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#### FORM S-3

# REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

## CHINA EDUCATION ALLIANCE, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

North Carolina (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

56-2012361 (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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From time to time after the effective date of this Registration Statement (Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to the public)

If the only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box:

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, other than securities offered only in connection with dividend or interest reinvestment plans, check the following box: x

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

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If this Form is a registration statement pursuant to General Instruction I.D. or a post-effective amendment thereto that shall become effective upon filing with the Commission pursuant to Rule 462(e) under the Securities Act, check the following box."

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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 the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer "
Non-accelerated filer "(Do not check if a smaller reporting company)

Accelerated filer "
Smaller reporting company x

#### CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Title of each class of securities to be registered (1)	Amount to benaxim	oposed max um offeringaggregat	-	nount of ation fee (3)
Common Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	_	_	_	_
Preferred Stock, par value \$0.001 per share	_	_	_	_
Warrants (4)	_	_	_	_
Debt Securities (5)	_	_	_	_
Units (6)	-	-	-	_
Total		\$ 20	0,000,000 \$	1,116

- (1) There are being registered hereunder such indeterminate number of shares of common stock and preferred stock, such indeterminate principal amount of debt securities, such indeterminate number of warrants to purchase common stock, preferred stock or debt securities, and such indeterminate number of units as shall have an aggregate initial offering price not to exceed \$20,000,000. If any debt securities are issued at an original issued discount, then the offering price of such debt securities shall be in such greater principal amount as shall result in an aggregate initial offering price not to exceed \$20,000,000, less the aggregate dollar amount of all securities previously issued hereunder. Any securities registered hereunder may be sold separately or as units with other securities registered hereunder. The proposed maximum initial offering price per unit will be determined, from time to time, by the registrant in connection with the issuance by the registrant of the securities registered hereunder. The securities registered also include such indeterminate number of shares of common stock and preferred stock and amount of debt securities as may be issued upon conversion of or exchange for preferred stock or debt securities that provide for conversion or exchange, upon exercise of warrants or pursuant to the antidilution provisions of any such securities. In addition, pursuant to Rule 416 under the Securities Act, the shares being registered hereunder include such indeterminate number of shares of common stock and preferred stock as may be issuable with respect to the shares being registered hereunder as a result of stock splits, stock dividends or similar transactions.
- (2) The proposed maximum aggregate offering price per class of security will be determined from time to time by the registrant in connection with the issuance by the registrant of the securities registered hereunder and is not specified as to each class of security pursuant to General Instruction II.D. of Form S-3 under the Securities Act. In no event will the aggregate offering price of all securities issued from time to time pursuant to this registration statement exceed \$20,000,000.
  - (3) Calculated pursuant to Rule 457(o) under the Securities Act. The total amount is being paid herewith.
    - (4) Includes warrants to purchase common stock and warrants to purchase preferred stock.
  - (5) If any debt securities are issued with an original issue discount, the offering price of such debt securities shall be such greater amount as shall result in an aggregate maximum offering price not to exceed \$20,000,000 or the equivalent thereof in one or more other currencies, currency units or composite currencies, less the dollar amount of any securities previously issued hereunder.
- (6) Any of the securities registered hereunder may be sold separately, or as units with other securities registered hereby. We will determine the proposed maximum offering price per unit when we issue the above listed securities. The proposed maximum per unit and aggregate offering prices per class of securities will be determined from time to time by the registrant in connection with the issuance by the registrant of the securities registered under this registration statement and is not specified as to each class of security pursuant to General Instruction II.D of Form S-3 under the Securities Act.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Securities and Exchange Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement relating to these securities that has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted.

(Subject to Completion, Dated August \_\_\_, 2009)

**PROSPECTUS** 

\$20,000,000

#### CHINA EDUCATION ALLIANCE, INC.

Common Stock Preferred Stock Warrants Debt Securities Units

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission using a "shelf" registration process. From time to time, we may offer up to \$20,000,000 of any combination of the securities described in this prospectus, either individually or in units.

