

**FORM 5**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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**ANNUAL STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

- Check this box if no longer subject to Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations may continue. See Instruction 1(b).
- Form 3 Holdings Reported.
- Form 4 Transactions Reported.

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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| 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*<br><u>Richardson Brent D.</u><br><br>(Last) (First) (Middle)<br><u>3300 W. CAMELBACK ROAD</u><br><br>(Street)<br><u>PHOENIX AZ 85017</u><br><br>(City) (State) (Zip) | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol<br><u>Grand Canyon Education, Inc. [ LOPE ]</u> | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director 10% Owner<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)<br><u>Executive Chairman</u> |
|   | 3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended (Month/Day/Year)<br><u>12/31/2012</u>           |  |
|   | 4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                                    | 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)<br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person<br><input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person   |

**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 at end of Issuer's Fiscal Year (Instr. 3 and 4) | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|------------|--------|--|--|---|
|                                 |                                      |  |                                | Amount  | (A) or (D) | Price  |  |  |   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/26/2012                           |  | G                              | 350,000 <sup>(1)</sup>  | D          | \$0.00 | 193,504  | I  | Exeter Capital, LLC                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/28/2012                           |  | G                              | 67,000 <sup>(2)</sup>   | D          | \$0.00 | 126,504  | I  | Exeter Capital, LLC                                   |
| Common Stock                    | 12/31/2012                           |  | G                              | 12,500 <sup>(2)</sup>   | D          | \$0.00 | 114,004  | I  | Exeter Capital, LLC                                   |

**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 Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4) | 10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|--|-----|--|-----------------|---|--|--|---|--|
|  |  |                                      |  |                                | (A)  | (D) | Date Exercisable   | Expiration Date |   |  |  |   |  |

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Reflects a gift to a family limited partnership benefitting the Reporting Person's children and controlled by the Reporting Person's adult children. The Reporting Person has no interest in the limited partnership and no direct or indirect voting or investment control over the shares held by the limited partnership.
- Reflects gifts to individuals or charitable organizations. The Reporting Person has no direct or indirect voting or investment control over the shares.

**Remarks:**

/s/ Lyn Bickle, Attorney-in-Fact

02/07/2013

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* 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).

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