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## 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): September 2, 2004

# **Career Education Corporation**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

0-23245 Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction (Commission of Incorporation) File Number)

36-3932190 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

2895 Greenspoint Parkway, Suite 600, Hoffman Estates, IL

60195

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (847) 781-3600

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

Item '	7.01	Regul	lation	FD	Disclosure.
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On September 2, 2004, Career Education Corporation (the **Registrant**) issued a press release commenting on a Justice Department investigation concerning the Registrant. A copy of the Registrant s press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and the information contained therein is incorporated herein by reference. The information contained in this Form 8-K, including the exhibit, shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, and it shall not be deemed incorporated by reference into any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

Item 9.01 Fin	nancial Statements and Exhibits.
(a) None.	
(b) None.	
(c) Exhibits	
Exhibit Number	Description of Exhibits
99.1 Pr	ress Release of Registrant dated September 2, 2004.
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### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

#### CAREER EDUCATION CORPORATION

By: /s/ Patrick K. Pesch

Patrick K. Pesch

Executive Vice President, Chief Financial Officer, Treasurer and

Secretary

Dated: September 2, 2004

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