



**Peter H. Quimby, Ph.D. '85 P'14**, began his tenure as the twenty-eighth Head of School of The Governor's Academy on July 1, 2011, but he first arrived in Byfield long before that. Quimby graduated Cum Laude from Governor Dummer Academy, as the school was then known, in 1985. From leading the faculty through the development of the school's Seven Essential Skills to expanding the Academy's commitment to issues of community and belonging, his deep knowledge of and passion for Govs have allowed him to influence virtually all areas of school life. Over the last 15 years as Head of School, Quimby has raised funds through a successful \$100M comprehensive fundraising campaign to support several institution priorities, ranging from financial aid (from which he himself benefited as a student), to the construction of many new or expanded facilities on campus, including the Bill '67 and Peter '71 Alford Coastal Research Center, the Peter Marshall French Student Center, the Alford Dining Hall, the Bennett H. Beach '67 Track, and new faculty housing.

Before returning to Govs as Head of School, Quimby enjoyed a distinguished teaching and administrative career, having served in leadership roles at Princeton University, Yale University, and the University of Wisconsin-Madison. In his role as Deputy Dean of the College at Princeton, Quimby had general responsibility for all undergraduate academic programs, including the undergraduate curriculum. At Yale University, Quimby served as Dean of Davenport College, one of the university's residential colleges. He counseled students on academic and personal issues and worked closely with Davenport undergraduates and the Head of College on all administrative and support functions. During his tenure at Yale, Quimby was also a lecturer in the Department of Political Science. Prior to Yale, Quimby was Assistant Dean of Chadbourne Residential College (CRC) and the Pathways to Excellence Project at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and he also served as a lecturer in the University's Political Science Department.

Quimby received his BA in government and Russian from Bowdoin College in 1989, graduating Magna Cum Laude. He earned his MA in political science from the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1992 and a Ph.D. in political science from that same institution in 1999. His dissertation topic explored religion and politics in post-Soviet Russia and Ukraine.

He earned fellowships to study at UW-Madison, Harvard University, and Indiana University, and was awarded a prestigious fellowship from the International Research and Exchanges Board to spend a year conducting dissertation research in Moscow, Russia, and Kyiv, Ukraine.

Quimby was a member of The Governor's Academy Board of Trustees from 2007-2010, serving as Vice President and Chair of the Education Policy Committee. He was formerly a member of the Bowdoin College President's Visiting Committee, and for nearly two decades has served in leadership roles with The Phi Beta Kappa Society, including serving as President of the Society from 2021-2024. He currently serves on the Board of Directors of the School of Leadership, Afghanistan, where he is chair of the Academic Policy Committee, and a member of the Risk Committee and the Construction Task Force, which is focused on the construction of an entirely new boarding school campus outside of Kigali, Rwanda. He is also a member of the Heads and Principals Association, a select group of secondary school leaders across the country.