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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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See Instruction

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * SUNDERLAND RICHARD W JR	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol AMERICAN PUBLIC EDUCATION INC [APEI]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)			
(Last) (First) (Middle) 111 WEST CONGRESS STREET	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 01/22/2015	Director 10% Owner Symbol Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) EVP, Chief Financial Officer			
(Street) CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414	4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			

(City)	(State) (Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned								
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securi on(A) or D (Instr. 3,	(A) or	d of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
Common Stock, par value \$.01	01/22/2015		A(1)	3,612	A	\$0	13,695	D		
Common Stock, par value \$.01	01/22/2015		F(2)	388	D	\$ 34.93	13,307	D		

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Title	and	8. Price of	9. Nu
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				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Relationships Reporting Owner Name / Address

> Officer Other Director 10% Owner

SUNDERLAND RICHARD W JR 111 WEST CONGRESS STREET CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414

EVP, Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Richard W. 01/26/2015 Sunderland, Jr.

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. ** 78ff(a).

Restricted Stock Award Unit pursuant to the American Public Education, Inc. 2011 Omnibus Incentive Plan.

- Performance-based award reflects the achievement of a free cash flow performance measure for the issuer's fiscal year ended **(1)** December 31, 2014. Award vests in three equal installments, with one third vesting on January 22, 2015, one third vesting on January 20, 2016 and one third vesting on January 20, 2017.
- The issuer withheld shares of Common Stock from the reporting person to pay the tax withholding obligations related to the **(2)** vesting of equity awards held by the reporting person.

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