

AMERICAN PUBLIC EDUCATION INC

Form SC 13G/A

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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G/A Annual  
As of 12/31/2010

AMERICAN PUBLIC EDUCATION, INC.

Common Stock

02913V103

Item 1. a. American Public Education, Inc.  
b. 111 West Congress Street  
c. Charles Town, WV 25414

Item 2. a. D.F. Dent & Company, Inc.  
b. 2 East Read Street, 6th Floor  
Baltimore, Maryland 21202  
c. Incorporated in the State of Maryland  
d. Common stock  
e. 02913V103

Item 3. Investment adviser registered under section 203 of the Investment  
Advisers Act of 1940

Item 4. a. 1,140,768  
b. 6.17%  
c. 1. 1,140,768  
2. 0  
3. 1,140,768  
4.

Item 5. N/A  
Item 6. N/A  
Item 7. N/A  
Item 8. N/A  
Item 9. N/A