This prospectus provides a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we sell securities, we will provide specific terms of the securities offered in a supplement to this prospectus. The prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus. You should read this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement carefully before you invest in any securities.

Our common stock is listed on NYSE Amex Equities ("NYSE Amex", formerly, the American Stock Exchange) under the symbol "CEU." On August 19, 2009, the last reported sale price of our common stock on NYSE Amex was \$4.67 per share. The applicable prospectus supplement will contain information, where applicable, as to any other listing on NYSE Amex or any securities market or other exchange of the securities, if any, covered by the prospectus supplement.

Investing in our securities involves a high degree of risk. We urge you to carefully consider the risks that we have described on page 9 of this prospectus under the caption "Risk Factors." We may also include specific risk factors in supplements to this prospectus under the caption "Risk Factors." This prospectus may not be used to offer or sell our securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement.

We will sell these securities directly to investors, through agents designated from time to time or to or through underwriters or dealers. For additional information on the methods of sale, you should refer to the section entitled "Plan of Distribution" in this prospectus. If any underwriters are involved in the sale of any securities with respect to which this prospectus is being delivered, the names of such underwriters and any applicable commissions or discounts will be set forth in a prospectus supplement. The price to the public of such securities and the net proceeds we expect to receive from such sale will also be set forth in a prospectus supplement.

NEITHER THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION NOR ANY STATE SECURITIES COMMISSION HAS APPROVED OR DISAPPROVED OF THESE SECURITIES OR PASSED UPON THE ADEQUACY OR ACCURACY OF THIS PROSPECTUS. ANY REPRESENTATION TO THE CONTRARY IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

The date of this prospectus is August [], 2009

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You should rely only on the information contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement. We have not authorized anyone to provide you with information different from that contained or incorporated by reference into this prospectus. If any person does provide you with information that differs from what is contained or incorporated by reference in this prospectus, you should not rely on it. No dealer, salesperson or other person is authorized to give any information or to represent anything not contained in this prospectus. You should assume that the information contained in this prospectus or any prospectus supplement is accurate only as of the date on the front of the document and that any information contained in any document we have incorporated by reference is accurate only as of the date of the document incorporated by reference, regardless of the time of delivery of this prospectus or any prospectus supplement or any sale of a security. These documents are not an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy these securities in any circumstances under which the offer or solicitation is unlawful.

#### ABOUT THIS PROSPECTUS

This prospectus is part of a registration statement that we filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, using a "shelf" registration process. Under this shelf registration process, we may sell any combination of the securities described in this prospectus in one of more offerings up to a total dollar amount of proceeds of \$20,000,000. This prospectus describes the general manner in which our securities may be offered by this prospectus. Each time we sell securities, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will contain specific information about the terms of that offering. The prospectus supplement may also add, update or change information contained in this prospectus or in documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus. The prospectus supplement that contains specific information about the terms of the securities being offered may also include a discussion of certain U.S. Federal income tax consequences and any risk factors or other special considerations applicable to those securities. To the extent that any statement that we make in a prospectus supplement is inconsistent with statements made in this prospectus or in documents incorporated by reference in this prospectus, you should rely on the information in the prospectus supplement. You should carefully read both this prospectus and any prospectus supplement together with the additional information described under "Where You Can Find More Information" before buying any securities in this offering.

The terms "China Education," "Company," "we," "our" or "us" in this prospectus refer to China Education Alliance, Inc. and i subsidiaries, unless the context suggests otherwise. Additionally, unless we indicate otherwise, references in this prospectus to:

- "China" and the "PRC" are to the People's Republic of China, excluding, for the purposes of this prospectus only, Taiwan and the special administrative regions of Hong Kong and Macau;
  - "RMB" and "Renminbi" are to the legal currency of China; and
  - "\$," "US\$" and "U.S. dollars" are to the legal currency of the United States.

