

## OUR MISSION

THE FUTURE OF OUR WORLD DEPENDS ON THE EDUCATION OF OUR CHILDREN. WE DELIVER EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE ONE BOOK AT A TIME. WE PROVIDE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY WHILE POSTERING STRONG FAMILY VALUES.

WE TOUCH THE LIVES OF CHILDREN FOR A LIFETIME.

# 2015 ANNUAL REPORT



10302 E. 55th Place • Tulsa, Oklahoma 74146-6515

Educational Development  
Corporation

**Financial Highlights**  
Fiscal Years ended February 28

Financial Information	2015	2014
Net revenues	\$ 32,548,300	\$ 26,097,000
Earnings before income taxes	\$ 1,402,500	\$ 873,500
Net earnings	\$ 859,200	\$ 357,600
<b>Earnings per share:</b>		
Basic and Diluted	\$ 0.21	\$ 0.09
Capital expenditures	\$ 325,000	\$ 77,500
Total assets	\$ 18,013,200	\$ 16,758,300
Shareholders' equity	\$ 12,328,300	\$ 12,582,400
<b>Common Stock</b>		
Shares outstanding at year end	4,024,539	3,977,943
Cash dividends paid	\$ 0.32	\$ 0.32
Book value at year end	\$ 3.06	\$ 3.16
Market price range:		
High Close	\$ 5.80	\$ 3.89
Low Close	\$ 3.57	\$ 2.49
Market price at year end	\$ 4.31	\$ 3.75
<b>Business Segments</b>		
<b>Net Revenues</b>		
EDC Publishing	\$ 11,532,500	\$ 10,968,400
Usborne Books & More	\$ 21,015,800	\$ 15,128,600
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 32,548,300</b>	<b>\$ 26,097,000</b>

**DIRECTORS**

**John A. Clerico**

Co-founder and Chairman  
ChartMark Investments, Inc.

**Ronald T. McDaniel**

Retired V.P. Sales  
Educational Development Corporation

**Kara Gae Neal**

Director, School of Urban Education  
The University of Tulsa

**Betsy Richert**

Media Specialist  
Tulsa Public Schools

**Randall W. White**

Chairman, President and  
Chief Executive Officer – EDC

**OFFICERS**

**Randall W. White**

Chairman, President and  
Chief Executive Officer

**Marilyn Pinney**

Controller and Corporate Secretary

**Craig M. White**

Vice President - Information Systems

**CORPORATE DATA**

**Notice of Annual Meeting**

July 16, 2015, 10:00 a.m.  
Educational Development Corporation  
Executive Conference Room  
10302 E. 55th Place  
Tulsa, Oklahoma

**Form 10-K**

Educational Development Corporation's  
Form 10-K filed with the Securities and  
Exchange Commission is available upon  
request. Write to:

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## Letter From The President

Dear Shareholders,

I am very pleased to announce that Educational Development Corporation has completed the largest net revenue year in our history with a 25% increase over last year. It has now been just over three years since making the bold decision to discontinue sales to Amazon, which had represented approximately 20% of the annual revenue for the publishing division, EDC Publishing. This decision was the culmination of realizing that Amazon sales were negatively impacting all aspects of our Company—from retail stores, online sales and our direct selling division, Usborne Books & More (UBAM). And what an amazing three years it has been! EDC Publishing, which sells to retail stores, just completed its largest revenue year in our history and UBAM continues to reverse a nine-year decline, posting 21 consecutive months of sales increases when compared to the same month in previous years.

As I have stated, I believed Amazon had a very negative impact on our Company and was a significant factor in the sales decline of our direct selling division. Too often, our direct sales representatives would present our products to the consumer only to have them order from Amazon and avoid sales tax, which our Company is obligated to collect. I believe in “Sales 101” which dictates that whoever makes the sale must be compensated and, when this did not happen, we lost numerous sales representatives resulting in the sales decline.

However, I am delighted to report, this trend has been reversed which has spurred a renewed confidence in our sales representatives resulting in a 67% increase in the numbers of sales representatives joining our organization this past year. There are many factors that are responsible for the turnaround in our Company revenues, and of course, the Amazon decision looms as the largest, however many other elements enter into these results and certainly not the least is the fact that we represent the very best products in the industry, with award-winning titles from Kane Miller and Usborne Publishing. We are very proud of our product line and delighted to report Usborne Publishing was recently named overall Independent Publisher of the Year in Great Britain.

I have never wavered from the philosophy that our products are better served when presented to the consumer by someone knowledgeable, whether it is one of our loyal retail outlets or our direct sales division. During this year, we committed additional incentives and support to our direct selling division and publishing division in their efforts to be competitive in the marketplace and we will continue this practice in the future. During the past year we made significant improvements to our Company operations, including negotiating improved freight rates, and we have announced exciting new enhancements including the latest technology in software to support our rapidly expanding direct selling division. The additional incentives have driven revenue to a near record level in the direct selling division, however with the operational improvements, we were still able to improve our margins in the fourth quarter and we expect to see continued improvement in the upcoming fiscal year.

We have an excellent leadership team in place, a loyal customer base, award-winning products and we are excited about the prospects for the fiscal year 2016.

*EDC is a company you can be proud to work for  
and one you can be proud to own.*

Cordially yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink that reads "Randall White". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Randall W. White  
Chairman of the Board, President  
and Chief Executive Officer

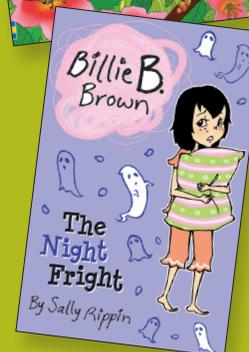
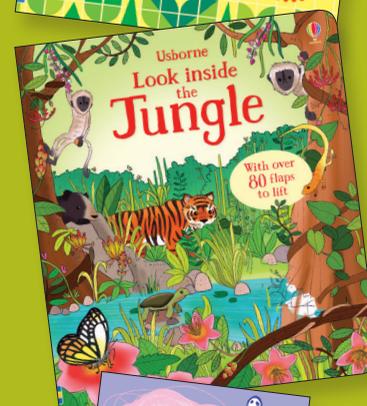
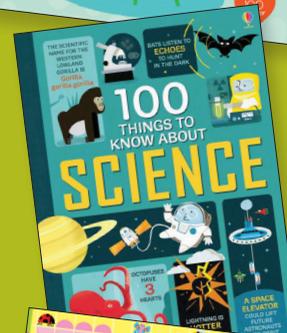
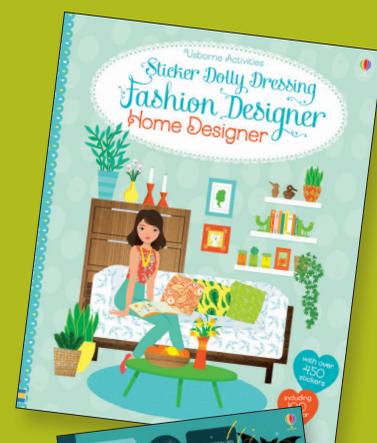
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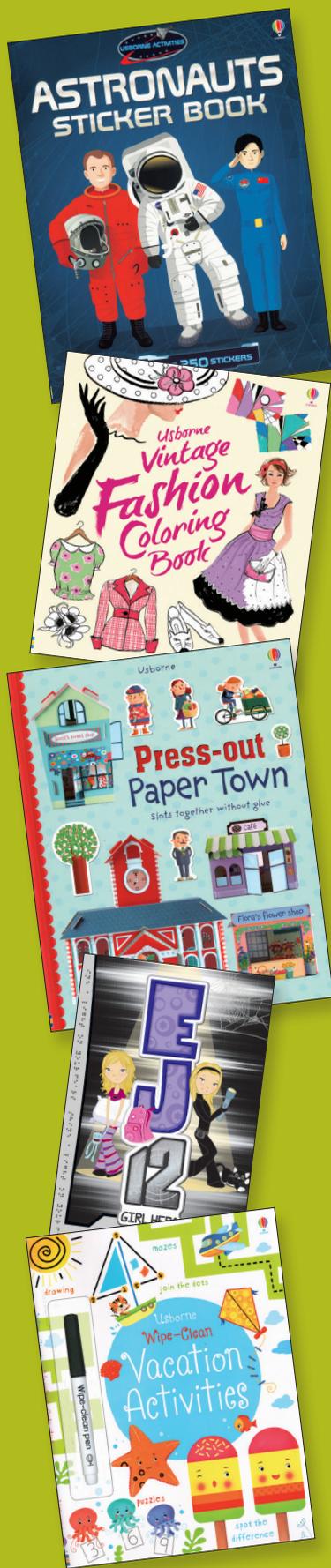
**E**ducational Development Corporation was founded in 1965 to develop supplemental curriculum material for schools. In 1978, EDC acquired the rights to publish children's books from Usborne Publishing, Ltd. in England and began distributing Usborne books through the Publishing Division (EDC Publishing). What began as a supplement to the corporation's product line has grown to become the largest product line for the company.

During the 1980s, EDC eliminated the other product lines to concentrate exclusively on Usborne books. On March 1, 1989, EDC created the direct selling division, Usborne Books at Home (currently known as Usborne Books & More). In late 2008, EDC acquired Kane Miller Publishing, an internationally known publisher of children's books with over 25 years in the industry. Concurrently with that acquisition, the name of the direct selling division was changed to Usborne Books & More.

Educational Development Corporation has two divisions. EDC Publishing distributes books to bookstores, toy stores, museums, specialty stores and other retail outlets. Usborne Books & More distributes books through Independent Consultants who sell directly to consumers via home shows, direct sales, book fairs, and web sites. Consultants, when registered as Educational Consultants, also have the opportunity to sell to the school & library market. This is done through offering one-on-one sales opportunities, fundraisers, book fairs, matching grant programs and more, which reinforce the company's support of literacy and education. The company's strategic plan includes growing market share in both divisions.

Everyone benefits from having Usborne and Kane Miler books available in their homes, classrooms, libraries and stores. Our books make learning fun! Usborne and Kane Miller books are the most exciting, engaging, and educational books on the market today. They are high quality, innovative, lavishly-illustrated and, best of all, they are the books kids love to read. There are almost 1600 bright, colorful and fun titles to choose from - covering a wide assortment of subjects. We offer an incredible variety of fiction and non-fiction titles in all age ranges.





## Usborne Books

Over forty years ago, Peter Usborne pioneered a new generation of books that prove it is possible to create books that compete with the vast media that attracts children today. From activity books, to fascinating fiction series, to internet-linked science and history encyclopedias, Usborne does books better. With subjects ranging from history to art, horses to ballet, sticker books to activity cards, math dictionaries to first readers and touchy-feely board books, every child's age, stage, subject and interest can be matched with an Usborne book. Highly illustrated, easy to pore over and dip into, written with humor, drama and intelligence, Usborne books enrich children's interests, helping them discover a myriad of subjects with ease and success. All of the books in the Usborne line have an accessible, vibrant, distinctive design and mass commercial appeal. Usborne books are currently sold in over 85 countries in more than 75 different languages.

