

# STRAYER EDUCATION INC

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**COULTER DAVID A**

## FORM 4

(Statement of Changes in Beneficial Ownership)

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

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Section 17(a) of the Public  
Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the  
Investment Company Act of 1940

<b>1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *</b>  <b>COULTER DAVID A</b>  <small>(Last) (First) (Middle)</small>  <b>C/O STRAYER EDUCATION INC, 1100 WILSON BOULEVARD, SUITE 2500</b>  <small>(Street)</small>  <b>ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA 22209</b>  <small>(City) (State) (Zip)</small>	<b>2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol</b>  <b>STRAYER EDUCATION INC</b> <b>[ STRA ]</b>	<b>5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer</b> (Check all applicable)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <span style="float:right">_____ 10% Owner</span>  _____ Officer (give title below) <span style="float:right">_____ Other (specify below)</span>
<b>3. Date of Earliest Transaction (MM/DD/YYYY)</b>  <p align="center"><b>2/26/2009</b></p>		<b>6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing</b> (Check Applicable Line)  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person _____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
<b>4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed</b> <small>(MM/DD/YYYY)</small>		

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

1. Title of Security <small>(Instr. 3)</small>	2. Trans. Date	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	3. Trans. Code <small>(Instr. 8)</small>		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) <small>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</small>			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) <small>(Instr. 3 and 4)</small>	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) <small>(Instr. 4)</small>	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership <small>(Instr. 4)</small>
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	2/26/2009		M		10000	A	\$61.81	11830	D	
Common Stock	2/26/2009		S		6400	D	\$171.0438 <sup>(1)</sup>	5430	D	

**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned ( e.g. , puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivate Security <small>(Instr. 3)</small>	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Trans. Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Trans. Code <small>(Instr. 8)</small>		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) <small>(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)</small>		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security <small>(Instr. 3 and 4)</small>		8. Price of Derivative Security <small>(Instr. 5)</small>	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (s) <small>(Instr. 4)</small>	10. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) <small>(Instr. 4)</small>	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership <small>(Instr. 4)</small>
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Stock Option (right to buy)	\$61.81	2/26/2009		M			10000	(1)	5/16/2009	Common Stock	10000	\$0	0	D	

**Explanation of Responses:**

(1) The options became fully vested on May 16, 2005.

**Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
<b>COULTER DAVID A</b> <b>C/O STRAYER EDUCATION INC</b> <b>1100 WILSON BOULEVARD, SUITE 2500</b>  <b>ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA 22209</b>	<b>X</b>			

**Signatures**

/s/ Gregory Ferenbach, Attorney-in-Fact

3/2/2009

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

\* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

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