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AMERICAN PUBLIC EDUCATION INC Form 4 October 03, 2008 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading CLOUGH PHILLIP A Issuer Symbol AMERICAN PUBLIC (Check all applicable) EDUCATION INC [APEI] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction X Director 10% Owner Officer (give title _ Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 400 EAST PRATT STREET, SUITE 10/01/2008 910 (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person _ Form filed by More than One Reporting BALTIMORE, MD 21202-3116 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) (D) Price Code V Amount Common 4,238,549 ⁽²⁾ 228 (1) A Stock, par 10/01/2008 Α \$0 D (3) value \$.01

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 Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. orNumber of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		ate	Amou Unde Secur	le and unt of rlying tities . 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secu Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Addı	·ess	Relationships							
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other					
CLOUGH PHILLIP A 400 EAST PRATT STREET SUITE 910 BALTIMORE, MD 21202-3	Х	Х							
Signatures									
Phillip A. Clough	10/03/2008								
<u>**</u> Signature of	Date								

<u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- (1) Prior to the beginning of the year the reporting person elected to receive common stock in lieu of cash for a portion of their annual retainer, which retainer is paid in quarterly installments.

Of the total shares ABS Capital Partners IV, LP owns 3,728,057 shares, ABS Capital Partners IV-A, LP owns 124,825, ABS Capital IV Offshore, LP owns 214,103, ABS Capital IV Special Offshore, LP owns 145,967 shares (collectively, the ?Funds?), and Timothy T. Weglicki directly owns 8,408 shares and indirectly owns 5,192 shares owned by The Timothy T. Weglicki Irrevocable Trust dated March

- (2) 11, 1999 (the ?Trust?), which shares Mr. Weglicki disclaims beneficial ownership of except to the extent of his pecuniary interest therein. ABS Partners IV L.L.C., as the general partner (the ?General Partner?) of the Funds and Phillip A. Clough and Timothy T. Weglicki as managers 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 the shares owned by the Funds, Timothy T. Weglicki and the Trust except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein. CONTINUED FOOTNOTE 3.
- (3) CONTINUED FROM FOOTNOTE 2. The General Partner of the Funds has voting and dispositive power over the shares owned by the Funds.

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