## Kane Miller Books

For more than 25 years, Kane Miller, based in San Diego, California, has been publishing award-winning children's books from around the world. The books chosen to publish are done so with extraordinary care and attention. Kane Miller searches the world for great picture books and fiction that enrich the lives and imaginations of the children who read them. With art and text that combine to bring the world closer to children, sharing stories and ideas while exploring differences, Kane Miller books offer a window to other countries, cultures and communities – including those in the U.S. Books teach attitudes, they reinforce or break stereotypes, they make the world seem a bigger place or a smaller one, they humanize events, and they make children feel empathy, sympathy and wonder. Books can personalize the world. Kane Miller strives to publish books that make kids say “Wow that's just like me” and also “Wow, that's different.” Books that make kids say, “I want to go there someday,” or even just sometimes “Wow, what a silly story.” And for them to know that maybe someone in another part of the world is saying “Wow” about the exact same book.

## Recognitions

EDC is proud to announce that Usborne Publishing was named 2014 *Children's Publisher of the Year* and 2014 *Overall Independent Publisher of the Year* by IPG in England. This honor is especially astounding as they were judged against multiple publishers of varying sizes and subjects. As was quoted by one of the IPG judges, “the way it not just keeps going but keeps growing is really impressive. Its presence around the world is phenomenal, and it is evangelical about getting people to read. All publishers could learn something from Usborne.”

The Kane Miller title, *Splash, Anna Hibiscus!*, was selected as a 2014 Summer Reading selection from The Horn Book (on a shortlist of ten titles).

# Usborne Books & More (UBAM)

Celebrating twenty-five years in the direct selling industry is no small feat. The success of being in the industry for so long was only surpassed by the year-end results. Continued marketing efforts to not only reach new Consultants, but also encourage active Consultants to do more with their business, proved successful. Net revenues for Fiscal 2015 were up 39% over the previous year, totaling \$21,015,800. After nine years of sales decline, Fiscal Year 2014 had started a sales recovery in the home business division that continued all the way through Fiscal Year 2015. This positive trend has translated to all aspects of the business, including 6,500 new Consultants joining the business in Fiscal 2015, representing a 62% increase over the previous year. The current statistics in the Direct Selling industry continue to show a downturn in both net sales as well as new recruits. UBAM has experienced quite the opposite, with increases in multiple Key Performance Indicators, including:

- New Team Leaders – 184  
More than double the number of new Team Leaders compared to the prior year
- Incentive Trip Earners – 117  
80% more earners than the previous year
- Leadership training attendance – 250  
38% over last year
- Convention Registration – 672  
Representing 31% more attendees than in 2014

These accomplishments in UBAM can be attributed to a multitude of things, not the least of which are the programs that are offered to Consultants as sales avenues. Those include home parties, book fairs, a matching grant program, fundraisers, e-commerce sales and more. The innovative promotions offered continued in Fiscal 2015, building on the theme “Books Are My Ticket to the World”, with offerings of a fabulous incentive travel trip to Ireland as well as a chance to earn personalized, branded luggage.

The efforts of the Consultant Services staff, as well as the performance of the Consultants, culminated in a cover story in *Direct Selling News*, the premier magazine of the Direct Selling Industry. This feature article highlighted the success UBAM has been experiencing in the last two years, as well as the continued quality of product and business opportunity that is offered within our division.



**Heather Cobb**  
Vice President  
UBAM



**Todd R. White**  
Manager  
Educational Services



**Pat Wright**  
Manager  
Consultant Services



**Jeanie Crone**  
Vice President  
EDC Publishing



**Kira Lynn**  
Publisher  
Kane Miller

## EDC Publishing

The EDC Publishing Division posted the best performance in the division's history with an increase of 5% in net revenues in Fiscal 2015 to \$11,532,500. Sales to large national chains increased by 10%, due in large part, to the continuing increased penetration of some of our bestselling series, such as **Sticker Dolly Dressing** and other activity books. EDC Publishing continues to gain an increased share of valuable real estate in the stores, resulting in increased volume due to significant customer exposure to our products.

Outstanding growth continues in the toy and gift markets. In fiscal 2015, these markets represented 68% of the EDC Publishing Division's total net revenues, up from 63% in the prior fiscal year.

The focus in the fiscal year ahead will be to maintain the growth of the national chain sector, and the independent retail sector, with special emphasis on the continuing growth of the toy and gift markets. EDC maintains a continued presence at prominent national trade shows such as Toy Fair, New York Now, San Francisco Gift Show, Los Angeles Gift Show, Atlanta Gift Show, Las Vegas Gift Show, ASTRA and the Museum Store Association Show. EDC Publishing will continue to maintain the marketing efforts that have proven successful in the past, in all areas of our business.



## STOCK PRICES AND DIVIDENDS PAID

Fiscal Year	Stock Prices		Cash Dividend Paid
	High	Low	
2015	\$ 5.80	\$ 3.57	\$ 0.32
2014	\$ 3.95	\$ 2.49	\$ 0.32
2013	\$ 5.00	\$ 3.79	\$ 0.44
2012	\$ 6.90	\$ 3.80	\$ 0.48
2011	\$ 7.00	\$ 5.15	\$ 0.54

## Operations

Headquartered in Tulsa, Oklahoma, the EDC corporate office and adjacent 100,000 square foot warehouse provide for a streamlined operational and management workflow. The warehouse's six hundred foot long flow-rack system expedites order fulfillment and delivery, with over 95% of orders receiving same-day turnaround.



**Craig M. White**  
Vice President  
Information Technology



**Marilyn Pinney**  
Controller & Corporate  
Secretary



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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 10-K**

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(Mark One)

**ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the fiscal year ended **February 28, 2015**

**OR**

**TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the transition period from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

Commission file number: 0-4957

**EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

**73-0750007**

(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**10302 East 55th Place, Tulsa, Oklahoma**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**74146-6515**

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code **(918) 622-4522**

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: **None**

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

**Common Stock, \$.20 par value**

(Title of class)

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

Yes

No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act.

Yes

No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes

No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§ 229.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files).

Yes

No

Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K. o

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer", "accelerated filer", and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act. (Check one):

Large accelerated filer

Accelerated filer

Non-accelerated filer

Smaller reporting company

(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Indicate by check mark whether the Registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act)

Yes

No

The aggregate market value of the voting shares held by non-affiliates of the registrant at the price at which the common stock was last sold on August 31, 2014, on the NASDAQ Stock Market, LLC was \$19,612,100.

As of May 26, 2015, 4,035,134 shares of common stock were outstanding.

#### DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Portions of the Proxy Statement for fiscal year 2015 relating to our Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on July 16, 2015 are incorporated by reference into Part III of this Report on Form 10-K.

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## PART I

### FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

*This report contains statements that are forward-looking. You should read the following discussion in connection with our financial statements, including the notes to those statements, included in this document. These forward-looking statements are not historical facts but are expectations or projections based on certain assumptions and analyses made by our senior management in light of their experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions, expected future developments and other factors. Actual events and results may be materially different from anticipated results described in such statements. As used in this Annual Report on Form 10-K, the terms “EDC,” “we,” “our” or “us” mean Educational Development Corporation, a Delaware corporation, unless the context indicates otherwise.*

*Our ability to achieve such results is subject to certain risks and uncertainties which are not currently known to us. We caution you not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date that they are made. We do not undertake any obligation to publicly release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this report.*

#### **Item 1. BUSINESS**

##### *(a) General Development of Business*

Educational Development Corporation (“EDC”) is the exclusive United States trade publisher of the line of educational children’s books produced in the United Kingdom by Usborne Publishing Limited (“Usborne”). We were incorporated on August 23, 1965. Our fiscal years end on February 28.

We also own Kane Miller Book Publishers; award-winning publishers of international children’s books.

Our company motto is “The future of our world depends on the education of our children. EDC delivers educational excellence one book at a time. We provide economic opportunity while fostering strong family values. We touch the lives of children for a lifetime.”

##### *(b) Financial Information about Industry Segments*

While selling children’s books is our only line of business, we sell them through two divisions:

- Home Business Division (“Usborne Books & More” or “UBAM”) - This division distributes books nationwide through independent consultants, who hold book showings in individual homes, through social media, book fairs, direct sales and Internet sales. The UBAM consultants also distribute these titles to school and public libraries.
- Publishing Division (“EDC Publishing”) – This division markets books to bookstores (including major national chains), toy stores, specialty stores, museums and other retail outlets throughout the country.

##### Percent Net Revenues by Division

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
UBAM	65%	58%
Publishing	35%	42%
Total net revenues	100%	100%

##### *(c) Narrative Description of Business*

###### *Products*

As the sole United States trade publisher of the Usborne line of books, we offer over 1,500 different titles. Many are interactive in nature, including our Touchy-Feely board books, activity and flashcards, adventure and search books, art books, sticker books and foreign language books. The majority of the titles published by Kane Miller Book Publishers originally were published in other countries in their native languages.

We have a broad line of 'internet-linked' books which allow readers to expand their educational experience by referring them to relevant non-Usborne websites. Our books include science and math titles, as well as chapter books and novels. We continually introduce new titles across all lines of our products.

UBAM markets the books through commissioned consultants using a combination of direct sales, home parties, book fairs and the Internet. The division had approximately 7,800 consultants in 50 states at February 28, 2015.

EDC Publishing markets through commissioned trade representatives who call on book, toy, and specialty stores along with other retail outlets. We also do in-house marketing by telephone to these customers and potential customers. This division markets to approximately 5,000 book, toy and specialty stores. Significant orders, totaling 26% of the Publishing division's net sales, have been received from major book chains.

#### *Key Customers*

No customer represents more than 10% of our net sales.

#### *Seasonality*

Sales for both divisions are greatest during the fall due to the holiday season.

#### *Competition*

While we have the exclusive U.S. rights to sell Usborne Books, we face competition for UBAM from several other larger direct selling companies - for sales and consultants. Our school and library market faces competition from Scholastic Books for the book fair market.

EDC Publishing faces competition from large U.S. and international publishing companies.

#### *Employees*

As of April 1, 2015, 83 full-time employees worked at our Tulsa and San Diego facilities; almost 50% of those are in the distribution warehouse. We believe our relations with our employees are good.

#### *Company Reports*

Our annual and quarterly reports (Forms 10-K and 10-Q), current Form 8-K reports and amendments to those reports filed with the SEC are available for download from the Investor Relations portion of our Internet website at [www.edcpub.com](http://www.edcpub.com).

**Item 1A. RISK FACTORS**

We are a smaller reporting company and are not required to provide this information.

