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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Peppers Michele A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Issuer

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

CAREER EDUCATION CORP [CECO]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

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

(Month/Day/Year) 03/06/2018

(Zip)

below)

Principal Accounting Officer

CAREER EDUCATION CORPORATION, 231 N. MARTINGALE ROAD

> (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Form filed by More than One Reporting

SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173

(City)

(Instr. 3)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(State)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Indirect Securities Form: Direct Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Owned Indirect (I) Ownership Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported

D

(A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Common 2,560 03/06/2018 A \$0 D Α 54,663 (1) Stock

Common 6,402 03/06/2018 \$0 61.065 (3) A Stock

(Month/Day/Year)

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 proof Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exerc Expiration D (Month/Day/	ate	7. Title and A Underlying S (Instr. 3 and	Securitie
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amour or Number of Shares
Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 13.8	03/06/2018		A	8,400	<u>(4)</u>	03/06/2028	Common Stock	8,40

Reporting Owners

	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	•

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Peppers Michele A CAREER EDUCATION CORPORATION 231 N. MARTINGALE ROAD SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173

Principal Accounting Officer

Signatures

Michele A. Peppers by POA: Jeffrey D.

Ayers 03/08/2018

**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).
- 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 48,846 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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