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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting 2. Date of Event Requiring 3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Person * Statement Grand Canyon Education, Inc. [LOPE] Crowley John E. (Month/Day/Year) 11/19/2008 (Last) (First) (Middle) 4. Relationship of Reporting 5. If Amendment, Date Original Person(s) to Issuer Filed(Month/Day/Year) 3300 W. CAMELBACK ROAD (Check all applicable) (Street) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) 10% Owner Director _X_ Form filed by One Reporting _X__ Officer Other Person PHOENIX. AZÂ 85017 (give title below) (specify below) Form filed by More than One Chief Operating Officer Reporting Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned 2. Amount of Securities 4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial 1. Title of Security Beneficially Owned Ownership Ownership (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Form: (Instr. 5) Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5) Ι Common Stock 382,435 (1) Rich Crow Enterprises, LLC Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially SEC 1473 (7-02) owned directly or indirectly. Persons who respond to the collection of

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect	

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Series C Preferred Stock \hat{A} $\stackrel{(2)}{=}$ $\stackrel{($

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Crowley John E.

3300 W. CAMELBACK ROAD Â Â Â Chief Operating Officer Â
PHOENIX, AZÂ 85017

Signatures

/s/ Lyn Bickle,
Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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 attributable to, and benefically owned by, Mr. Crowley in his capacity as a member of Rich Crow Enterprises, LLC.
- Upon the closing of the initial public offering of the Issuer's Common Stock, each share of Series C Preferred Stock will automatically convert into shares of the Issuer's Common Stock based on a conversion price equal to the initial public offering price per share, for no additional consideration.

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Remarks:

Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney

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