#### CAUTIONARY STATEMENT REGARDING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

The information contained in this prospectus and the documents and information incorporated by reference in this prospectus include some statements that are not purely historical and that are "forward-looking statements." Such forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding our expectations, hopes, beliefs, intentions or strategies regarding the future, including our financial condition, and results of operations. In addition, any statements that refer to projections, forecasts or other characterizations of future events or circumstances, including any underlying assumptions, are forward-looking statements. The words "anticipates," "believes," "continue," "could," "estimates," "expects," "intends," "may," "might," "plans," "possible," "potential," "predicts," "projects," "seeks," "s and similar expressions, or the negatives of such terms, may identify forward-looking statements, but the absence of these words does not mean that a statement is not forward-looking.

The forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus are based on current expectations and beliefs concerning future developments and their potential effects on us. There can be no assurance that future developments actually affecting us will be those anticipated. These forward-looking statements involve a number of risks, uncertainties (some of which are beyond our control) or other assumptions that may cause actual results or performance to be materially different from those expressed or implied by these forward-looking statements, including the following:

- Changes in the laws of the PRC that affect the Company's operations;
- Any significant occurrence of severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS), Avian Flu, or Swine Flu (H1N1);

The Company's ability to obtain and maintain all necessary government certifications and/or licenses to conduct the Company's business;

- Development of a public trading market for the Company's securities;
- •The cost of complying with current and future governmental regulations and the impact of any changes in the regulations on the Company's operations;
  - Changes in the political and economic policies of the government in China, where all of the Company's assets are located and all from where its revenues are derived;
    - Adverse capital and credit market conditions, and the Company's ability to meet liquidity needs;
      - Fluctuation of the foreign currency exchange rate between U.S. Dollars and Renminbi;
    - Our ability to obtain additional funding for our continuing operations and to fund our expansion;
      - Our ability to meet our financial projections for any financial year;
      - Our ability to retain our key executives and to hire additional senior management;
        - Continued growth of the Chinese economy and demand for our services;
    - Our ability to anticipate trends and provide programs that are relevant and useful to our students;
- •other factors, including those described in this prospectus under the heading "Risk Factors," as well as factors set forth in other filings we make with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Should one or more of these risks or uncertainties materialize, or should any of our assumptions prove incorrect, actual results may vary in material respects from those projected in these forward-looking statements. We undertake no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except as may be required under applicable securities laws.

#### **SUMMARY**

The following is only a summary, and does not contain all of the information that you need to consider in making your investment decision. We urge you to read this entire prospectus, including the more detailed consolidated financial statements, notes to the consolidated financial statements and other information incorporated by reference into this prospectus under "Where You Can Find More Information" and "Incorporation of Certain Information by Reference" from our other filings with the SEC, as well as any prospectus supplement applicable to an offering of the securities registered pursuant to the registration statement of which this prospectus forms a part. Investing in our securities involves risks. Therefore, please carefully consider the information provided under the heading "Risk Factors" beginning on page 9.

#### ABOUT CHINA EDUCATION ALLIANCE, INC.

We are an education service company that provides on-line education and on-site training in the PRC.

Our principal business is the distribution of educational resources through the internet. Our website, www.edu-chn.com, is a comprehensive education network platform which is based on network video technology and large data sources of elementary education resources. We have a database comprised of such resources as test papers that were used for secondary education and university level courses as well as video on demand. Our data base includes more than 300,000 exams and test papers and courseware for college, secondary and elementary schools. While some of these exams were given in previous years, we engage instructors to develop new exams and a methodology for taking the exams. We market this data base under the name "Famous Instructor Test Paper Store." We also offer, though our website, video on demand, which includes tutoring of exam papers and exam techniques. We complement the past exams and test papers with an interactive platform for students to understand the key points from the papers and exams. Although a number of resources are available through our website without charge, we charge our subscribers for such services as the Famous Instructor Test Paper Store and video on demand. Subscribers can purchase debit cards which can be used to download material from our website.

We also provide on-site teaching services in Harbin, which we market under the name "Classroom of Famed Instructors." We have a 36,600 square foot training facility in Harbin, Heilongjiang Province, PRC, which has 17 classrooms and can accommodate 1,200 students. These classes, which complement our on-line education services, provide classroom and tutoring to our students. The courses cover primarily the compulsory education curriculum of junior, middle and high school. We charge tuition for these classes.

