

FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Richardson Brent D.</u>			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Grand Canyon Education, Inc. [LOPE]</u>		5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>Executive Chairman</u>	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>01/05/2012</u>		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
<u>3300 W. CAMELBACK ROAD</u>			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
(Street)						
<u>PHOENIX</u>	<u>AZ</u>	<u>85017</u>				
(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. 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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	01/05/2012		s ⁽¹⁾		23,000	D	\$15.99 ⁽²⁾	2,000,504	I	Exeter Capital, LLC
Common Stock	01/06/2012		s ⁽¹⁾		30,000	D	\$16.04 ⁽³⁾	1,970,504	I	Exeter Capital, LLC

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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				

Explanation of Responses:

1. These sales were effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 plan adopted by the reporting person dated December 14, 2010 and modified by the reporting person on September 14, 2011.
2. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$15.85 to \$16.09, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Grand Canyon Education, Inc., any security holder of Grand Canyon Education, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in footnotes (2) and (3) to this Form 4.
3. The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$15.84 to \$16.14, inclusive.

Remarks:

/s/ Lyn Bickle, Attorney-in-Fact
** Signature of Reporting Person
01/09/2012
Date

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

* 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).

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