

ROSS STORES INC
Form 8-K
March 03, 2005

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

Form 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (date of earliest event reported):
March 3, 2005

ROSS STORES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware
(State or other jurisdiction
of incorporation)

0-14678
(Commission
File No.)

94-1390387
(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

4440 Rosewood Drive, Pleasanton, California, 94588-3050
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:
(925) 965-4400

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On March 3, 2005, the Company issued a press release regarding the expected adjustment of its lease accounting as a result of recent clarification by the SEC, and the possible effect on earnings for fiscal 2004 and the fourth quarter of fiscal 2004. The full text of the Company's press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) **Exhibits.**

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 99.1 | March 3, 2005 Press Release by Ross Stores, Inc.* |

*Pursuant to Item 2.02 of Form 8-K, Exhibit 99.1 shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Act of 1934, nor shall it be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

