

Grand Canyon Education, Inc.
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 BACHUS DANIEL E

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 3300 W. CAMELBACK ROAD
 (Street)

PHOENIX, AZ 85017

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Grand Canyon Education, Inc.
 [LOPE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/10/2017

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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 Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|
| | | | Code | V Amount (A) or (D) Price | | | |
| Common Stock | 01/10/2017 | | M | 14,000 A \$ 12 | 122,360 | D | |
| Common Stock | 01/10/2017 | | S ⁽¹⁾ | 14,000 D \$ 59.23 | 108,360 | D | |
| | | | | (2) | | | |

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 Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security | 3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | Amount or Number of Shares |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| Stock Option (Right to Buy) | \$ 12 | 01/10/2017 | | M | 14,000 | 11/19/2013 11/18/2018 | Common Stock | 14,000 |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------------------|-------|
| | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other |
| BACHUS DANIEL E 3300 W. CAMELBACK ROAD PHOENIX, AZ 85017 | | | Chief Financial Officer | |

Signatures

/s/ Lyn Bickle,
Attorney-in-fact
01/12/2017
Date

**Signature of 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) These sales were effected pursuant to a 10b5-1 plan adopted by the reporting person dated December 14, 2016.
- The price reported in Column 4 is a weighted average price. These shares were sold in multiple transactions at prices ranging from \$58.80 to \$59.78, inclusive. The reporting person undertakes to provide to Grand Canyon Education, Inc., any security holder of Grand Canyon Education, Inc., or the staff of the Securities and Exchange Commission, upon request, full information regarding the number of shares sold at each separate price within the ranges set forth in this footnote for this Form 4.

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