CAPELLA EDUCATION CO Form 8-K February 28, 2008

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) February 27, 2008

Capella Education Company

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota 001-33140
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number)

of incorporation) Identification No.)

225 South 6th Street, 9th Floor

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402
(Address of principal executive offices) Zip Code

Registrant s telephone number, including area code (888) 227-3552

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(IRS Employer

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Item 5.02. <u>Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.</u>

On February 27, 2008, the Compensation Committee of the Company s Board of Directors approved the Capella Education Company Annual Incentive Plan Management Employees 2008 (the 2008 Annual Incentive Plan). Under the 2008 Annual Incentive Plan, cash incentive payouts may be earned by the participants, which include all of the Company s executive officers, based on achievement of financial metrics for full-year revenue and operating income, which comprise 90% of the targeted incentive opportunity, and a learner satisfaction component, which comprises 10% of the targeted opportunity. A copy of the 2008 Annual Incentive Plan is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Report.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

10.1 Annual Incentive Plan Management Employees 2008.

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, thereunto duly authorized.

CAPELLA EDUCATION COMPANY

Date: February 28, 2008 By $\mbox{ /s/ Gregory W. Thom } \mbox{ Gregory W. Thom } \mbox{ } \$

Vice President, General Counsel and Secretary