

Richardson Christopher C.  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *		2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	
Richardson Christopher C.		(Month/Day/Year)	Grand Canyon Education, Inc. [LOPE]	
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)
3300 W. CAMELBACK ROAD			(Check all applicable)	
(Street)			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below)    (specify below)	
PHOENIX, AZ 85017			General Counsel 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person	
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock	3,059,476 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Rich Crow Enterprises, LLC
Common Stock	288,841 <sup>(1)</sup>	I	Masters Online, LLC

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly. SEC 1473 (7-02)

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Series C Preferred Stock	Â (2)	Â (2)	Common Stock	266.95 (1) (2)	\$ (2)	I	Rich Crow Enterprises, LLC

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Richardson Christopher C. 3300 W. CAMELBACK ROAD PHOENIX, AZ 85017	Â X	Â X	Â General Counsel	Â

## Signatures

/s/ Lyn Bickle,  
Attorney-in-Fact  
Date: 11/19/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person

Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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) Reflects shares attributable to, and beneficially owned by, Mr. Richardson in his capacity as a member of Rich Crow Enterprises, LLC and Masters Online, LLC.
- (2) Upon the closing of the initial public offering of the Issuer's Common Stock, each share of Series C Preferred Stock will automatically convert into shares of the Issuer's Common Stock based on a conversion price equal to the initial public offering price per share, for no additional consideration.

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### Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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