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FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Ayers Jeffrey David

(First)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

CAREER EDUCATION CORP

(Check all applicable)

[CECO]

(Middle)

(Zin)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

CAREER EDUCATION CORPORATION, 231 N.

03/06/2018

(Month/Day/Year)

below) SVP, General Counsel

MARTINGALE ROAD

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Person

SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173

(State)

(City)	(State) (A	Table	e I - Non-D	erivative S	ecurit	ies Acq	uired, Disposed o	of, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of	2. Transaction Date		3. T	4. Securit		•	5. Amount of		
Security (Instr. 3)	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Code	ansaction(A) or Disposed of ode (D)			Securities Beneficially	Form: Direct (D) or	Indirect Beneficial
(IIIsti. <i>3)</i>		any (Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 3, 4	4 and 5	5)	Owned	Indirect (I)	Ownership
		(Month Buj Tear)	(Instr. 0)	(IIIsti. 5,	i una c	,,	Following	(Instr. 4)	(Instr. 4)
					(4)		Reported	,	
					(A)		Transaction(s)		
			Code V	Amount	or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Common Stock	03/06/2018		A	7,704 (1)	A	\$0	130,709	D	
Common Stock	03/06/2018		A	7,000 (1)	A	\$0	137,709	D	
Common Stock	03/06/2018		A	19,263 (2)	A	\$0	156,972 <u>(3)</u>	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)

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 orDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amour Underlying Securit (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amo or Num of Sh
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.8	03/06/2018		A	25,280	<u>(4)</u>	03/06/2028	Common Stock	25,2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
Ayers Jeffrey David CAREER EDUCATION CORPORATION 231 N. MARTINGALE ROAD SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173			SVP, General Counsel			

Signatures

Reporting Person

/s/Jeffrey D.
Ayers

**Signature of 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).
- Time-based restricted stock units granted pursuant to the Career Education Corporation 2016 Incentive Compensation Plan, with each unit representing the contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's common stock. These units vest in four equal installments on each of March 14, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022.
- Performance-based restricted stock units granted pursuant to the Career Education Corporation 2016 Incentive Compensation Plan, with each unit representing the contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's common stock. This amount represents the maximum possible number of shares that could be issued. These units vest on March 14, 2021, subject to the achievement of certain performance criteria.
- (3) Includes 121,924 restricted stock units granted pursuant to the Career Education Corporation 2008 or 2016 Incentive Compensation Plans, with each unit representing the contingent right to receive one share of Issuer's common stock.
- (4) Exercisable in four equal installments on each of March 14, 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022.

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