trips, Athletics, Scholarship giving and to our Annual Fund. The largest area of giving was to our Annual Fund, which is an investment in our programs and faculty. With about a month to go in this fiscal year, 119 gifts totaling $101,000 have been directed to the Annual Fund! These gifts are an investment in the lives of the students and help JRHS prepare them for life service in the Kingdom of God.
Spring Play: *The Secret Garden*

This year the school’s drama group performed *The Secret Garden* under the direction of Mrs. Arlene Marquis. The group worked hard to put on a wonderful performance. On a lovely weekend in May, the JRHS Community gathered in the historic Candia Church turned theater to enjoy a beautiful classic drama presentation. The cast grew in perseverance, time management, teamwork, and memorization skills. Junior Elissa Colombo notes, “We all learned to work hard but also find time for fun and encourage each other. I remember dying of laughter when Andrew first sang his ‘donkey song’ on stage and when I lost my wig during our ‘screaming scene’. These moments made drama such a fun and yet rewarding experience by the end.” It was obvious to see the unity within the cast as the time passed—something that had not been there at the start of the rehearsals. Many of the cast had to step out of their comfort zone, learn to encourage one another, and overcome various trials in order to perform this literary classic. The cast was incredibly grateful to their tech crew who spent hours getting their cues down, and adding a whole other element that the cast could simply not do on their own. Together everyone was able to use their various strengths to build each other up, and end the Spring play on a phenomenal note!
**JRHS Sentinels: Basketball Summary**

By Ellie Philbrick (‘19)

This 2018-19 basketball season provided a myriad of opportunities for growth within each team. The boys, under the leadership of Coach Langlois, were sad to see many valuable seniors leave, but they finished strong with 2nd place. Freshmen Camden Stockin says, "I learned the importance of perseverance through this experience, and I cannot wait to play with JR for many more years!" The girl's team was blessed to have the new addition of Anna Philbrick as their coach this year. With a new Coach, new players and veteran players, the team worked hard and went the entire season undefeated and placed 2nd in the championship. I saw every person work so hard at every practice, and we improved so much. I remember our first practice when we were all out of shape and dying of exhaustion, Coach Anna stated, "You guys will want this endurance and fitness training when we beat St. Maries!" This statement came to fruition when, for the first time in 6 years, our team beat St. Maries! This has certainly been a wonderful experience for my sister Melody and I as we have played together all four years of high school. I will miss the team ice cream parties, story times while doing plank circles, the crying over the times of loss, and laughing over the times of victory.

**Summer Capital Projects - Campus Safety and Communication**

Summer time at JRHS often brings about effort to upkeep and improve our campus. This summer, the volunteers (sign on today!) will be doing the usual rounds of painting, fixing, cleaning, and general repairs and maintenance. In addition to this regular work, we are praying in the funds to complete three important projects that would both make campus improvements, but would also address some of the findings in our May 2018 Accreditation review. First on this list is to replace the outdated underground data wire that runs from the main school building to the Communication Center classroom. This wire was buried in the early 2000’s, and we are praying the old conduit can be accessed and re-used. Secondly, in an effort to make JRHS more safe for all, we have acquired estimates for entrance surveillance cameras as well as a monitoring system in the office. Our responsibility is to run all the data wire, and then Acapella Technologies will do the installation. Lastly, and this is the one that we await grant funding at this time of writing, is to construct an exterior set of stairs on the side of the Remington Education Center which will offer easier and safer access to the school offices. May the Lord continue to provide all we need to operate our awesome campus!
Mission Trip Updates

By Melody Song & Kristin Shi ('19)

Through different kinds of ministries, our students were able to show their skills during the trip and bless many people.

This year Jesse Remington drove to Kensington, Philadelphia for the annual Mission Trip. We focused on children outreach, homeless ministry, evangelism, and construction projects. Through different kinds of ministries, our students were able to show their skills during the trip and bless many people. In the beginning of the trip, many of us were not ready spiritually to do the Lord's work in Kensington. However, as we focused less on ourselves and more on God, we were able to form a closer community, and grow closer to the Lord. Sophomore Austin Seo says, “I saw how the light of Christ could still be evident in such a struggling place.” Austin met a deaf man at the block party that our team hosted on Wednesday night, and saw how the this man could still praise God amidst struggle. Austin was amazed at this! Junior, Amanda Crawford, also says that God blessed their group in ways she could not have imagined. “I was really nervous going into the city because I hate the city, but I saw how God calmed my anxiety and I saw the city as just people who need help – not a scary place!” Whether in the evangelism team, construction crew, working at the farm, or doing children's ministry, each student saw this need and recognized how they can best bless these people through exemplifying Christ.