**Item 1B. UNRESOLVED STAFF COMMENTS**

None

**Item 2. PROPERTIES**

We are located at 10302 E. 55th Pl., Tulsa, Oklahoma. This facility is owned by us and contains approximately 105,000 square feet of office and warehouse space, which is solely utilized by us. All product distributions are made from this warehouse using our six-hundred-foot-long flow-rack system, known as “the line,” to expedite order fulfillment, packaging, and shipment. We believe that our operating facility meets both present and future capacity needs. We also lease a small office in San Diego, California which houses Kane Miller Book Publishers.

**Item 3. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS**

We are not a party to any material pending legal proceedings.

**Item 4. MINE SAFETY DISCLOSURES**

None

## PART II

### Item 5. MARKET FOR REGISTRANT'S COMMON EQUITY, RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS AND ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

The common stock of EDC is traded on NASDAQ (symbol--EDUC). The high and low quarterly common stock quotations for fiscal years 2015 and 2014, as reported by the NASDAQ, were as follows:

Period	2015		2014	
	High	Low	High	Low
1st Qtr	3.92	3.57	3.95	3.45
2nd Qtr	4.95	3.71	3.58	3.04
3rd Qtr	4.88	4.04	3.11	2.49
4th Qtr	5.80	4.12	3.89	2.89

The number of shareholders of record of EDC's common stock at February 28, 2015 was 590.

During fiscal year 2015, we paid quarterly dividends totaling \$0.32 per share as follows: \$0.08 per share dividend on March 21, 2014, \$0.08 per share dividend on June 20, 2014, \$0.08 per share dividend on September 19, 2014, and \$0.08 per share dividend on December 19, 2014. An additional \$0.08 per share dividend was declared on February 25, 2015 and was paid during fiscal year 2016 to shareholders of record on March 13, 2015.

The following table shows repurchases of our common stock which we made during the fourth quarter of fiscal year 2015.

#### ISSUER PURCHASES OF EQUITY SECURITIES

Period	Total # of Shares Purchased	Average Price Paid per Share	Total # of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plan (1)	Maximum # of Shares that May be Repurchased under the Plan
December 1 - 31, 2014	9	\$ 4.87	9	303,315
January 1 - 31, 2015	-	-	-	303,315
February 1 - 28, 2015	-	-	-	303,315
Total	<u>9</u>	<u>\$ 4.87</u>	<u>9</u>	

- (1) In April 2008 the Board of Directors authorized us to purchase up to 500,000 additional shares of our common stock under a plan initiated in 1998. This plan has no expiration date.

### Item 6. SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA

We are a smaller reporting company and are not required to provide this information.

**Item 7. MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION AND RESULTS OF OPERATIONS**

*Management's discussion and analysis contains statements that are forward-looking and include numerous risks which you should carefully consider. Additional risks and uncertainties may also materially and adversely affect our business. You should read the following discussion in connection with our financial statements, including the notes to those statements, included in this document. Our fiscal years end on February 28.*

**Management Summary**

Educational Development Corporation is the sole distributor in the United States of the Usborne line of children's books and is the owner of Kane Miller Book Publishers. We operate two separate divisions, EDC Publishing and Usborne Books & More ("UBAM"), to sell these books. Our corporate headquarters, including the distribution facility for both divisions, is located in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

These two divisions each have their own customer base. EDC Publishing markets its products on a wholesale basis to various retail accounts. UBAM markets its products to individual consumers as well as to school and public libraries through direct-selling consultants.

**Publishing Division**

EDC Publishing operates in a market that is highly competitive, with a large number of companies engaged in the selling of books. The Publishing division's customer base includes national book chains, regional and local bookstores, toy and gift stores, school supply stores and museums. To reach these markets, the Publishing division utilizes a combination of commissioned sales representatives located throughout the country and a commissioned inside sales group located in our headquarters. The Vice President of the Publishing division manages sales to the national chain customers.

Publishing Division Net Revenues by Market Type

	<u>FY 2015</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>
National chain stores	26%	26%
All other	74%	74%
Total net revenues	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

EDC Publishing uses a variety of methods to attract potential new customers and maintain current customers. Company personnel attend many of the national trade shows held by the book selling industry each year, allowing us to make contact with potential buyers who may be unfamiliar with our books. We actively target the national chains through joint promotional efforts and institutional advertising in trade publications. The Publishing division also participates with certain customers in a cooperative advertising allowance program, under which we pay back up to 2% of the net sales to that customer. Our products are then featured in promotions, such as catalogs, offered by the vendor. We may also acquire, for a fee, an end cap position in a bookstore (our products are placed on the end of a shelf), which in the publishing industry is considered an advantageous location in the bookstore.

EDC Publishing's in-house telesales group targets the smaller independent book and gift store market. Our semi-annual, full-color, 160-page catalogs, are mailed to over 5,000 customers and potential customers. We also offer two display racks to assist stores in displaying our products.

Net Revenues for Publishing Division

	<u>FY 2015</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>
Net Revenues	<u>\$ 11,532,500</u>	<u>\$ 10,968,400</u>

Publishing division's net revenues increased \$564,100 in fiscal year 2015 from fiscal year 2014, or 5.1%. Net revenues were up 5.5% for smaller retail stores and 4.2% for national chain stores.



## Usborne Books & More (“UBAM”) Division

UBAM is a multi-level direct selling organization that markets its products through independent sales representatives (“consultants”) located throughout the United States. The customer base of UBAM consists of individual purchasers, as well as school and public libraries. Revenues are generated through home shows, direct sales, Internet sales, book fairs and contracts with school and public libraries. This past fiscal year included a shift toward online home shows via social media outlets, such as Facebook.

An important factor in the continued growth of the UBAM division is the addition of new sales consultants and the retention of existing consultants. Current active consultants recruit new sales consultants. UBAM makes it easy to recruit by providing signing kits for which new consultants can earn partial or full reimbursement based on established sales criteria. UBAM provides an extensive handbook that is a valuable tool in explaining the various programs to the new recruit.

### Consultants During Year

	<u>FY 2015</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>
New Sales Representatives	6,500	4,000
Active Sales Representatives End of Fiscal Year	7,800	5,900

The UBAM division presently has six levels of sales representatives:

- Consultants
- Team Leaders
- Senior Team Leaders
- Executive Team Leaders
- Senior Executive Team Leaders
- Directors

Upon signing up, each individual is considered a consultant. Consultants receive commissions from each sale they make; the commission rate being determined by the marketing program under which the sale is made. In addition, consultants receive a monthly sales bonus once their sales reach an established monthly goal. Consultants who recruit other consultants and meet certain established criteria are eligible to become team leaders. Upon reaching this level, they receive monthly override payments based upon the sales of their downline groups.

Once team leaders reach certain established criteria, they become senior team leaders and are eligible to earn promotion bonuses on their consultants. Once senior team leaders reach certain established criteria, they become executive team leaders, senior executive team leaders or directors. Executive team leaders and higher may receive an additional monthly override payment based upon the sales of their downline groups.

During fiscal year 2015, a shift occurred in our home party sales model from our traditional, in-person home parties. With the increased use of social media, online venues such as Facebook, have become a popular outlet for these events. This allows customers to ‘attend’ online from any location. While we had marked growth in both home party net revenues, after commissions, and in Internet net revenues, after commissions, this shift is most evident in the proportion of Internet and home show orders to the total net revenues, after commissions.

Net Revenues, after Commissions, for UBAM Division

	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>
Net Revenues	\$ 21,015,800	\$ 15,128,600
Less commissions	(6,491,500)	(4,621,700)
Net Revenues, after commissions	<u>\$ 14,524,300</u>	<u>\$ 10,506,900</u>

Percent of Net Revenues, after Commissions, by UBAM Marketing Program

	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>
School & Library	41%	43%
Home Shows	24%	28%
Internet	23%	15%
Fund Raisers	2%	3%
Direct Sales	1%	2%
Transportation Revenues	9%	9%
Totals	<u>100%</u>	<u>100%</u>

Number of Orders by UBAM Marketing Program

	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>
School & Library	14,000	11,000
Home Shows	27,500	18,300
Internet	91,700	43,200
Fund Raisers	1,000	1,000
Direct Sales	2,700	2,800
	<u>136,900</u>	<u>76,300</u>

This increase in net revenues, after commissions, resulted from increases in the following:

- 131% in internet sales
- 41% in school and library sales
- 29% in home party sales
- 26% in direct sales
- 21% in fundraiser sales

The increase in net revenues, after commissions, is also attributed to a 32% increase in the number of active consultants (defined as those with sales during the past six months) at the end of fiscal year 2015.

The increase in Internet sales, after commissions, is attributed to 112% more orders placed during the period, with an 8% increase in average order size. Customers order via the consultants’ UBAM-hosted web sites, which have been customized to their own preferences. Orders are processed through a shopping cart and the consultant receives sales credit and commission on the sales. Much of the increase in Internet sales resulted from the use of social media to host virtual parties, frequently referred to as “Facebook Parties.”

The school and library marketing program increase is attributed to a 27% increase in the number of orders whose average size increased by 11% over the prior fiscal year. Much of this change is a result of the increase in the number of sales consultants.

School and library sales are made by consultants who have received additional, specialized training which allows them to sell to schools and libraries. The UBAM consultant is the only source that a library or school has for most of our titles. They are not available through school supply distribution companies.

This program includes book fairs which are held with an organization as the sponsor. The consultant provides promotional materials to acquaint parents with the books. Parents turn in their orders at a designated time. The book fair program generates free books for the sponsoring organization. UBAM also has a *Reach for the Stars* fundraiser program. This is a pledge-based reading incentive program that provides cash and books to the sponsoring organization and books for the children.

The increase in home party sales, after commissions, is attributed to a 50% increase in the total number of orders, offset by a 14% decrease in average order size. Much of this change is a result of the increase in the number of sales consultants and the transition to smaller, online parties. Consultants contact individuals (“hostesses”) to hold book shows in their homes or via social media. The consultant assists the hostess in setting up the details for the show and makes a presentation at the show and takes orders for the books. The hostess earns free books based upon the total sales at the show. Customer specials are available for customers when they order a selected amount. Additionally, home shows provide an excellent opportunity for recruiting new consultants.

Net revenues, after commissions, from direct sales increased 26% during fiscal year 2015. This resulted from a 28% increase in the average order size, offset by a slight, 1% decrease in the number of orders placed during the year. Direct sales are sales without a hostess being involved.

Our fund-raising program, Cards for a Cause, increased 21% in sales, after commissions, over the prior year. This resulted from a 20% increase in average order size and a 1% increase in the number of orders placed during the year. Organizations sell variety boxes of greeting-type cards and keep a portion of the proceeds to help support themselves and their related causes.

Transportation revenues increased 57% during fiscal year 2015. Transportation revenues are based on sales order size, with minimums per order depending on order type. During the fiscal year 2015, the standard minimum was increased 20% to adjust for increased transportation expenses.

