STRAYER EDUCATION INC Form SC 13D/A May 20, 2005

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

SCHEDULE 13D (Rule 13d-101)

INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-1(a) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO RULE 13d-2(a) (AMENDMENT NO. 12)

STRAYER EDUCATION, INC.

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(Name of Issuer)

COMMON STOCK, PAR VALUE \$.01 PER SHARE

(Title of Class of Securities)

863236105 \_\_\_\_\_

(CUSIP Number)

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Steven B. Klinsky New Mountain Partners, L.P. 787 Seventh Avenue, 49th Floor New York, New York 10019 Telephone: (212) 720-0300

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

Copies to: J. Michael Schell Sean C. Doyle Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP Four Times Square New York, New York 10036-6522 Telephone: (212) 735-3000

May 18, 2005

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(Date of Event which Requires Filing of this Statement)

If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of Rule 13d-1(e), 13d-1(f) or 13d-1(g), check the following box [ ].

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13d-7 (b) for other parties to whom copies are to be sent.

(Continued on the following pages)

CUSIP No	o. 863236105		13D			
1		NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS:  New Mountain Partners, L.P.				
	I.R.S. IDENTIFIC	I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY):				
	13-4099832					
2	CHECK THE APPROP	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP				
				[X] (a) [ ] (b)		
3	SEC USE ONLY					
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS:  See Items 3 and 4 AF, OO					
5		CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) or 2(e) [ ]				
6	CITIZENSHIP OR P Delaware	CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:  Delaware				
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH		7	SOLE VOTING POWER: 592,120			
		8	SHARED VOTING POWER:			
		9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER: 592,120			

	10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:  None	
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON: 592,120	
12	CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES	[ ]
13	PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11):  Approximately 4.04%	
14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON: PN	
CUSIP No.	. 863236105 13D	
1	NAME OF REPORTING PERSONS:  New Mountain Investments, L.P.  I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY):  13-4099829	
2	CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP  [X]	
3	SEC USE ONLY	
4	SOURCE OF FUNDS:  AF, OO	
5	CHECK BOX IF DISCLOSURE OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS IS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO ITEM 2(d) or 2(e)	[ ]

6 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION:

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	Delaware		
NUMBER OF SHARES BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON WITH		7	SOLE VOTING POWER: 592,120
		8	SHARED VOTING POWER:
			None
		9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:
			592,120
		10	SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:
			None
11	AGGREGATE AMOUNT	BENEFIC	CIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:
	592,120		
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14	TYPE OF REPORTING	F PERSON	N:
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CUSIP No.	. 863236105		13D
1	NAME OF REPORTING	G PERSON	NS:
	New Mountai	n GP, I	LLC
	I.R.S. IDENTIFICA	ATION NO	OS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY):
	13-4099827		

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		8	SHARED VOTING POWER:	
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14	TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON:					
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CUSIP No.	863236105 		13D			
1	NAME OF REPORTING	G PERSO	NS:			
	Steven B. Klinsky					
	I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NOS. OF ABOVE PERSONS (ENTITIES ONLY):					
	N/A					
2	CHECK THE APPROPE	RIATE B	OX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP			
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		8	SHARED VOTING POWER:			
			None			
		9	SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER:			
			592,120			

10 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER:

None

11 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON:
592,120

12 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (11) EXCLUDES CERTAIN SHARES [ ]

13 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (11):
Approximately 4.04%

14 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON:

Amendment No. 12 to Schedule 13D

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The statement on Schedule 13D (the "Schedule 13D"), as amended by Amendment No. 1 ("Amendment No. 1"), Amendment No. 2 ("Amendment No. 2"), Amendment No. 3 ("Amendment No. 3"), Amendment No. 4 ("Amendment No. 4"), Amendment No. 5 ("Amendment No. 5"), Amendment No. 6 ("Amendment No. 6"), Amendment No. 7 ("Amendment No. 7"), Amendment No. 8 ("Amendment No. 8"), Amendment No. 9 ("Amendment No. 9"), Amendment No. 10 ("Amendment No. 10") and Amendment No. 11 ("Amendment No. 11") thereto, filed jointly on March 26, 2001, May 15, 2001, October 8, 2002, November 18, 2002, November 22, 2002, January 14, 2004, February 4, 2004, March 11, 2004, March 15, 2004, May 6, 2004, June 30, 2004 and December 13, 2004, respectively, by the persons listed on the signature pages thereto relating to the beneficial ownership of the common stock, par value \$.01 per share ("Common Stock"), of Strayer Education, Inc., a Maryland corporation (the "Issuer"), and the beneficial ownership of the Series A Preferred Stock, par value \$.01 per share ("Series A Preferred Stock"), of the Issuer, which is convertible into Common Stock, is hereby amended and supplemented as set forth below in this Amendment No. 12 to the Schedule 13D by the persons listed on the signature page hereto (the "Reporting Persons"). Capitalized terms used below and not otherwise defined herein shall have the meanings set forth in the Schedule 13D, as amended by Amendment No. 1, Amendment No. 2, Amendment No. 3, Amendment No. 4, Amendment No. 5, Amendment No. 6, Amendment No. 7, Amendment No. 8, Amendment No. 9, Amendment No. 10 and Amendment No. 11.

Item 4. Purpose of Transaction.

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The disclosure in Item 4(a) is hereby amended and supplemented as

follows:

"On May 18, 2005, New Mountain Partners, L.P. sold 600,000 shares of Common Stock in a transaction with Credit Suisse First Boston LLC in reliance on Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, at a per share price of \$86.50."

Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer.

The disclosure in Item 5(a) is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

"As of the date of this Amendment No. 12, the Reporting Persons may be deemed to beneficially own 592,120 shares of Common Stock.

Assuming the number of shares outstanding on April 30, 2005, the Reporting Persons may be deemed to beneficially own approximately 4.04% of the outstanding Common Stock of the Issuer."

The disclosure in Item 5(c) is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

"On May 18, 2005, New Mountain Partners, L.P. sold 600,000 shares of Common Stock in a transaction with Credit Suisse First Boston LLC in reliance on Rule 144 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, at a per share price of \$86.50. This is the only transaction in the Common Stock that was effected by the Reporting Persons in the 60 days preceding this amendment."

The disclosure in Item 5(e) is hereby amended and restated as follows:

"On May 18, 2005, the Reporting Persons ceased to be the beneficial owners of more than five percent of the outstanding Common Stock of the Issuer."

#### SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

NEW MOUNTAIN PARTNERS, L.P.

By: New Mountain Investments, L.P., its

general partner

By: New Mountain GP, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Steven B. Klinsky

Name: Steven B. Klinsky

Title: Member

NEW MOUNTAIN INVESTMENTS, L.P. By: New Mountain GP, LLC, its general partner

By: /s/ Steven B. Klinsky

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Name: Steven B. Klinsky

Title: Member

NEW MOUNTAIN GP, LLC

By: /s/ Steven B. Klinsky

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Name: Steven B. Klinsky

Title: Member

/s/ Steven B. Klinsky

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Name: Steven B. Klinsky

Dated: May 19, 2005