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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Peppers Michele A Issuer Symbol CAREER EDUCATION CORP (Check all applicable) [CECO] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) CAREER EDUCATION 03/14/2018 Principal Accounting Officer CORPORATION, 231 N. MARTINGALE ROAD (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting SCHAUMBURG, IL 60173 Person

(State)

(Zip)

(City)

(City)	(State)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner							
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	tion Date 2A. Deemed ay/Year) Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		4. Securities Acquired Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Instr. 8) (A) or		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Common Stock	03/14/2018		Code V F	Amount 371 (1)	` '	Price \$ 13.85	60,694	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2018		F	1,178 (1)	D	\$ 13.85	59,516	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2018		F	213 (1)	D	\$ 13.85	59,303	D	
Common Stock	03/14/2018		M	1,603	A	<u>(2)</u>	60,906	D	
	03/14/2018		D	1,603	D		59,303	D	

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Common Stock					\$ 13.85		
Common Stock	03/14/2018	M	1,264	A	(2)	60,567	D
Common Stock	03/14/2018	D	1,264	D	\$ 13.85	59,303	D
Common Stock	03/14/2018	M	4,020	A	(2)	63,323	D
Common Stock	03/14/2018	D	4,020	D	\$ 13.85	59,303	D
Common Stock	03/14/2018	F	1,641 (1)	D	\$ 13.85	57,662	D
Common Stock	03/14/2018	F	2,462 (1)	D	\$ 13.85	55,200 (3)	D

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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number ction Derivative Securities 8) 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 Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Cash-Settled RSU	(2)	03/14/2018		M		1,603	03/14/2018	03/14/2018	Common Stock	1,603
Cash-Settled RSU	(2)	03/14/2018		M		1,264	<u>(4)</u>	03/14/2019	Common Stock	1,264
Cash-Settled RSU	(2)	03/14/2018		M		4,020	(5)	03/14/2020	Common Stock	4,020

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

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: Greg E. Jansen

03/16/2018 Date

**Signature of Reporting Person

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).
- (1) Reflects shares of common stock surrendered to the Company to satisfy tax withholding obligations in connection with the vesting of restricted stock or stock units.
- (2) Each cash-settled RSU is the economic equivalent of one share of Issuer's common stock.
- Includes 28,838 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) The remaining cash-settled RSUs vest in one additional installment on March 14, 2019.
- (5) The remaining cash-settled RSUs vest in two equal installments on March 14, 2019 and 2020.

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