The cost of free books provided under the various UBAM marketing programs is recorded as operating and selling expense in the statements of earnings.

## **(1-2) Liquidity and Capital Resources**

EDC has a history of profitability and positive cash flow. Typically, our primary source of cash is generated from our operations. Outside of cash used in operating activities, generally our primary uses of cash are to pay down our outstanding bank credit facility loan balance, to pay dividends, capital expenditures, and to acquire treasury stock. During fiscal year 2015, we utilized our bank credit facility to meet some cash requirements. At fiscal year end, our bank credit facility loan balance was \$1,400,000.

We expect our ongoing cash flow to exceed cash required to operate the business. As such, we expect our short-term borrowings to be limited during fiscal year 2016.

During fiscal year 2015, we experienced a negative cash flow from our operations of \$261,600. Cash outflow resulted from an increase in accounts receivable of \$1,356,900, an increase in inventories of \$1,192,200, an \$88,000 increase in prepaid expenses and other assets, and a \$77,300 decrease in net income tax payable, offset by net earnings of \$859,200, the provision for doubtful accounts and sales returns of \$1,281,000, an increase in current liabilities of \$182,500, depreciation expense of \$129,400, and a decrease in deferred income taxes of \$700.

Cash used in investing activities was \$325,000 for capital expenditures. We began the process to implement new accounting software and a new system for the UBAM division's processes, with an initial \$210,700 investment during fiscal year 2015. These systems will be fully operational during fiscal year 2016 and will allow us to accommodate the growth in our UBAM sales force, while utilizing industry best practices and improving online training resources. We also invested \$108,000 in our facilities to repair our parking lot and update the office spaces.

Cash provided by financing activities was \$290,500 which was primarily due to \$4,550,000 in borrowings under our revolving credit agreement and \$174,400 from the sale of treasury stock. These were offset by payments of \$3,150,000 towards our revolving credit agreement, dividend payments of \$1,278,700, and \$5,200 paid to acquire treasury stock. In September 2002, the Board of Directors authorized a minimum annual cash dividend of 20% of net earnings. In fiscal years 2015 and 2014, we declared dividends equal to 149% and 356%, respectively, of net income after taxes.

Our Board of Directors adopted a stock repurchase plan in which we may purchase up to an additional 500,000 shares as market conditions warrant. Management believes the stock is undervalued and when stock becomes available at an attractive price, we can utilize free cash flow to repurchase shares. Management believes this enhances the value to the remaining stockholders and that these repurchases will have no adverse effect on our short-term and long-term liquidity.

### (3) Results of Operations

#### Earnings as a Percent of Net Revenues

	<u>FY 2015</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>
Net revenues	100.0%	100.0%
Cost of sales	39.2%	40.3%
Gross margin	60.8%	59.7%
Operating expenses:		
Operating and selling	29.2%	27.8%
Sales commissions	21.0%	18.9%
General and administrative	6.3%	8.1%
Total operating expenses	56.5%	54.8%
Other income (expense)	-%	(1.5%)
Earnings before income taxes	4.3%	3.4%
Income taxes	1.7%	2.0%
Net earnings	<u>2.6%</u>	<u>1.4%</u>

#### *Fiscal Year 2015 Compared with Fiscal Year 2014*

The following presents an overview of our results of operations for years ended February 28, 2015 and 2014. We had earnings before income taxes of \$1,402,500 for fiscal year 2015 compared with \$873,500 for fiscal year 2014.

#### Revenues

	<u>FY 2015</u>	<u>FY 2014</u>	<u>\$ Change</u>
Gross sales	\$ 48,345,400	\$ 40,558,000	\$ 7,787,400
Less discounts & allowances	(17,273,100)	(15,414,200)	(1,858,900)
Transportation revenue	1,476,000	953,200	522,800
Net revenues	<u>\$ 32,548,300</u>	<u>\$ 26,097,000</u>	<u>\$ 6,451,300</u>

UBAM's gross sales increased 36.8% or \$6,484,200 during fiscal year 2015 when compared with fiscal year 2014. This increase is attributable to a 32% increase in the number of independent sales consultants, with resulting increases in all types of sales, including Internet, school and library/book fair, home parties, direct sales, and fund raisers. The overall number of orders was up 79% due to increases in Internet, home show, school and library, and fund raiser orders, offset by a slight decrease in the number of direct sales orders. Average sales per order for this division were down 17%, primarily due to a shift from larger home party orders to multiple individual online orders per Internet-based party.

EDC Publishing's gross sales increased 5.7% or \$1,303,200 during fiscal year 2015 when compared with fiscal year 2014. Sales increased by 5.5% to smaller retail stores and by 4.2% to national chain stores.

UBAM's discounts and allowances were \$4,533,600 in fiscal year 2015 and \$3,414,200 in fiscal year 2014. Most sales by UBAM are at retail. As a part of UBAM's marketing programs, discounts between 40% and 50% of retail are offered on selected items at various times throughout the year. The discounts and allowances in the UBAM division will vary from year to year depending upon the marketing programs in place during any given year. UBAM's discounts and allowances were 18.8% of UBAM's gross sales in fiscal year 2015 and 19.4% in fiscal year 2014.

EDC Publishing's discounts and allowances are a much larger percentage of gross sales than discounts and allowances in the UBAM division due to the different customer markets that each division targets. The Publishing division's discounts and allowances were \$12,739,500 in fiscal year 2015 and \$12,000,000 in fiscal year 2014. To be competitive with other wholesale book distributors, EDC Publishing sells at discounts between 48% and 55% of the retail price, based upon the quantity of books ordered and the dollar amount of the order. EDC Publishing's discounts and allowances were 52.6% of their gross sales in fiscal year 2015 and 52.3% in fiscal year 2014.

Transportation revenues increased \$522,800 in fiscal year 2015, due primarily to the increase in UBAM gross sales during the year and the shift in sales to more, smaller Internet-based orders, which are proportionately more expensive to ship.

Expenses

	<b>FY 2015</b>	<b>FY 2014</b>	<b>\$ Change</b>
Cost of sales	\$ 12,763,900	\$ 10,523,500	\$ 2,240,400
Operating and selling	9,515,400	7,258,500	2,256,900
Sales commissions	6,842,700	4,939,800	1,902,900
General and administrative	2,039,900	2,123,500	(83,600)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 31,161,900</b>	<b>\$ 24,845,300</b>	<b>\$ 6,316,600</b>

Cost of sales increased 21.3% in fiscal year 2015 when compared with fiscal year 2014. Our cost of products is 25% to 28% of the gross sales price, depending upon the product. The percentage change in gross sales to the percentage change in cost of goods, depends largely on the mix of products sold. Approximately 79% of our products come from one vendor, where the cost of the products is a fixed percentage of the retail price. Cost of sales is the inventory cost of product sold (including the cost of the product itself and inbound freight charges), along with royalties accrued for sales of Kane Miller titles for which we have royalty payment contracts. The costs of our distribution network are not included in our cost of sales, but rather in our operating and selling expenses.

Operating and selling expenses include purchasing and receiving, inspection, warehousing, and other costs of our distribution network. These costs totaled \$1,259,500 in fiscal year 2015 and \$1,133,100 in fiscal year 2014. In addition to costs associated with our distribution network (noted above), operating and selling costs include expenses of the Publishing and UBAM divisions, along with the order entry and customer service functions. Operating and selling expenses as a percentage of gross sales were 19.7% for fiscal year 2015 and 17.9% for fiscal year 2014.

Sales commissions for EDC Publishing increased \$33,100 for the fiscal year ended 2015. Sales commissions for this division fluctuate depending upon the amount of sales made to our “house accounts,” which are our largest customers and do not have any commission expense associated with them, and sales made by our outside sales representatives. Publishing division sales commissions are paid on net sales and were 3.0% for fiscal year 2015 and 2.9% for fiscal year 2014.

Sales commissions for UBAM increased \$1,869,800. UBAM division sales commissions are paid based on the retail price of non-promotional products sold and were 26.9% of UBAM gross sales for fiscal year 2015 and 26.2% for fiscal year 2014. The fluctuation in the percentages of commission expense to gross sales is the result of the type of sale. Home shows, book fairs, school and library sales and direct sales have different commission rates. Also contributing to the fluctuations in the percentages is the payment of overrides and bonuses, both dependent on consultants’ monthly sales and downline sales. The increase in sales commissions is the result of higher gross sales in the UBAM division.

General and administrative expenses include the executive department, accounting department, information services department, general office management and building facilities management. General and administrative expenses as a percentage of gross sales were 4.2% for fiscal year 2015 and 5.2% for fiscal year 2014.

The tax provision for fiscal year 2015 was \$543,300. The effective rate for fiscal year 2015 was 38.7% and for fiscal year 2014 was 59.1%. Our effective tax rate is higher than the Federal statutory rate due to state income and franchise taxes and a fully-reserved capital loss carry forward, which we do not reasonably expect to deduct for income tax purposes.

### **Contractual Obligations**

We are a smaller reporting company and are not required to provide this information.

### **Critical Accounting Policies**

*Our discussion and analysis of our financial condition and results of operations are based upon our financial statements, which have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The preparation of these financial statements requires us to make estimates and judgments that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, revenues and expenses, and related disclosures of contingent assets and liabilities. On an on-going basis, we evaluate our estimates, including those related to our valuation of inventory, allowance for uncollectable accounts receivable, allowance for sales returns, long-lived assets and deferred income taxes. We base our estimates on historical experience and on various other assumptions that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances, the results of which form the basis for making judgments about the carrying values of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources.*

*Actual results may materially differ from these estimates under different assumptions or conditions. Historically, however, actual results have not differed materially from those determined using required estimates. Our significant accounting policies are described in the notes accompanying the financial statements included elsewhere in this report. However, we consider the following accounting policies to be more significantly dependent on the use of estimates and assumptions.*

### **Stock-Based Compensation**

We account for stock-based compensation whereby share-based payment transactions with employees, such as stock options and restricted stock, are measured at estimated fair value at date of grant and recognized as compensation expense.

## **Revenue Recognition**

Sales are recognized and recorded when products are shipped. Products are shipped FOB shipping point. UBAM's sales are paid at the time the product is shipped. These sales accounted for 65% and 58% of net revenues in fiscal years 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Estimated allowances for sales returns are recorded as sales are recognized and recorded. Management uses a moving average calculation to estimate the allowance for sales returns. We are not responsible for product damaged in transit. Damaged returns are primarily from the retail stores. The damages occur in the stores, not in shipping to the stores. It is industry practice to accept returns from wholesale customers. Transportation revenue represents the amount billed to the customer for shipping the product and is recorded when the product is shipped. Management has estimated and included a reserve for sales returns of \$100,000 for the years ended February 28, 2015 and 2014.

