

AMERICAN PUBLIC EDUCATION INC  
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**FORM 4**

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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 \*  
**WARNOCK DAVID L**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
**AMERICAN PUBLIC EDUCATION INC [APEI]**

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
**05/29/2008**

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

**C/O CAMDEN PARTNERS, 500 EAST PRATT ST, SUITE 1200**

(Street)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**BALTIMORE, MD 21202**

(City) (State) (Zip)

**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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock, par value \$.01	05/29/2008		A	933 (1) A \$ 0	736,021	I	See Footnotes (2) (3)

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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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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
WARNOCK DAVID L C/O CAMDEN PARTNERS 500 EAST PRATT ST, SUITE 1200 BALTIMORE, MD 21202		X		

## Signatures

/s/ Donald W. Hughes,  
Attorney-in-Fact

06/02/2008

\*\*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).
- (1) Under the directors' compensation policy for non-employee directors of American Public Education, Inc. (the "Company"), the Company's compensation committee annually grants each non-employee director an award of restricted common stock of the Company having a value of \$36,750 on the date of grant. The shares vest on the earlier of the one year anniversary of the date of grant and immediately prior to the 2009 annual meeting of stockholders.
- (2) Donald W. Hughes, David L. Warnock, Richard Johnston and Richard Berkeley (the "Managing Members") are the managing members of Camden Partners Strategic Manager, LLC ("CPSM"), which is the managing member of Camden Partners Strategic III, LLC ("CPS III"). CPS III is the General Partner of Camden Partners Strategic Fund III, L.P. ("Fund III"), which is the direct beneficial owner of 704,272 shares, and Camden Partners Strategic Fund III-A, L.P. ("Fund III-A," together with Fund III, the "Funds"), which is the direct beneficial owner of 29,268 shares. CPSM, CPS III and the Managing Members may be deemed indirect beneficial owners of the shares owned by the Funds. (Continued on the next footnote...)
- (3) (Continued from the last footnote...) CPSM, CPS III and each of the Managing Members disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held directly by the Funds and, other than Mr. Warnock, the shares owned by Mr. Warnock, except to the extent of its or his pecuniary interest therein. Each of the Funds disclaims beneficial ownership of the shares held by the other and by Mr. Warnock, except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.

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