Gibbons Peter W Form 4 January 23, 2013

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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 Gibbons Peter W Issuer Symbol AMERICAN PUBLIC (Check all applicable) **EDUCATION INC [APEI]** (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title (Month/Day/Year) below) 111 WEST CONGRESS STREET 01/03/2013 SVP, Chief Admin. Officer (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 CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414 Person

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(City)	(State) (Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative	Secur	ities Acqu	uired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	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	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock, par value \$.01	01/03/2013		F	159	D	\$ 37.49	8,898	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01	01/04/2013		F	128	D	\$ 37.87	8,770	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01	01/21/2013		A	1,722 (1) (2)	A	\$ 0	10,492	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	2. Conversion	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)		4. Transaction	5. orNumber	6. Date Exerc Expiration Da		7. Title		8. Price of Derivative	9. Nu Deriv
Security (Instr. 3)	or Exercise Price of Derivative Security		any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)	of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Month/Day/		Underly Securiti (Instr. 3	ying les	Security (Instr. 5)	Secur Bene Owne Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title N	Amount or Number of Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Gibbons Peter W 111 WEST CONGRESS STREET CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414

SVP, Chief Admin. Officer

Signatures

/s/ Harry T. Wilkins, Attorney-in-Fact

01/23/2013

**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) Award vests in three equal annual installments beginning on January 21, 2014.
- (2) Restricted Stock Award pursuant to the American Public Education, Inc. 2011 Omnibus Incentive Plan.

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