## **Allowance for Doubtful Accounts**

We maintain an allowance for estimated losses resulting from the inability of our customers to make required payments. An estimate of uncollectible amounts is made by management based upon historical bad debts, current customer receivable balances, age of customer receivable balances, customers' financial conditions and current economic trends. Management has estimated an allowance for doubtful accounts of \$234,500 and \$233,900 as of February 28, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

## **Inventory**

Management continually estimates and calculates the amount of noncurrent inventory. The inventory arises due to occasional purchases of book inventory in quantities in excess of what will be sold within the normal operating cycle due to minimum order requirements of our primary supplier. Noncurrent inventory was estimated by management using the current year turnover ratio by title. All inventory in excess of 2 S years of anticipated sales was classified as noncurrent inventory. Noncurrent inventory balances were \$718,900 and \$824,000 at February 28, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Inventories are presented net of a valuation allowance. Management has estimated and included a valuation allowance for both current and noncurrent inventory. This allowance is based on management's identification of slow moving inventory on hand. Management has estimated a valuation allowance for both current and noncurrent inventory of \$393,100 and \$378,800 as of February 28, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

Our product line contains approximately 1,500 titles, each with different rates of sale, depending upon the nature and popularity of the title. Almost all of our product line is saleable as the books are not topical in nature and remain current in content today as well as in the future. Most of our products are printed in Europe, China, Singapore, India, Malaysia and Dubai resulting in a three to four-month lead-time to have a title reprinted and delivered to us.

Our principal supplier, based in England, generally requires a minimum reorder of 6,500 or more of a title in order to get a solo print run. Smaller orders would require a shared print run with the supplier's other customers, which can result in more lengthy delays to receive the ordered title. Anticipating customer preferences and purchasing habits requires historical analysis of similar titles in the same series. We then place the initial order or re-order based upon this analysis.

These factors and historical analysis have led Management to determine that 2 S years represents a reasonable estimate of the normal operating cycle for our products.

## **New Accounting Pronouncements**

The Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) periodically issues new accounting standards in a continuing effort to improve standards of financial accounting and reporting. We have reviewed the recently issued pronouncements and concluded that the following recently issued accounting standards apply to us.

In April 2014, FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2014-08 “Reporting Discontinued Operations and Disclosures of Disposals of Components of an Entity,” which changes the criteria for determining which disposals can be presented as discontinued operations and modifies related disclosure requirements. Under the new guidance, a discontinued operation is defined as a component or group of components that is disposed of or is classified as held for sale and represents a strategic shift that has or will have a major effect on an entity’s operations and financial results. The change is effective for fiscal years, and interim reporting periods within those years, beginning on or after December 15, 2014, which means the first quarter of our fiscal year 2016, with early adoption permitted. The ASU applies prospectively to new disposals and new classifications of disposal groups as held for sale after the effective date. This new ASU will not affect our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In May 2014, FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09 “Revenue from Contracts with Customers,” which provides a single revenue recognition model which is intended to improve comparability over a range of industries, companies and geographical boundaries and will also result in enhanced disclosures. The changes are effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2016, which means the first quarter of our fiscal year 2018. We are currently reviewing the ASU and assessing the potential impact on our financial statements.

### **Item 7A. QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE DISCLOSURES ABOUT MARKET RISK**

We are a smaller reporting company and are not required to provide this information.

### **Item 8. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SUPPLEMENTARY DATA**

The information required by this Item 8 begins at page 23.

### **Item 9. CHANGES IN AND DISAGREEMENTS WITH ACCOUNTANTS ON ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE**

None

### **Item 9A. CONTROLS AND PROCEDURES**

An evaluation was performed of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures pursuant to Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e) as of February 28, 2015. This evaluation was conducted under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our Chief Executive Officer and our Controller/Corporate Secretary (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer).

Based on that evaluation, these officers concluded that our disclosure controls and procedures were effective to ensure that information required to be disclosed in reports that we file or submit under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 is accumulated and communicated to them, as appropriate, to allow timely decisions regarding required disclosure and is recorded, processed, summarized and reported in accordance within the time periods specified in Securities and Exchange Commission rules and forms. It should be noted that the design of any system of controls is based in part upon certain assumptions about the likelihood of future events.

During the fourth fiscal quarter of the fiscal year covered by this report on Form 10-K, there have been no changes in our internal control over financial reporting that have materially affected or are reasonably likely to materially affect, our internal control over financial reporting.



## MANAGEMENT'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING

Our management is responsible for establishing and maintaining adequate internal control over financial reporting, as such term is defined in Rule 13a-15(f) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"). Under the supervision and with the participation of our management, including our President and our Controller, we evaluated the effectiveness of our internal control over financial reporting based on the framework in INTERNAL CONTROL-INTEGRATED FRAMEWORK issued by the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission in 1992. All internal control systems, no matter how well designed, have inherent limitations. Therefore, even those systems determined to be effective can provide only reasonable assurance with respect to financial statement preparation and presentation. Projections of any evaluation of effectiveness to future periods are subject to the risk that controls may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or that the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate. Based on our evaluation under that framework and applicable SEC rules, our management concluded that our internal control over financial reporting was effective as of February 28, 2015.

This annual report does not include an attestation report of our registered public accounting firm regarding internal control over financial reporting. Management's report was not subject to attestation by our registered public accounting firm pursuant to rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission that permit us to provide only management's report in this annual report.

### **Item 9B. OTHER INFORMATION**

None

### **PART III**

#### **Item 10. DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE OFFICERS OF THE REGISTRANT**

(a) Identification of Directors

The information required by this Item 10 is furnished by incorporation by reference to the information under the caption "Election of Directors" in our definitive Proxy Statement to be filed in connection with the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on July 16, 2015.

(b) Identification of Executive Officers

Information regarding our executive officers required by Item 401 of Regulation S-K is presented in Item 1 hereof under the subcaption "Executive Officers" as permitted by General Instruction G (3) to Form 10-K and Instruction 3 to Item 401(b) of Regulation S-K.

(c) Compliance with Section 16 (a) of the Exchange Act

The information required by this Item 10 is furnished by incorporation by reference to the information under the caption "Section 16 (a) Beneficial Ownership Reporting Compliance" in our definitive Proxy Statement to be filed in connection with the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on July 16, 2015.

#### **Item 11. EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

The information required by this Item 11 is furnished by incorporation by reference to the information under the caption "Executive Compensation" in our definitive Proxy Statement to be filed in connection with the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on July 16, 2015.

#### **Item 12. SECURITY OWNERSHIP OF CERTAIN BENEFICIAL OWNERS AND MANAGEMENT AND RELATED STOCKHOLDER MATTERS**

The information required by this Item 12 is furnished by incorporation by reference to the information under the captions "Security Ownership of Certain Beneficial Owners and Management" and "Compensation Plans" in our definitive Proxy Statement to be filed in connection with the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on July 16, 2015.

#### **Item 13. CERTAIN RELATIONSHIPS AND RELATED TRANSACTIONS**

None

#### **Item 14. PRINCIPAL ACCOUNTANT'S FEES AND SERVICES**

The information required by this Item 14 is furnished by incorporation by reference to the information under the caption "Independent Registered Public Accountants" in our definitive Proxy Statement to be filed in connection with the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on July 16, 2015.

**PART IV**

**Item 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES**

(a) The following documents are filed as part of this report:

1. Financial Statements

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Schedules have been omitted as such information is either not required or is included in the financial statements.

2. Exhibits

- 3.1 Restated Certificate of Incorporation dated April 26, 1968 and Certificate of Amendment thereto dated June 21, 1968 are incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 1 to Registration Statement on Form 10-K (File No. 0-4957).
- 3.2 Certificate of Amendment of Restated Certificate of Incorporation dated August 27, 1977 is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 20.1 to Form 10-K for fiscal year ended February 28, 1981 (File No. 0-4957).
- 3.3 By-Laws, as amended, are incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 20.2. to Form 10-K for fiscal year ended February 28, 1981 (File No. 0-4957).

- 3.4 Certificate of Amendment of Restated Certificate of Incorporation dated November 17, 1986 is incorporated herein by reference to exhibit 3.3 to Form 10-K for fiscal year ended February 28, 1987 (File No. 0-4957).
- 3.5 Certificate of Amendment of Restated Certificate of Incorporation dated March 22, 1996 is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 3.4 to Form 10-K for fiscal year ended February 28, 1997 (File No. 0-4957).
- 3.6 Certificate of Amendment of Restated Certificate of Incorporation dated July 15, 2002 is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.30 to Form 10-K dated February 28, 2003 (File No. 0-4957).
- 4.1 Specimens of Common Stock Certificates are incorporated herein by reference to Exhibits 3.1 and 3.2 to Registration Statement on Form 10-K (File No. 0-4957) filed June 29, 1970.
- 10.1 Usborne Agreement-Contractual agreement by and between the Company and Usborne Publishing Limited dated November 25, 1988 is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.12 to Form 10-K dated February 28, 1989 (File No. 0-4957).
- 10.2 Party Plan-Contractual agreement by and between the Company and Usborne Publishing Limited dated March 14, 1989 is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to Form 10-K dated February 28, 1989 (File No. 0-4957).
- 10.3 Amendment dated January 1, 1992 to Usborne Agreement - Contractual agreement by and between the Company and Usborne Publishing Limited is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.13 to Form 10-K dated February 29, 1992 (File No. 0-4957).
- 10.4 Educational Development Corporation 1992 Incentive Stock Option Plan is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 4(c) to Registration Statement on Form S-8 (File No. 33-60188).
- 10.5 Restated Loan Agreement dated June 30, 1999 between the Company and State Bank & Trust, N.A., Tulsa, OK, is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.24 to Form 10-K dated February 29, 2000 (File No. 0-4957).
- 10.6 Educational Development Corporation 2002 Incentive Stock Option Plan is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit A to definitive proxy statement on Schedule 14A dated May 23, 2002 (File No. 0-4957).
- 10.7 Amendment dated November 12, 2002 to Usborne Agreement – Contractual agreement by and between we and Usborne Publishing Limited is incorporated herein by reference to Exhibit 10.24 to Form 10-K dated February 28, 2003 (File No. 0-4957).
- 10.8 Employment Agreement between Randall W. White and the Company dated February 28, 2004.
- 10.9 Eleventh Amendment dated June 30, 2009 to Restated Loan Agreement between the Company and Arvest Bank, Tulsa, OK.
- 10.10 Twelfth Amendment dated June 30, 2010 to Restated Loan Agreement between the Company and Arvest Bank, Tulsa, OK.
- 10.11 Thirteenth Amendment dated June 30, 2011 to Restated Loan Agreement between the Company and Arvest Bank, Tulsa, OK.

