

U.S. SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol		6. Relationship of Reporting Person to Issuer (Check all Applicable)	
Hunt	Ronald	F.	USA Education, Inc.		---	
(Last)	(First)	(MI)	of Reporting Person		Year	
11600 Sallie Mae Drive						
(Street)						
Reston	VA	20193				
(City)	(State)	(Zip)				
			3. IRS or Soc. Sec. No. of Reporting Person (Voluntary)		4. Statement for Month/Year	
					January 2001	
					5. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Year)	
					7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)	
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TABLE I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Mon/Day/Yr)	3. Trans. Code (Instr. 8)	4. Security Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Instr. 3 & 4)	6. Own. Form (D) or (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Amount	(A) (D)	Price			
Common Stock	01/25/2001	M	70000	A	\$39.3393			
Common Stock	01/25/2001	M	20000	A	\$43.0000			
Common Stock	01/25/2001	M	3500	A	\$30.8571			
Common Stock	01/25/2001	S	76400	D	\$62.0000			
Common Stock	01/25/2001	S	241	D	\$62.0625	32980	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class securities owned directly or indirectly.
*If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b) (v).

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TABLE II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible security)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Mon/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 & 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 & 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned at End of Month (Instr. 4)	10. Own. Form (D) or (I)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
					Date	Exp. Date					
Stock Opti	\$30.8571	01/25/01	M	3500	01/23/01	01/23/01	Common Sto	3500	\$30.8571	0	D

on (Right to buy)		2001				1997	2007	ck					
Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$39.3393	01/25/2001	M			70000		08/13/2007	Common Stock	70000	\$39.3393	35000	D
							(01)						
Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$43.0000	01/13/2000	A	V	20000			01/13/2010	Common Stock	20000	\$43.0000		
							(02)						
Stock Option (Right to buy)	\$43.0000	01/25/2001	M			20000		01/13/2010	Common Stock	20000	\$43.0000	0	D
							(02)						

Explanation of Responses:

- (01) The options become exercisable in increments of one-third upon the Company's common stock having a closing price on the New York Stock Exchange of \$42.86, \$57.15 and \$71.43, respectively, for five trading days, they also become exercisable on the eighth anniversary of their grant (August 13, 2005) subject to the reporting person's continued service with the Company.
- (02) These options become exercisable upon the Company's common stock having a closing price on the New York Stock Exchange of \$51.60, for five days, they also become exercisable on the fifth anniversary of the grant (January 13, 2005).

**Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

/s/Mary F. Eure (POA)

02/09/2001

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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