Outdoor Education

By Lucius Jacott ('19)

One of the most memorable experiences for a JRHS student is Outdoor Education. During the winter, many days were spent snow-shoeing, sledding at Derryfield Park, skating on the Philbrick pond, and having cookouts at “The Cabin”. This spring, there were many rainy days that Miss Wilderman led ‘puddle jumping walks’ and the rest of the students could perhaps do a nerf war or rock climbing. The year ended with a magnificent beach day to Odiorne Point, and a wild day of adventures at Chuckster's Adventure Park. This second semester has been filled with a myriad of adventures, all of which have shaped the students in various ways and given them a greater appreciation for God's Creation.
The BOD School Year 2018-19

Members of the JRHS Board of Directors include: Martha Bacon, Bob Colombo, Melanie DiBona, Bruce Dow, Jackie Lacy, Theresa Trombley and Ed Whitman. Also joining with us are Headmaster Jeff Philbrick and School Chaplain Steve Baker. Bob serves as our Secretary and Ed leads as Chairman. Together we see ourselves as a harmonious team working together for our Lord and this wonderful school creating leaders for Christ and His kingdom.

Our monthly meetings begin and end with a season of prayer for one another and our school. During our meeting we receive the monthly reports of the Headmaster and Business Manager Scott Shillaber and seek direction for the ongoing life of the school. We also give attention to: Policy review, goal setting, the annual Head of School evaluation, the Board of Director’s annual self assessment, five year strategic budget setting, the annual Mission Celebration, and long-range planning. We are currently working on creating a more specific working covenant with Candia Congregational Church.

Since 2015, we have participated in annual day-long training events for boards like ours at JRHS in order to better equip ourselves for our important task. Four times ASCI has provided very helpful teaching on the topics of Mission Directed Governance, Effective Governance, The State of Christian Schooling 1996-2016 and Re-imagine Education. This past year we had an in-house workshop day with Alan Graustein, of The Granite State Christian School Association. Each of these events has provided valuable take-aways for us. Currently at our monthly meetings, we are reading/discussing a book titled “The Board and the CEO”.

The Board began this work year with special gratitude for God’s smile upon JRHS. After three years of preparation, we received official word from New England Schools and Colleges that we were fully accredited. At the summer Faculty, Staff and Board Retreat, we were excited to hear Jeff’s roll out of Parenting Partnership Seminars among other initiatives. Attending the Colonial Fair, the December Faculty and Staff Luncheon, the Secret Garden School Play and many other weekly/monthly/yearly events are all very rewarding and encouraging to us. However, there is nothing more rewarding than participating in the activities of Graduation Week. Hearing the testimonies of our graduates is our “pay” for what we do.

Did you Know?

If you are more than 70.5 years old and must take a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from your IRA, you may be able to save money on your taxes by turning that distribution into a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD). The QCD provision is one of the biggest breaks in the tax code and can be of great value to the charitably inclined.

Please check with your tax advisor to see if you can join with others who are supporting JRHS through a QCD and save on your tax bill at the same time!
Lacrosse Update

This year our lacrosse team went through a big transition from practices and training to competing against teams from other schools! Under the leadership of Coach Samuelson, the Sentinels, now expanded to 16 players, played with their toughest spirits. We had a rough start; some of the players had never even picked up a lacrosse stick. However, they played hard and they showed “great gusto,” quoted from Coach Sams. He is very pleased with the hard-work of the Sentinels. He has personally witnessed a lot of growth, and he praises our player Gideon especially, who scored the first goal in Jesse Remington history! More, younger player Joey Philbrick showed skill and command of the mid-field, an essential part of the game. In the long season of late February into May, the team learned a strong defense, led by Ben Menard, who came to the team late, but brought a phenomenal defensive performance. Goalies Camden Stockin and Isaac Nicholson learned the toughness required to play the position of a goalie. The Sentinels improved greatly through this season and we cannot wait until next spring!