- 10.12 Fourteenth Amendment dated June 30, 2012 to Restated Loan Agreement between the Company and Arvest Bank, Tulsa, OK.
- 10.13 Fifteenth Amendment dated June 30, 2013 to Restated Loan Agreement between the Company and Arvest Bank, Tulsa, OK.
- 10.14 Sixteenth Amendment dated June 30, 2014 to Restated Loan Agreement between the Company and Arvest Bank, Tulsa, OK.
- 10.15 Seventeenth Amendment dated September 19, 2014 to Restated Loan Agreement between the Company and Arvest Bank, Tulsa, OK.
- \*23.1 Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm.
- \*31.1 Certification of the Chief Executive Officer of Educational Development Corporation pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- \*31.2 Certification of the Controller and Corporate Secretary (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer) of Educational Development Corporation pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.
- \*32.1 Certification pursuant to 18 U.S.C Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

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\*Filed Herewith

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

**EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

Date: May 28, 2015 By /s/ Marilyn Pinney  
Marilyn Pinney  
Controller and Corporate Secretary  
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the registrant and in the capacities and on the date indicated.

Date: May 28, 2015 /s/ Randall W. White  
Randall W. White  
Chairman of the Board  
President, Treasurer and  
Director

May 28, 2015 /s/ John A. Clerico  
John A. Clerico, Director

May 28, 2015 /s/ Ronald McDaniel  
Ronald McDaniel, Director

May 28, 2015 /s/ Kara Gae Neal  
Kara Gae Neal, Director

May 28, 2015 /s/ Betsy Rickert  
Betsy Rickert, Director

May 28, 2015 /s/ Marilyn Pinney  
Marilyn Pinney  
Controller and Corporate Secretary  
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

## REPORT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

To the Board of Directors and Shareholders  
Educational Development Corporation

We have audited the accompanying balance sheets of Educational Development Corporation as of February 28, 2015 and 2014, and the related statements of earnings, shareholders' equity and cash flows for the years then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with the standards of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board (United States). Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. The Company is not required to have, nor were we engaged to perform, an audit of its internal control over financial reporting. Our audits included consideration of internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements, assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Educational Development Corporation as of February 28, 2015 and 2014, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the years then ended, in conformity with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles.

/s/ HOGANTAYLOR LLP  
Tulsa, Oklahoma  
May 28, 2015

**EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
**BALANCE SHEETS**  
**AS OF FEBRUARY 28,**

<b>ASSETS</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS:</b>		
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 383,900	\$ 680,000
Accounts receivable, less allowance for doubtful accounts and sales returns \$334,500 (2015) and \$333,900 (2014)	3,076,700	3,000,800
Inventories—Net	11,181,000	9,869,400
Prepaid expenses and other assets	374,200	262,200
Deferred income taxes	249,800	259,300
Total current assets	<u>15,265,600</u>	<u>14,071,700</u>
INVENTORIES—Net	350,800	470,200
PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT—Net	2,073,200	1,877,600
OTHER ASSETS	243,400	267,400
DEFERRED INCOME TAXES	<u>80,200</u>	<u>71,400</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b><u>\$ 18,013,200</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 16,758,300</u></b>
<b>LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>		
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES:</b>		
Accounts payable	\$ 2,237,700	\$ 2,543,700
Line of credit	1,400,000	-
Accrued salaries and commissions	618,100	514,900
Income taxes payable	63,600	140,900
Dividends payable	322,000	318,200
Other current liabilities	<u>1,043,500</u>	<u>658,200</u>
Total current liabilities	5,684,900	4,175,900
COMMITMENTS (Note 7)		
<b>SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY:</b>		
Common stock, \$0.20 par value; Authorized 8,000,000 shares; Issued 6,041,040 shares; Outstanding 4,024,539 (2015) and 3,977,943 (2014) shares	1,208,200	1,208,200
Capital in excess of par value	8,548,000	8,548,000
Retained earnings	<u>13,857,200</u>	<u>14,280,500</u>
	23,613,400	24,036,700
Less treasury stock, at cost	<u>(11,285,100)</u>	<u>(11,454,300)</u>
Total shareholders' equity	12,328,300	12,582,400
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY</b>	<b><u>\$ 18,013,200</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 16,758,300</u></b>

See notes to financial statements.



**EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
**STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS**  
**FOR THE YEARS ENDED FEBRUARY 28,**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
<b>GROSS SALES</b>	\$ 48,345,400	\$ 40,558,000
Less discounts and allowances	(17,273,100)	(15,414,200)
Transportation revenue	1,476,000	953,200
<b>NET REVENUES</b>	<u>32,548,300</u>	<u>26,097,000</u>
<b>COST OF SALES</b>	<u>12,763,900</u>	<u>10,523,500</u>
Gross margin	<u>19,784,400</u>	<u>15,573,500</u>
<b>OPERATING EXPENSES:</b>		
Operating and selling	9,515,400	7,258,500
Sales commissions	6,842,700	4,939,800
General and administrative	2,039,900	2,123,500
Total operating expenses	<u>18,398,000</u>	<u>14,321,800</u>
<b>OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)</b>	<u>16,100</u>	<u>(378,200)</u>
<b>EARNINGS BEFORE INCOME TAXES</b>	1,402,500	873,500
<b>INCOME TAXES</b>	543,300	515,900
<b>NET EARNINGS</b>	<u>\$ 859,200</u>	<u>\$ 357,600</u>
<b>BASIC AND DILUTED EARNINGS</b>		
<b>PER SHARE:</b>		
Basic and diluted	<u>\$ 0.21</u>	<u>\$ 0.09</u>
<b>WEIGHTED AVERAGE NUMBER OF</b>		
<b>COMMON AND EQUIVALENT SHARES OUTSTANDING:</b>		
Basic and diluted	<u>4,003,702</u>	<u>3,968,214</u>
Dividends per share	<u>\$ 0.32</u>	<u>\$ 0.32</u>

See notes to financial statements.

**EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
**STATEMENTS OF SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY**  
**FOR THE YEARS ENDED FEBRUARY 28,**

	<b>Common Stock</b> <b>(par value \$0.20 per</b> <b>share)</b>		<b>Capital in</b>	<b>Retained</b> <b>Earnings</b>	<b>Treasury Stock</b>		<b>Sharehold</b> <b>ers'</b> <b>Equity</b>	
	<b>Number of</b>				<b>Excess of</b> <b>Par Value</b>	<b>Number of</b>		<b>Amount</b>
	<b>Shares</b> <b>Issued</b>	<b>Amount</b>						
BALANCE—March 1, 2013	6,041,040	\$ 1,208,200	\$ 8,548,000	\$ 15,194,700	2,080,228	\$ (11,499,100)	\$ 13,451,800	
Purchases of treasury stock	-	-	-	-	43,349	(129,200)	(129,200)	
Sales of treasury stock	-	-	-	-	(60,480)	174,000	174,000	
Dividends declared (\$0.08/share)	-	-	-	(318,200)	-	-	(318,200)	
Dividends paid (\$0.24/share)	-	-	-	(953,600)	-	-	(953,600)	
Net earnings	-	-	-	357,600	-	-	357,600	
BALANCE—February 28, 2014	6,041,040	\$ 1,208,200	\$ 8,548,000	\$ 14,280,500	2,063,097	\$ (11,454,300)	\$ 12,582,400	
Purchases of treasury stock	-	-	-	-	1,339	(5,200)	(5,200)	
Sales of treasury stock	-	-	-	-	(47,935)	174,400	174,400	
Dividends declared (\$0.08/share)	-	-	-	(322,000)	-	-	(322,000)	
Dividends paid (\$0.24/share)	-	-	-	(960,500)	-	-	(960,500)	
Net earnings	-	-	-	859,200	-	-	859,200	
BALANCE—February 28, 2015	6,041,040	\$ 1,208,200	\$ 8,548,000	\$ 13,857,200	2,016,501	\$ (11,285,100)	\$ 12,328,300	

See notes to financial statements.

**EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
**STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEARS ENDED FEBRUARY 28,**

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Net earnings	\$ 859,200	\$ 357,600
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Impairment of investment in nonmarketable equity securities	-	430,300
Depreciation	129,400	115,400
Deferred income taxes	700	127,600
Provision for doubtful accounts and sales returns	1,281,000	978,000
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	(1,356,900)	(559,700)
Inventories, net	(1,192,200)	(55,900)
Prepaid expenses and other assets	(88,000)	165,900
Accounts payable, accrued salaries and commissions, and other current liabilities	182,500	835,700
Income tax payable/receivable	(77,300)	370,200
Total adjustments	<u>(1,120,800)</u>	<u>2,407,500</u>
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	<u>(261,600)</u>	<u>2,765,100</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Purchases of property, plant and equipment	(325,000)	(77,500)
Net cash used in investing activities	<u>(325,000)</u>	<u>(77,500)</u>
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:</b>		
Cash received from sale of treasury stock	174,400	174,000
Cash paid to acquire treasury stock	(5,200)	(129,200)
Borrowings under revolving credit agreement	4,550,000	1,250,000
Payments under revolving credit agreement	(3,150,000)	(2,500,000)
Dividends paid	(1,278,700)	(1,271,500)
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities	<u>290,500</u>	<u>(2,476,700)</u>
<b>NET INCREASE (DECREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS</b>	<u>(296,100)</u>	<u>210,900</u>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS—BEGINNING OF YEAR</b>	<u>680,000</u>	<u>469,100</u>
<b>CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS—END OF YEAR</b>	<u>\$ 383,900</u>	<u>\$ 680,000</u>
<b>SUPPLEMENTAL DISCLOSURE OF CASH FLOW INFORMATION:</b>		
Cash paid for interest	<u>\$ 54,000</u>	<u>\$ 34,500</u>
Cash paid for income taxes	<u>\$ 619,900</u>	<u>\$ 11,000</u>

See notes to financial statements.

**EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**YEARS ENDED FEBRUARY 28, 2015 AND 2014**

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**1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Nature of Business**—Educational Development Corporation (“we”, “our”, “us”, or “the Company”) distributes books and publications through our EDC Publishing and Usborne Books & More (“UBAM”) divisions to book, toy and gift stores, libraries and home educators located throughout the United States (“U.S.”). We are the sole U.S. distributor of books and related items, which are published by an England-based publishing company, Usborne, our primary supplier. We are also in the direct publishing market through our ownership of Kane Miller Book Publishers.

**Estimates**—Our financial statements were prepared in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, which requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

**Business Concentration**—A significant portion of our inventory purchases are concentrated with Usborne. Purchases from them were approximately \$12.2 million and \$9.0 million for the years ended February 28, 2015 and 2014, respectively. Total inventory purchases for those same periods were approximately \$15.3 million and \$11.4 million, respectively.

