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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>STONINGTON PARTNERS INC II</b>  (Last) (First) (Middle) 600 MADISON AVENUE, 16TH FLOOR  (Street) NEW YORK NY 10022  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <b>LINCOLN EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CORP [ LINC ]</b>	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)  Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner  Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/15/2009	
4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)		

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

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	12/15/2009		S		750,000	D	\$20.95 <sup>(1)</sup>	8,158,000	I	See Footnote <sup>(2)(5)</sup>
Common Stock								11,030	D <sup>(3)(5)</sup>	
Common Stock								11,030	D <sup>(4)(5)</sup>	

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

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <b>STONINGTON PARTNERS INC II</b>  (Last) (First) (Middle) 600 MADISON AVENUE, 16TH FLOOR  (Street) NEW YORK NY 10022  (City) (State) (Zip)		
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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*		
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**Explanation of Responses:**

1. The disposition of 750,000 shares of the common stock of Lincoln Educational Services Corporation (the "Registrant") by Back to School Acquisition, L.L.C. ("BTS") was made pursuant to a block trade under Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.
2. Stonington Partners, Inc. II is the general partner of Stonington Partners, L.P. ("SP"), and SP is the general partner of the Stonington Capital Appreciation 1994 Fund, L.P. (the "Stonington Fund"). Stonington Partners, Inc. is the management company, which, pursuant to a management agreement with the Stonington Fund, has full discretionary authority with respect to the Stonington Fund's investments, including the authority to make and dispose of such investments. The Stonington Fund controls, and has a 100% economic interest in, BTS.
3. Shares owned directly by James J. Burke, Jr.
4. Shares owned directly by Alexis P. Michas.
5. Each reporting person disclaims beneficial ownership except to the extent of its pecuniary interest therein.

/s/ James J. Burke Jr., Partner 12/17/2009  
of Stonington Partners, Inc. II

/s/ James J. Burke Jr. 12/17/2009

/s/ Alexis P. Michas 12/17/2009

\*\* 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).

\*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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