

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person
Fitzpatrick, Thomas J.
11600 Sallie Mae Drive
Reston, VA 20193
2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
USA Education, Inc. (SLM)
3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)
4. Statement for Month/Year
2001
5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)
6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)
() Director () 10% Owner
(X) Officer (give title below) () Other (specify below)
President & COO
7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
(X) Form filed by One Reporting Person
() Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

TABLE I -- Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security	2. Trans- action Date (Month/ Day/ Year)	3. Trans- action Code	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Year	6. Owner- ship Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of In- direct Bene- ficial Owner- ship
Common Stock						208703	D	
Phantom Stock Units	12/31/2001	A	3976	A	\$0.0000	91529	D	

TABLE II -- Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.
								Number of Deriv- ative Secur- ities Benefi- cially Owned at End of Year	Owner- ship Form of Deriv- ative Secur- ity: Direct (D) or In- direct (I)	Nature of In- direct Bene- ficial Owner- ship
Title of Derivative Security	Conver- sion or Exercise Price of Deriv- ative Security	Transac- tion Date (Month/ Day/Year)	Transac- tion Code	Number of Derivative Securities Acquired(A) Disposed(D)	Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	Title and Amount of Underlying Securities Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security			
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$62.83	01/31/2001	A	44148	01/31/2002 08/13/2007	Common Stock	44148	\$62.8300	44148	D
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$62.83	01/31/2001	A	26185	01/31/2002 07/16/2008	Common Stock	261858	\$62.8300	261858	D
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$62.875	01/25/2001	A	12137	01/25/2002 01/31/2010	Common Stock	121371	\$62.8750	121371	D
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$77.8	07/24/2001	A	9873	07/24/2002 06/14/2010	Common Stock	9873	\$77.8000	9873	D
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$81.1	07/25/2001	A	810	07/25/2002 08/13/2007	Common Stock	810	\$81.1000	810	D
Stock Options (Right to buy)	\$81.1	07/25/2001	A	10571	07/25/2002 07/16/2008	Common Stock	105716	\$81.1000	105716	D

Explanation of Responses:

Includes shares acquired under the Officer Deferred Compensation Plan. Units are settled in the Company's common stock.

SIGNATURE OF REPORTING PERSON
/s/Mary F. Eure (POA)

DATE
02/14/2002