**Cash and Cash Equivalents**—Cash and cash equivalents are maintained at financial institutions and, at times, balances may exceed federally insured limits. We have never experienced any losses related to these balances. Insurance coverage on our non-interest bearing cash balances was limited to \$250,000 and our non-interest bearing cash balances exceed federally insured limits. The majority of payments due from banks for third party credit card transactions process within two business days. These amounts due are classified as cash and cash equivalents. Cash and cash equivalents includes demand and time deposits, money market funds and other marketable securities with maturities of three months or less when acquired.

**Accounts Receivable**—Accounts receivable are uncollateralized customer obligations due under normal trade terms generally requiring payment within thirty days from the invoice date. Extended, seasonal dating is frequently available for orders of minimum quantities or amounts. Trade accounts are stated at the amount management expects to collect from outstanding balances. Delinquency fees are not assessed. Payments of accounts receivable are allocated to the specific invoices identified on the customers’ remittance advice. Accounts receivable are carried at original invoice amount less an estimated reserve made for returns and discounts based on quarterly review of historical rates of returns and expected discounts to be taken. The carrying amount of accounts receivable is reduced, if needed, by a valuation allowance that reflects management’s best estimate of the amounts that will not be collected.

Management periodically reviews accounts receivable balances and, based on an assessment of historical bad debts, current customer receivable balances, age of customer receivable balances, customers’ financial conditions and current economic trends, estimates the portion of the balance that will not be collected. Management provides for probable uncollectible amounts through a charge to earnings and a credit to a valuation account based on its assessment of the current status of the individual accounts. Balances which remain outstanding after management has used reasonable collection efforts are written off through a charge to the valuation allowance and a credit to trade accounts receivable. Recoveries of trade receivables previously written off are recorded as income when received.

**Inventories**—Inventories are stated at the lower of cost or market. Cost is determined using the FIFO method. We present a portion of our inventory as a noncurrent asset. Occasionally we purchase book inventory in quantities in excess of what will be sold within the normal operating cycle due to minimum order requirements of our primary supplier. These excess quantities are included in noncurrent inventory. We estimate noncurrent inventory using the current year turnover ratio by title. All inventory in excess of 2½ years of anticipated sales is classified as noncurrent inventory.

Inventories are presented net of a valuation allowance. Management has estimated and included an allowance for slow moving inventory for both current and noncurrent inventory. This allowance is based on management’s analysis of inventory on hand at February 28, 2015 and 2014.

**Property, Plant and Equipment**—Property, plant and equipment are stated at cost and depreciated on a straight-line basis over the estimated useful lives, as follows:

Building	30 years
Machinery and equipment	3 - 10 years
Furniture and fixtures	3 years

Capitalized projects that are not placed in service are recorded as in progress and are not depreciated until the related assets are placed in service.

**Income Taxes**—We account for income taxes using the liability method. Under this method, deferred tax assets and liabilities are determined based on the difference between the financial statement and the tax basis of assets and liabilities using the current tax laws and rates. A valuation allowance is established when necessary to reduce deferred tax assets to the amounts that are “more likely than not” to be realized.

**Revenue Recognition**—Sales are recognized and recorded when products are shipped. Products are shipped FOB shipping point. The UBAM division’s sales are paid at the time the product is shipped. These sales accounted for 65% of net revenues in fiscal year 2015 and 58% in fiscal year 2014.

Estimated allowances for sales returns are recorded as sales are recognized and recorded. Management uses a moving average calculation to estimate the allowance for sales returns. We are not responsible for product damaged in transit. Damaged returns are primarily from the retail stores related to damages which occur in the stores, not in shipping to the stores. It is industry practice to accept returns from wholesale customers. Management has estimated and included a reserve for sales returns of \$100,000 as of February 28, 2015 and 2014.

Transportation revenue represents the amount billed to the customer for shipping the product and is recorded when the product is shipped.

**Advertising Costs**—Advertising costs are expensed as incurred. Advertising expenses, included in selling and operating expenses in the statements of earnings, were \$367,300 and \$348,600 for the years ended February 28, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

**Shipping and Handling Costs**— We classify shipping and handling costs as operating and selling expenses in the statements of earnings. Shipping and handling costs were \$3,719,300 and \$2,699,800 for the years ended February 28, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

**Earnings per Share**—Basic earnings per share (“EPS”) is computed by dividing net income by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding during the period. Diluted EPS is based on the combined weighted average number of common shares outstanding and dilutive potential common shares issuable which include, where appropriate, the assumed exercise of options. In computing Diluted EPS, we have utilized the treasury stock method.

The computation of weighted average common and common equivalent shares used in the calculation of basic and diluted earnings per share (“EPS”) is shown below.

	<b>Year Ended February 28,</b>	
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Earnings Per Share:</b>		
Net earnings applicable to common shareholders	\$ 859,200	\$ 357,600
<b>Shares:</b>		
Weighted average shares outstanding—basic	4,003,702	3,968,214
Assumed exercise of options	-	-
Weighted average shares outstanding—diluted	4,003,702	3,968,214
<b>Basic and Diluted Earnings Per Share</b>	<b>\$ 0.21</b>	<b>\$ 0.09</b>
<b>Stock options not considered above because they were antidilutive</b>	<b>10,000</b>	<b>11,000</b>

**Long-Lived Asset Impairment**— We review the value of long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable based on estimated future cash flows. No impairment was noted as a result of such review during the years ended February 28, 2015 and 2014.

**Stock-Based Compensation**—Share-based payment transactions with employees, such as stock options and restricted stock, are measured at estimated fair value at date of grant and recognized as compensation expense over the requisite service period, net of estimated forfeitures.

**New Accounting Pronouncements**— The Financial Accounting Standards Board (“FASB”) periodically issues new accounting standards in a continuing effort to improve standards of financial accounting and reporting. We have reviewed the recently issued pronouncements and concluded that the following recently issued accounting standards apply to us.

In April 2014, FASB issued Accounting Standards Update (ASU) No. 2014-08 “Reporting Discontinued Operations and Disclosures of Disposals of Components of an Entity,” which changes the criteria for determining which disposals can be presented as discontinued operations and modifies related disclosure requirements. Under the new guidance, a discontinued operation is defined as a component or group of components that is disposed of or is classified as held for sale and represents a strategic shift that has or will have a major effect on an entity’s operations and financial results. The change is effective for fiscal years, and interim reporting periods within those years, beginning on or after December 15, 2014, which means the first quarter of our fiscal year 2016, with early adoption permitted. The ASU applies prospectively to new disposals and new classifications of disposal groups as held for sale after the effective date. This new ASU will not affect our financial position, results of operations or cash flows.

In May 2014, FASB issued ASU No. 2014-09 “Revenue from Contracts with Customers,” which provides a single revenue recognition model which is intended to improve comparability over a range of industries, companies and geographical boundaries and will also result in enhanced disclosures. The changes are effective for fiscal years, and interim periods within those years, beginning after December 15, 2016, which means the first quarter of our fiscal year 2018. We are currently reviewing the ASU and assessing the potential impact on our financial statements.

## 2. INVENTORIES

Inventories consist of the following:

	<b>February 28,</b>	
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Current:		
Book inventory	\$ 11,206,000	\$ 9,894,400
Inventory valuation allowance	(25,000)	(25,000)
Inventories net–current	<u>\$ 11,181,000</u>	<u>\$ 9,869,400</u>
Noncurrent:		
Book inventory	\$ 718,900	\$ 824,000
Inventory valuation allowance	(368,100)	(353,800)
Inventories net–noncurrent	<u>\$ 350,800</u>	<u>\$ 470,200</u>

## 3. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Property, plant and equipment consist of the following:

	<b>February 28,</b>	
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Land	\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000
Building	2,124,700	2,124,700
Machinery and equipment	2,488,000	2,363,800
Furniture and fixtures	75,700	75,700
System installations in progress	200,800	-
	5,139,200	4,814,200
Less accumulated depreciation	(3,066,000)	(2,936,600)
	<u>\$ 2,073,200</u>	<u>\$ 1,877,600</u>

## 4. OTHER CURRENT LIABILITIES

Other current liabilities consist of the following:

	<b>February 28,</b>	
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Accrued royalties	\$ 368,200	\$ 374,000
Accrued UBAM trip incentives	323,700	24,100
Sales tax payable	181,000	116,800
Other	170,600	143,300
	<u>\$ 1,043,500</u>	<u>\$ 658,200</u>

## 5. INCOME TAXES

Deferred income taxes reflect the net tax effects of temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for income tax purposes. The tax effects of significant items comprising our net deferred tax assets and liabilities as of February 28 are as follows:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
Current:		
Deferred tax assets:		
Allowance for doubtful accounts	\$ 41,100	\$ 58,500
Inventory overhead capitalization	86,900	79,000
Inventory valuation allowance	9,500	9,500
Allowance for sales returns	38,000	38,000
Accruals	<u>74,300</u>	<u>74,300</u>
Deferred tax assets-current	<u>249,800</u>	<u>259,300</u>
Noncurrent:		
Deferred tax assets:		
Inventory valuation allowance	\$ 143,300	\$ 134,400
Capital loss carryforward	163,600	163,600
Subtotal deferred tax assets	<u>306,900</u>	<u>298,000</u>
Less valuation allowance	(163,600)	(163,600)
Total net deferred tax assets	<u>143,300</u>	<u>134,400</u>
Deferred tax liabilities:		
Property and equipment	<u>(63,100)</u>	<u>(63,000)</u>
Deferred tax liabilities	<u>(63,100)</u>	<u>(63,000)</u>
Net deferred tax asset-noncurrent	<u>\$ 80,200</u>	<u>\$ 71,400</u>

Management has assessed the evidence to estimate whether sufficient future capital gains will be generated to utilize the existing capital loss carryforward. As no current expectation of capital gains exists, Management has objectively determined that a valuation allowance is necessary to reduce the carrying value of deferred tax assets as it is “more likely than not” that such assets are unrealizable.

The amount of the deferred tax asset considered realizable, however, could be adjusted if future capital gains are generated during the carryforward period. Management has determined that no valuation allowance is necessary to reduce the carrying value of other deferred tax assets as it is “more likely than not” that such assets are realizable.



The components of income tax expense are as follows:

	<b>February 28,</b>	
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Current:		
Federal	\$ 439,200	\$ 299,000
State	103,400	89,300
	<u>542,600</u>	<u>388,300</u>
Deferred:		
Federal	600	133,200
State	100	(5,600)
	<u>700</u>	<u>127,600</u>
Total income tax expense	<u>\$ 543,300</u>	<u>\$ 515,900</u>

The following reconciles our expected income tax expense utilizing statutory tax rates to the actual tax expense:

	<b>February 28,</b>	
	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Tax expense at federal statutory rate	\$ 476,800	\$ 297,000
State income tax—net of federal tax benefit	73,300	70,100
Change in capital loss valuation allowance	-	163,600
Other	(6,800)	(14,800)
Total income tax expense	<u>\$ 543,300</u>	<u>\$ 515,900</u>

We file our tax returns in the U.S. and certain state jurisdictions. We are no longer subject to income tax examinations by tax authorities for fiscal years before 2012. We are currently the subject of an income tax examination for fiscal year 2012 by the IRS.

