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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * ABS CAPITAL PARTNERS IV LP 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

below)

Issuer

Symbol AMERICAN PUBLIC

(Month/Day/Year)

(Check all applicable)

(Last)

(First) (Middle) **EDUCATION INC [APEI]** 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

_X__ Director Officer (give title

X__ 10% Owner _ Other (specify

400 EAST PRATT STREET, SUITE 03/03/2008

(Street)

910

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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Person

BALTIMORE, MD 21202-3116

(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securitie or Disposed o (Instr. 3, 4) Amount	f (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	03/03/2008		S	102,649	D	\$ 33.5475	4,082,018	D (1)	
Common Stock, par value \$.01	03/03/2008		S	3,437	D	\$ 33.5475	136,677	I (1)	By ABS Capital Partners IV-A, LP
Common Stock, par value	03/03/2008		S	5,895	D	\$ 33.5475	234,431	I (1)	By ABS Capital Partners

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\$.01								Offshore, LP
Common Stock, par value \$.01	03/03/2008	S	4,019	D	\$ 33.5475	159,826	I (1)	By ABS Capital Partners IV Special Offshore, LP

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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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transact Code (Instr. 8)	5. forNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Amou Under Secur	rlying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)
			Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	

Reporting Owners

	Relationships					
Reporting Owner Name / Address	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
ABS CAPITAL PARTNERS IV LP 400 EAST PRATT STREET SUITE 910 BALTIMORE, MD 21202-3116	X	X				
ABS CAPITAL PARTNERS IV A LP 400 EAST PRATT STREET SUITE 910 BALTIMORE, MD 21202-3116	X	X				

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ABS CAPITAL PARTNERS IV OFFSHORE LP

400 EAST PRATT STREET
SUITE 910
X X

BALTIMORE, MD 21202-3116

ABS CAPITAL PARTNERS IV SPECIAL OFFSHORE LP

400 EAST PRATT STREET
SUITE 910
X X

BALTIMORE, MD 21202-3116

Signatures

Donald B. Hebb, Managing Member of ABS IV, L.L.C the General Partner of ABS Capital Partners IV, L.P.

03/05/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Donald B. Hebb, Managing Member of ABS IV, L.L.C the General Partner of ABS Capital Partners IV-A, L.P.

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Donald B. Hebb, Managing Member of ABS IV, L.L.C the General Partner of ABS Capital Partners IV Offshore, L.P.

Date

03/05/2008

Donald B. Hebb, Managing Member of ABS IV, L.L.C the General Partner of ABS Capital Partners IV Special Offshore, L.P.

**Signature of Reporting Person

03/05/2008

**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).

ABS Partners IV L.L.C., as the general partner (the "General Partner") of ABS Capital Partners IV, LP, ABS Capital Partners IV-A, LP, ABS Capital IV Offshore, ABS Capital IV Special Offshore, LP (collectively, the "Funds"), and Donald B. Hebb, Jr., Phillip A.

Clough, John D. Stobo, Jr., Frederic G. Emry, Ashoke Goswami, Ralph S. Terkowitz, Timothy T. Weglicki and Laura L. Witt, as the managing members of the General Partner (the "Managers"), are indirect beneficial owners of the reported securities. The General Partner and each of the Managers disclaim beneficial ownership of these shares except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein. The General Partner of the Funds has voting and dispositive power over these shares.

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