Boston Wallace E. Jr. Form 4 March 12, 2018

# FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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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 Boston Wallace E. Jr. Issuer Symbol AMERICAN PUBLIC (Check all applicable) **EDUCATION INC [APEI]** (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction \_X\_\_ Director 10% Owner X\_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) 111 WEST CONGRESS STREET 03/08/2018 President and CEO (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

(City)	(State) (	Zip) Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	Securi	ties Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		on(A) or Di	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)  (A) or		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			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(msu. 5 und 1)		
Stock, par value \$.01	03/08/2018		A <u>(1)</u>	15,049	A	\$0	406,534	D	
Common Stock, par value \$.01	03/08/2018		F(2)	1,533	D	\$ 40.2	405,001	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)

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						Exercisable Date	Date		of		
				Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting 6 wher rune, runess	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Boston Wallace E. Jr. 111 WEST CONGRESS STREET CHARLES TOWN, WV 25414	X		President and CEO				

### **Signatures**

/s/ Richard W. Sunderland, Jr., Attorney-in-Fact

03/12/2018

\*\*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).
- Restricted Stock Unit Award pursuant to the American Public Education, Inc. 2011 Omnibus Incentive Plan. Performance-based award reflects the achievement of a free cash flow performance measure for the issuer's fiscal year ended December 31, 2017. Award vests in three equal installments, with one third vesting on March 8, 2018, one third vesting on January 30, 2019 and one third vesting on January 30, 2020.
- The issuer withheld shares of Common Stock from the reporting person to pay the tax withholding obligations related to the vesting of equity awards held by the reporting person.

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