Based upon a review of our income tax filing positions, we believe that our positions would be sustained upon an audit and do not anticipate any adjustments that would result in a material change to our financial position. Therefore, no reserves for uncertain income tax positions have been recorded. We classify interest and penalties associated with income taxes as a component of income tax expense on the statement of earnings.

## **6. EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN**

We have a profit sharing plan that incorporates the provisions of Section 401(k) of the Internal Revenue Code. The 401(k) plan covers substantially all employees meeting specific age and length of service requirements. Matching contributions are discretionary and amounted to \$44,900 and \$57,100 in the fiscal years ended February 28, 2015 and 2014, respectively. The 401(k) plan includes an option for employees to invest in our stock, which is purchased from our treasury stock shares. Shares purchased for the 401(k) plan from Treasury stock amounted to 47,935 net shares and 60,480 net shares in the fiscal years ended February 28, 2015 and 2014, respectively.

## 7. DEBT

We have a \$3,200,000 revolving credit agreement, with interest payable monthly at the greater of (a) prime rate minus 0.75% or (b) 4.00%. At February 28, 2015, the rate in effect was 4.00%. The revolving credit agreement is collateralized by substantially all of our assets and matures on June 30, 2015.

We had \$1,400,000 in borrowings outstanding on the above revolving credit agreement at February 28, 2015 and no borrowings outstanding at February 28, 2014. Available credit under the revolving credit agreement was \$1,800,000 at February 28, 2015. This agreement also contains a provision for our use of the Bank's letters of credit. The Bank agrees to issue, or obtain issuance of commercial or stand-by letters of credit provided that no letters of credit will have an expiry date later than June 30, 2015 and that the sum of the line of credit plus the letters of credit would not exceed the borrowing base in effect at the time. The agreement contains provisions that require us to maintain specified financial ratios, restrict transactions with related parties, prohibit mergers or consolidation, disallow additional debt, and limit the amount of compensation, salaries, investments, capital expenditures and leasing transactions. We intend to renew the bank agreement or obtain other financing upon maturity.

## 8. COMMITMENTS

At February 28, 2015, we had outstanding purchase commitments for inventory totaling approximately \$7,613,400, which is due during fiscal year 2016. Of these commitments, \$6,440,600 were with Usborne, \$1,023,400 with various Kane Miller publishers and the remaining \$149,400 with other suppliers.

Rent expense for the year ended February 28, 2015 was \$25,500. As of February 28, 2015, we did not have any lease commitments in excess of one year.

## 9. CAPITAL STOCK, STOCK OPTIONS AND WARRANTS

The Board of Directors adopted the 2002 Incentive Stock Option Plan (the "2002 Plan") in June of 2002. The 2002 Plan also authorized us to grant up to 1,000,000 stock options.

Options granted under the 2002 Plan vest at date of grant and are exercisable up to ten years from the date of grant. The exercise price on options granted is equal to the market price at the date of grant. Options outstanding at February 28, 2015 expire in December 2019.

A summary of the status of our 2002 Plan as of February 28, 2015 and 2014, and changes during the years then ended is presented below:

	February 28,			
	2015		2014	
	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price	Shares	Weighted Average Exercise Price
Outstanding at Beginning of Year	11,000	\$ 5.68	16,000	\$ 5.55
Exercised	-	-	-	-
Expired	(1,000)	(10.00)	(5,000)	(5.25)
Outstanding at End of Year	10,000	\$ 5.25	11,000	\$ 5.68

All options outstanding are exercisable at February 28, 2015.

## 10. QUARTERLY RESULTS OF OPERATIONS (UNAUDITED)

The following is a summary of the quarterly results of operations for the years ended February 28, 2015 and 2014.

	<u>Net Revenues</u>	<u>Gross Margin</u>	<u>Net Earnings</u>	<u>Basic Earnings Per Share</u>	<u>Diluted Earnings Per Share</u>
<b>2015</b>					
First quarter	\$ 7,178,300	\$ 4,334,800	\$ 239,700	\$ 0.06	\$ 0.06
Second quarter	6,808,200	3,795,100	(3,900)	(0.00)	(0.00)
Third quarter	10,936,500	6,821,700	526,400	0.13	0.13
Fourth quarter	7,625,300	4,832,800	97,000	0.02	0.02
Total year	<u>\$ 32,548,300</u>	<u>\$ 19,784,400</u>	<u>\$ 859,200</u>	<u>\$ 0.21</u>	<u>\$ 0.21</u>
<b>2014</b>					
First quarter	\$ 5,990,500	\$ 3,514,300	\$ 66,600	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.02
Second quarter	5,715,100	3,054,100	56,400	0.01	0.01
Third quarter	8,502,000	5,207,500	547,800	0.14	0.14
Fourth quarter	5,889,400	3,797,600	(313,200)	(0.08)	(0.08)
Total year	<u>\$ 26,097,000</u>	<u>\$ 15,573,500</u>	<u>\$ 357,600</u>	<u>\$ 0.09</u>	<u>\$ 0.09</u>

## 11. BUSINESS SEGMENTS

We have two reportable segments: EDC Publishing and Usborne Books & More (“UBAM”) which are business units that offer different methods of distribution to different types of customers. They are managed separately based on the fundamental differences in their operations.

- EDC Publishing markets its products to retail accounts, which include book, toy and gift stores, school supply stores and museums, through commissioned sales representatives, trade and specialty wholesalers and an internal telesales group.
- UBAM markets its product line through a nationwide network of independent sales consultants using a combination of home shows, Internet shows, direct sales, and book fairs. The UBAM division also distributes to school and public libraries.

The accounting policies of the segments are the same as those described in the summary of significant accounting policies. We evaluate segment performance based on earnings (loss) before income taxes of the segments, which is defined as segment net sales reduced by direct cost of sales and direct expenses. Corporate expenses, depreciation, interest expense and income taxes are not allocated to the segments, but are listed in the “other” column. Corporate expenses include the executive department, accounting department, information services department, general office management and building facilities management. Our assets and liabilities are not allocated on a segment basis.

Information by industry segment for the years ended February 28, 2015 and 2014 is set forth below:

**NET REVENUES**

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Publishing</b>	\$ 11,532,500	\$ 10,968,400
<b>UBAM</b>	21,015,800	15,128,600
<b>Other</b>	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 32,548,300</u>	<u>\$ 26,097,000</u>

**EARNINGS (LOSS) BEFORE INCOME TAXES**

	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
<b>Publishing</b>	\$ 3,452,800	\$ 3,448,900
<b>UBAM</b>	2,456,300	2,159,700
<b>Other</b>	(4,506,600)	(4,735,100)
<b>Total</b>	<u>\$ 1,402,500</u>	<u>\$ 873,500</u>

**12. STOCK REPURCHASE PLAN**

In April 2008, the Board of Directors authorized us to purchase up to an additional 500,000 shares of our common stock under the plan initiated in 1998. This plan has no expiration date. During fiscal year 2015, we purchased 1,339 shares of common stock at an average price of \$3.88 per share totaling approximately \$5,200. The maximum number of shares that may be repurchased in the future is 303,315.

**13. STOCK PURCHASE AGREEMENT**

Prior to the fiscal year ended 2014, we acquired a 15.6% investment in Demibooks, Inc., obtained under a Stock Purchase Agreement. Demibooks provides a publishing platform, Composer, a code-free way for publishers and self-published authors and illustrators to create interactive books for the iPad on the device itself.

During the fiscal year ended 2014, we identified an impairment indicator in the value of our investment in Demibooks, and determined the impairment to be other than temporary. We estimated the fair value of the investment to be \$0 based on the estimated future cash flows, and recognized an impairment loss of \$430,300, which is reflected on the statements of earnings under other expenses for fiscal year 2014.

#### **14. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS**

The valuation hierarchy included in U.S. GAAP considers the transparency of inputs used to value assets and liabilities as of the measurement date. The less transparent or observable the inputs used to value assets and liabilities, the lower the classification of the assets and liabilities in the valuation hierarchy. A financial instrument's classification within the valuation hierarchy is based on the lowest level of input that is significant to its fair value measurement. The three levels of the valuation hierarchy and the classification of our financial assets and liabilities within the hierarchy are as follows:

Level 1 - Quoted prices (unadjusted) in active markets for identical assets or liabilities that the reporting entity has the ability to access at the measurement date.

Level 2 - Observable inputs other than quoted prices included within Level 1 for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly. If an asset or liability has a specified term, a Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability.

Level 3 - Unobservable inputs for the asset or liability.

We do not report any assets or liabilities at fair value in the financial statements. However, the estimated fair value of our line of credit is estimated by management to approximate the carrying value of \$1,400,000 and \$0 at February 28, 2015 and 2014, respectively. Management's estimates are based on the obligations' characteristics, including floating interest rate, maturity, and collateral. Such valuation inputs are considered a Level 2 measurement in the fair value valuation hierarchy.

#### **15. SUBSEQUENT EVENT**

On March 20, 2015, we paid the previously declared \$0.08 dividend per share to shareholders of record as of March 13, 2015.

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**Exhibit 23.1**

**Consent of Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm**

We consent to the incorporation by reference in Registration Statements No. 33-60188 and 333-100659 of Educational Development Corporation on Form S-8 of our report dated May 28, 2015, appearing in this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Educational Development Corporation for the year ended February 28, 2015.

/s/ HoganTaylor LLP

Tulsa, Oklahoma  
May 28, 2015

## Exhibit 31.1

### CERTIFICATION

I, Randall W. White, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Educational Development Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a. Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b. Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c. Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d. Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a. All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 28, 2015

/s/ Randall W. White  
Chairman of the Board, President  
and Chief Executive Officer

## Exhibit 31.2

### CERTIFICATION

I, Marilyn Pinney, certify that:

1. I have reviewed this Annual Report on Form 10-K of Educational Development Corporation;
2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a. Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant, including its consolidated subsidiaries, is made known to us by others within those entities, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b. Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c. Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d. Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a. All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b. Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: May 28, 2015

/s/ Marilyn Pinney

Controller and Corporate Secretary  
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)



**Exhibit 32.1**

**Certification Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350,  
as Adopted Pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.**

In connection with the Annual Report of Educational Development Corporation (the "Company") on Form 10-K for the period ending February 28, 2015, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), the undersigned certify pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that:

- (1) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13 (a) or 15 (d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934; and
- (2) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Company.

Date: May 28, 2015

By /s/ Randall W. White  
Randall W. White  
President and Chief Executive Officer

Date: May 28, 2015

By /s/ Marilyn Pinney  
Marilyn Pinney  
Controller and Corporate Secretary  
(Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

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