

AMERICAN PUBLIC EDUCATION INC

Form 4

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FORM 4**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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 1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Leuba Mark L.

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 W. CONGRESS STREET
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
 01/29/2009

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
 SVP, Chief Information Officer

CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414

(City) (State) (Zip)

4. If Amendment, Date Original
 Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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

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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock, par value \$.01	01/29/2009		M	9,118 A	\$ 1.05 24,480	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01	01/29/2009		M	1,825 A	\$ 20 26,305	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 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 1.05	01/29/2009		M	9,118	(1) 01/23/2015	Common Stock	9,118
Employee Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 20	01/29/2009		M	1,825	(2) 11/07/2014	Common Stock	1,825

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Leuba Mark L. 111 W. CONGRESS STREET CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414			SVP, Chief Information Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Lisa G. Kessler,
Attorney-in-Fact

02/02/2009

**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).

(1) The remaining shares underlying the option become exercisable on January 24, 2010.

(2) The remaining shares underlying the option become exercisable in two equal installments on November 8, 2009 and 2010.

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