

A Short Who's Who in Administration

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Executive Director Dr. Gerald Boarman

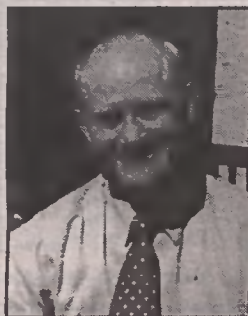


Although only beginning his third year at the school in July, Dr. Boarman has brought great change and controversy to NCSSM. As Executive Director, he is responsible to the Board of Trustees and the state legislature for the day-to-day management of the school and for steering school policy. He is "where the buck stops" at NCSSM.

Since his arrival, NCSSM has added weighted Grade Point Averages, examined the concept of adding a sophomore class, revamped the discipline and hearing process, and for the first time this year charged a Student Fee. In addition, major changes have been made in student life, including modifications to the Physical Education program and the addition of Supervised Study. Dr. Boarman is very focused on gaining political and financial support for the school from the state. He has clearly expressed his goal of making NCSSM the nation's top specialized Science and Math high school.

Every Monday he meets with either the Junior or Senior class to discuss school issues, and can often be found at games and events or working in his office in First Watts.

Director of Academic Programs Dr. Steve Warshaw



At the core of the NCSSM experience is the rigorous academic atmosphere. The scholastic aspect of the school is the responsibility of the Department of Academic Programs, headed by Dr. Warshaw. Warshaw received his Ph.D in Biology and began his NCSSM career teaching.

Now in Administration, Dr. Warshaw and the assistant director of Academic Programs, Mr. Thomas Clayton, oversee the entire curriculum, the assessment process, and the special academic programs the school offers.

Academic Programs itself consists of everything from Dr. Warshaw and Mr. Clayton to the academic advisors, and includes the Department heads: Mr. Tom Trocano for Sciences, Dr. Jo Ann Lutz for Mathematics, and Dr. Virginia Wilson for Humanities.

Dr. Warshaw is also a leader on a number of current issues at the school such as academic integrity, curriculum modernization, and the possibility of a three-year school. As liaison to the Ethical Awareness Group and co-Chair of the Curriculum, Standards, and Assessment Task Force, he works with faculty and students examining many new ideas in school and curriculum reform.

He is available in his office on the ground floor of Watts.

Director of Student Life Dr. Joan Barber



One thing that makes NCSSM unique is its strong commitment to student needs and interests. Dr. Joan Barber has been at Science and Math for 16 years, beginning as the Assistant Principal in 1987. She received her Ph.D in renal physiology, with a specialty in nephrology,

which qualified her to teach Research in Biology during her early years at the school. Barber then continued to become the Director of Student Life, working with Student Life programs to make these two years easy and enjoyable for everyone at Science and Math.

As Director, she works closely with the individual Department heads: Student Life Office Manager Linwood Stewart, Head of Counseling Services Gail Hudson, Head of Physical Activity and Wellness Eileen Witt, Head of Residential Life Kevin Cromwell, and Head of Resource Officers Harold Tucker. The school is currently hiring for a Head of Residential Student Services.

Dr. Barber's office is immediately to the right after entering Bryan Lobby, looking out on the NCSSM Memorial Garden. She can usually be found either in her office or walking to and fro on campus.

Out of the Bubble

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Those who love and honor Science and Math also realize the limitations imposed when living at a boarding school, without a car, surrounded by quirky, yet occasionally intensely geeky people. "Out of the Bubble," found in every issue of The Stentorian 2001 - 2002, is a helpful list of places to eat around campus, sporting events to check-out, concerts, and the occasional corny dating idea—anything that can get you out of NCSSM.

Music Spots

There are many places around the triangle to catch new and upcoming bands (sometimes the concerts are not minor friendly, so you may want to make sure):

Cat's Cradle- (Carrboro, minutes from UNC); fun, inexpensive, and crowded; mostly local bands

The Ritz- (Raleigh) large venue; occasionally mildly famous people play there

The Lincoln Theatre- (Raleigh) lots of local bands and sometimes a rising star or two

Alltell Pavilion at Walnut Creek- (Raleigh) only big names play here, so it's pricey, but worth it if you can get a ride

Amphitheater at Regency Park- (Cary) hosting John Mayer and the Indigo Girls soon

Durham Alive!- (Durham Bulls Athletic Park) local bands, but a lot of fun. 5:30-7:00 PM Thursday, Aug. 29

Good Eats

Elmo's Diner- affordable, close, and you will always see a S&M'er there; it's Cheers without the bar atmosphere

The Cosmic Cantina- cheap and filling; possibly the best Mexican food ever and a favorite of NCSSM

George's Garage- slightly expensive, but trendy and fun. Offers a lunch buffet, a sushi bar, and different varieties of food, but occasionally the service is bad and the restaurant a tad stuffy.

NY Pizza- it's just pizza, plain and simple. Offers bread sticks, calzones, stromboli, pizza by the slice or whole, and soft serve ice cream.

Cinelli's Pizza- pizza, stromboli, etc.; cute waiters & a hunky, Italian chef

Jimmy Johns- a sub shop with lots to offer & delivery.

El-Rodeo- located within Brightleaf Square; typical Mexican food

Blue Corn Café- less "mexican-y" Latin American food; great for vegetarians

International Delights- middle-eastern food; reviews for the restaurant are good, but from the outside it looks a little run-down

Café Parizade- located in Erwin Square- too expensive for the normal student

Magnolia Grill- all types of specialty cuisine; again, a place your parents should take you

Cool Treats

Ben & Jerry's- earth friendly and there's a good chance you'll see a Duke basketball player. Good ice cream, but if you are expecting your mint chocolate chip ice cream to be green beware, they do not use food coloring or many preservatives.

Francesca's Dessert Café- coffee, gelatto, and desserts within a great atmosphere.

Mad Hatter's- fabulous cookies, pretty cakes, coffee and hot chocolate—new location now offers breakfast and sandwiches



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The essence of Ninth Street- a Cosmic experience.

NCSSM Trademarks

The LOOP- it hits places like Brightleaf Square, Northgate Mall, and The Streets at South Point. It's well worth the ten to forty minute wait and you really get to bond with your classmates as you sit on their laps or five to a bench seat. Keep in mind that the short bus is not the sexiest vehicle to pick up ladies in.

School Dances- You might think they're lame, but you have to go to a few at least. There's the T-shirt Signing Dance, the Halloween Dance, Winter Semi-Formal, Prom, End of Year, and usually a few more random dances thrown in there, too.

Movie Nights- there are movies almost every weekend on campus. They range from classics, to new releases, to films produced by our very own NCSSM students.

Premium Night- the PFM doesn't get any better than this. On this night the cafeteria ladies whip out the fresh lettuce, the real beef, and the ice cream sundae. The lines will be long, but it's worth the wait.

Dating Ideas

First, obey the two week rule. After that you can try these out.

Build a Bear- it's located at The Streets at South Point. This store allows you the opportunity to pick out a body, stuff it with love and friendship, and choose an outfit. It's too cute for words.

Oval Park- it's a short walk from school and it's where you really can be a kid again.

Picnics- around campus or on a Duke lawn; it doesn't get much more romantic, but if you are going to have a picnic do it right. That means a little basket, some fruit, cheese, and sparkling cider. Don't forget a blanket!

Remember, that to have a good date you do not need a lot of money. Just be creative. Think of a silly game to play (Truth or Dare, Twister, 100 Questions), or paint a masterpiece in the art studio—just do something different, and it will be fabulous.