Mr. Samuelson Pursues Master’s Degree

This summer, Humanities teacher Jacob Samuelson will begin a Master’s Degree program at Gordon College, pursuing a Masters of Arts in Educational Leadership. The program is designed to train up new leaders for Christian school work, and offers advanced training from a Christian Liberal Arts perspective. Jacob will begin his summer residency in early July, and will then continue coursework over the next two years. He will be in a cohort of other educators, looking to increase their ability to lead in Christian education. Some of the speakers in the program include Andy Crouch of Christianity Today, Peter Greer of Hope International and Michael Lindsay, President of Gordon College. The program covers the gamut of educational leadership from curriculum and program planning to governance, admissions and fund development. We look forward to how the Lord will utilize Jacob’s new skills in the years ahead!

Honor Roll | Q3

Headmaster’s List with Distinction:
Elissa Colombo; Ellie Philbrick; Isaac Nicholson; Julia Jacott; Kate Jeanes; Melody Song; Kristin Shi

Headmaster’s List:
Amanda Crawford; Amy Uscinski; Andrew Archambault, Rebekah Belliveau; Ben Menard; Besse Deacon; Davis Palmer; Keagan Morganthal; Leah Joy Clark; Lukkas Hyvonen; Ruth Menard; Theia James

High Honors: Andrew Higgins; James Song; Elizabeth Galatis; Louise Xu; Nate Archambault; Nate Croley

Honors: Sam Carlson; Camden Stockin; Austin Seo

Honorable Mention: Juliana Sohmer; Lucius Jacott

Commendable: Aiden Jeanes
Madeline Pryor, Doctorate of Pharmacy 2019

Where are They Now?

Madeline Pryor followed the footsteps of her two older sisters, and attended Jesse Remington High School from 2009-2013. She then went on to the University of New England where she just earned herself Doctorate in Pharmacy. Congratulations, Maddie!

Maddie is heading to North Carolina this month to begin her one year residency where she could also potentially do a second year. Her end goal is to work in Primary Care as a Pharmacist. This is a specialty that is more developed in the south and harder to come by in New England.

Looking back, she believes taking Miss Wilderman’s Chemistry class helped spark her interest in Chemistry and going into the field of medicine. Maddie also believes the yearly JRHS Mission Trips played a big part in her deciding to go into Primary Care--for the more one-on-one care aspect. She also stated that the Mission Trips helped give her a more “global perspective.” She credits her JRHS Mission Trip experience for being accepted on a medical mission trip to Peru her freshman year of college. Out of about 70 applicants, about 15 were accepted. Out of the 15, only 2 were freshman. She also was able to study abroad in Morocco and Thailand.

When asked how the JRHS mission shaped and inform who Maddie is as a disciple of Christ, she answered “It really helped me build a foundation, and to realize what was important. I was able to find friends who had similar beliefs on campus. UNE is a very liberal school, which was hard at first, but attending JRHS helped me realize it was important to find a community of believers. God made connections for roommates and allowed me to assist building a Christian organization on campus.”

Discipline and Time Management are skills she learned at JRHS, and expanded upon since then. She hopes current and future students take advantage of learning new skills to help them build a foundation for college and beyond.

Maddie’s prayer for JRHS would be for continued growth and finding the right families to attend, and that JRHS will continue to make an impact on people and local community, even those who do not attend the school.
The Sentinel Society is a growing network of alumni, parents, and friends who are committed to the mission of Jesse Remington High School, and by their gifts and regular prayer support, foster the development of the school and support its students. The faithful support of Sentinel Society members is a tremendous blessing and encouragement to us. Members have the satisfaction of knowing they are investing in the lives of our students by funding improvements in the school and supporting our faculty, those serving the Lord at Jesse Remington as teachers and mentors.

Each year we offer the opportunity for people to join our Sentinel Society, a growing group of people who include Jesse Remington in their regular giving. This spring the following 7 members were added to the list of SS members bringing the total membership to 40. New members this year include:

- Alumni - Marcus Drew ('18), Reese Dow ('15) and Alyssa Pryor ('11),
- Current school families - Nancy Palmer and Paul and Lisa Beliveau,
- Alumni parents - Mark and Karin Cross-Powers, and
- An anonymous supporter.
Jonathan Lacy has attended Jesse Remington all four years of high school. He has most enjoyed the sugar shack project and doing work around campus. This second semester, he has also enjoyed getting to know a few of the younger students in a more real way through the mission trip to Philadelphia this year. His plans for the future are to attend Manchester Community College to major in Automotive Mechanics. He is guided by this Proverb: “Trust in the Lord, and lean not on your own understanding” (3:5).

