

About Arthur Segel

Arthur Segel, one of the founders of the Brookline High School 21st Century Fund, will be this year's Distinguished Alumnus honoree. Segel, an accomplished international real-estate investor and Harvard Business School professor, is being recognized for his visionary leadership in real estate and finance, his advocacy for innovation in public education, and his extensive service to the non-profit community.

"Arthur Segel is an extraordinary human being," said Dr. Robert J. Weintraub, Headmaster of Brookline High, "with powerful accomplishments across a broad spectrum of endeavors; with unmatched intelligence, creativity and energy; and with a profound commitment to and love for the many, many people in his life."

A 1969 BHS graduate, Segel served as the first chairman of the 21st Century Fund and has been a driving force behind the fund's success since its 1998 inception. The 21st Century Fund supports innovative programs that foster academic success for all students. Over the past nine years the Fund has raised more than \$4 million. Past honorees include activist Sandra Bakalar, Boston Red Sox general manager Theo Epstein, New England Patriots owner Robert Kraft, late-night talk show host Conan O'Brien, journalist Mike Wallace, and Massachusetts Governor and presidential nominee Michael Dukakis.

Arthur had the vision and commitment to BHS to help create a Fund that would address some of the fundamental stumbling blocks in public education. His creativity, innovation and sense of community are not only qualities the Fund values and seeks to celebrate, but they have allowed us to create an organization that truly makes a difference in students' lives," said Georgia Johnson, Chairman of the 21st Century Fund."

Segel was named one of the 30 most influential leaders in real estate worldwide in a 2006 readers' poll of Private Equity Real Estate Journal. He is the founder of the Xander Group, a private equity firm that invests in real estate and infrastructure in India, and he co-founded TA Associates Realty, a large U.S. based real estate advisory firm that he co-managed until 2001. Segel currently serves on the advisory committee to Portland Capital, a new real estate hedge fund based in London.

A 1973 graduate of Harvard College, Segel earned his MBA from Stanford University's Graduate School of Business in 1975. Segel has taught at Harvard Business School since 1996, where he oversees a growing real estate faculty and has published more than 70 cases, technical and teaching notes. Segel's philanthropic achievements are numerous. In addition to his leadership of the 21st Century Fund, he co-founded the Tobin Project, an international think tank of academics and policy makers who together address global issues. He has served as a trustee or overseer for National Public Radio, The Gardner Museum, Combined Jewish Philanthropies, Temple Israel, Hebrew Union College, and The Brookline Foundation. He currently serves on the Executive Committee of the Boston Symphony Orchestra.

Mr. Segel, BHS Class of 1969, is one of Brookline High School's biggest champions. He and his wife, the Honorable Patti B. Saris, have four children; three are BHS graduates and the youngest is a member of the class of 2010.