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Form 8-K  
December 02, 2003

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of  
The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 2, 2003

ADE CORPORATION

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(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Massachusetts ----- (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	0-26714 ----- (Commission File Number)	04-2441829 ----- (IRS Employer Identification No.)
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80 Wilson Way  
Westwood, Massachusetts 02090

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(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(781) 467-3500

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(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On December 2, 2003, ADE Corporation issued a press release reporting its financial results for the three and six months ended October 31, 2003. The press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

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 thereunto duly authorized.

ADE CORPORATION

By: /s/ Brian C. James

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Brian C. James

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Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Chief  
Financial Officer

Date: December 2, 2003