Ellie Philbrick has also attended Jesse Remington for all four years of her high school experience. She enjoys taking CP Humanities class because she loves reading many of the classic pieces of literature and seeing how God works throughout both American and European world history. She is attending Wheaton College in the Fall of 2019 to pursue a career in Christian Education and Ministry, and a minor in Sociology. This second semester has really humbled her as a leader for God through the mission trip experience and the drama program. A guiding scripture that Ellie falls to is Psalm 62:1-2 which says, “My soul finds rest in God alone, my salvation comes from Him. He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress, I will never be shaken.”

Lucius Jacott came to JRHS in the second semester of his junior year. Although he has not been with the seniors for all four years, he has contributed nicely to this class and brings a sense of laughter and thought provoking conversation to a classroom. He enjoys Timber Fame class and CP Humanities, specifically reading “The Knight's Tale” from Canterbury Tales. “It was just so epic with all the imagery and Iliad/Odyssey elements,” he comments. His plans for next year include attending Houghton College to major in History. He hopes to join the lacrosse team and learn the skill of welding.

Leah Joy Clark has been attending Jesse Remington High School for all four years. Being one of the strong worship team leaders, Leah greatly appreciates the chapel services along with the variety of speakers that come to share God's Word with the Jesse Remington students, teachers, faculty, and staff. Leah was accepted to Berklee College of Music. However, she is considering attending Montclair State University for Music Therapy. Later on, she seeks to eventually get her Masters degree in

Class of 2019: What’s Next?

By Elissa Colombo ('20) & Ellie Philbrick ('19)
Mental Health. The verse that she looks at when thinking about her future is Proverbs 31:25 which states, “Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come.” No matter what college Leah ends up going to, she knows that God will open and close the right doors in order to bring Him the most glory through her life.

Kristin Shi, an International student from China, has been attending Jesse Remington since her sophomore year. Throughout her time at Jesse Remington, Kristin has greatly appreciated the strong, Christian friendships she has made with many of the students and teachers. Once she graduates, she plans to attend the University of Washington, and as yet is undecided as to what her major will be. Kristin believes that God will be there to guide and mold her into a stronger, more hardworking young woman. When seeking guidance and direction for her future, Kristin leans on 1 Peter 1:7 which states, “So that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ.”

Melody Song is an International Student from South Korea and has been attending Jesse Remington ever since her freshman year. Throughout her time here, she has greatly valued the variety of classes and projects with her favorite class being anatomy. Melody has been accepted to Liberty University for nursing, but will defer for one year while she spends a year in South Korea. After she graduates from college, she desires to become a military nurse in South Korea. As she looks at all of the possibilities and decisions ahead of her, Melody finds direction and peace in 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 which commands, “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”

Louise Xu is our second International student from China. This is her first year attending Jesse Remington. The greatest aspect of this community that she has valued has been the support and encouragement from all of her new friends as she has gotten used to the community and workload. She will remember the love and support that she has received from everyone so far this school year. Once she graduates, she plans to attend the University of New Hampshire for finance and accounting. Louise finds rest in John 3:20-21 which proclaims, “For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his works should be exposed. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God.”
We praise God for provision through his people! This year’s Mission Celebration Night of Giving took place on March 30th. Each year, this event proves to be a time of fellowship, reunion and recommitment to the mission of JRHS. Our emcee, Thomas Philbrick (‘11), shared how his JRHS experiences equipped him for further learning and service. Thomas stressed the importance of developing young men and women as leaders for Christ. Jackie Lacy, board member and parent of three Jesse Remington students, shared a moving testimony about the impact of a JRHS education on her family and then invited the group to partner in the mission.

As Jackie shared during the event, our goal for the final quarter of our fiscal year was to raise $55,000 to meet our Annual Fund goal. We are praising God for the generous gifts and commitments made at the event. With about a month to go, more than $42,000 has come in with additional pledged funds expected!

Thank you to all who made it a wonderful event and THANK YOU for your support. Your gifts make a significant difference in JRHS’ ability to fulfill the mission in the lives of the students. To God be the glory!