Wilkins Harry T Form 4 August 29, 2011

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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

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1(b).

(Last)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Wilkins Harry T

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

AMERICAN PUBLIC

EDUCATION INC [APEI]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 08/25/2011

111 WEST CONGRESS STREET (Street)

(First)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title below)

EVP, Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

Person

CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	-Derivati	urities Acqu	uired, 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. Securities Acquired (A) our Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or Amount (D) Price			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	08/25/2011		S	900 (1)	` ′	\$ 38.7525 (2)	28,211.5	I	By Wilkins Asset Management, Inc. (3)
Common Stock, par value \$.01	08/25/2011		S	100 (1)	D	\$ 39.52	28,111.5	I	By Wilkins Asset Management, Inc. (3)
Common Stock, par value \$.01							76,161	D	

Common

Stock, par value 350 I By son $\frac{(4)}{2}$

\$.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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5.	6. Date Exer	cisable and	7. Title and	8. Price of	9. Nu
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transactio	onNumber	Expiration Date		Amount of	Derivative	Deriv	
	Security	or Exercise		any	Code	of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Underlying	Security	Secui
	(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative		Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 5)	Bene	
		Derivative				Securities				Owne	
		Security				Acquired					Follo
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						of (D)					(Instr
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						4, and 5)					
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							Date Expira Exercisable Date	Expiration	or Title Number		
								Date			
				C-J- V	(A) (D)			of			
					Code V	(A) (D)			Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Wilkins Harry T 111 WEST CONGRESS STREET CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414

EVP, Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Harry T. 08/29/2011 Wilkins

**Signature of Date
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) The sales reported in this Form 4 were effected pursuant to a Rule 10b5-1 Sales Plan adopted by the reporting person on March 19, 2009, as amended on September 7, 2010.

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- The price of \$38.7525 per share represents a weighted average of sales prices ranging from \$38.4908 to \$39.17 per share. The reporting (2) person undertakes to provide upon request by the Commission staff, the issuer, or a security holder of the issuer, full information regarding the number of shares purchased or sold at each separate price.
- The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership, except to the extent of his pecuniary benefit, of the securities owned by Wilkins (3) Asset Management, Inc., and this report shall not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of the securities for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.
- (4) The reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by his son, and this report should not be deemed an admission that the reporting person is the beneficial owner of his son's shares for purposes of Section 16 or for any other purpose.

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