





**Item 2.02.**

**Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On September 1, 2005, Stage Stores, Inc. (the "Company") issued a news release announcing the Company's August sales. A copy of the news release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.

**Item 9.01.**

**Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

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Exhibits.

99News release issued by Stage Stores, Inc. on September 1, 2005 announcing the Company's August 2005 sales. A copy of the news release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, hereunto duly authorized.

September 7, 2005  
(Date)

**STAGE STORES, INC.**

/s/ Michael E. McCreery  
Michael E. McCreery  
Executive Vice President and  
Chief Financial Officer