We are also in the business of providing on-line vocational training services. We collaborated with the China Vocation Education Society to set up a website, www.360ve.com, which is an internet platform for training agencies and schools to offer their services. We launched www.360ve.com in September 2007. We called this program our "Millions of College Students Employment Crossroad" program. We offer job search capability and career planning courses for university students. We developed this program in response to the high jobless rate for PRC college graduates. Many college graduates pursue vocational training after college education in order to find employment. Our program is designed to establish a long-term training program for college students to build connections with corporations and obtain educational programs prescribed by the hiring corporations. We anticipate that we will constantly revise our materials to meet changes in the market as well as the demands of university students and graduates who enroll in our courses in order to meet their changing needs.

On April 18, 2008, our wholly owned subsidiary, Harbin Zhong He Li Da, Education Technology, Inc. ("ZHLD") entered into an agreement and supplementary agreement with Harbin Daily Newspaper Group to invest in a joint venture company, Harbin New Discovery Media Co., ZHLD contributed RMB 3,000 000 (approximately, \$430,000) and Harbin Daily Newspaper Group contributed RMB 3,120,000 (approximately, \$445,000) towards the registered capital of Harbin New Discovery Media Co. In return for their respective contributions, ZHLD will own 49.02% equity interest and Harbin Daily Newspaper Group will own 50.98% equity interest in Harbin New Discovery Media Co., Ltd. This joint venture will create new educational material distribution channels in readable newspaper format in the future. Pursuant to the terms of the supplementary agreement, Harbin Daily Newspaper Group assigned all its rights in the "Scientific Discovery" newspaper exclusively to the joint venture company. The transaction closed on July 7, 2008 and as a result, Harbin New Discovery Media Co. Ltd. is now a 49.02% owned subsidiary of ZHLD and we are now in the publication and distribution of a scientific newspaper business.

On April 27, 2008, we entered into a Share Transfer Agreement with Mr. Yuli Guo ("Guo") and World Exchanges, Inc. ("WEI") to purchase from Guo seventy (70) issued and outstanding common shares in WEI, representing 70% of the entire issued share capital of WEI. In consideration for the said shares, we issued to Guo 400,000 shares of our common stock. Guo will retain the remaining 30% of the issued share capital of WEI. The sale transaction closed on April 29, 2008. As a result of the transaction, WEI is now a 70% owned subsidiary of China Education Alliance. We, through WEI, now provide English training programs, English test preparation courses and overseas study and consulting services in the PRC through five entities, namely, Beijing Weishi Success Education Technology Co., Ltd., Beijing World Exchanges English College, Yantai WECL English College, Xiamen Siming District Weishi English Training School and the Private Qingdao Weishi Education Training School in Beijing, Yantai, Xiamen and Qingdao.

On December 23, 2008, our subsidiary, WEI incorporated a wholly-owned company, Beijing Wei Shi Yi Tong Education Technology Co., Inc. ("BJWSYT") in the PRC. WEI contributed US\$ 100,000 towards the registered capital of BJWSYT, amounting to a total registered capital of US\$100,000. In return WEI now owns 100% equity interest in BJWSYT. BJWSYT was incorporated on December 23, 2008 with a business term of 30 years. The members of the board of directors of BJWSYT comprise Mr. Xiqun Yu as the chairman, Mr. Yuli Guo and Ms. Xuxin Dong. Mr. Xiqun Yu is the legal representative of BJWSYT. BJWSYT is involved in the English language training business, in particular, in running the World Exchanges Colleges of Language in the PRC.

On January 4, 2009, our subsidiary ZHLD entered into an agreement with Mr. Guang Li to jointly incorporate and invest in a joint venture company, Zhong He Li Da (Beijing) Management Consultant Co., Ltd. ("ZHLDBJ"). ZHLD contributed RMB 425,000 (approximately, \$62,107), and Mr. Guang Li contributed RMB 75,000 (approximately, \$10,960) towards the registered capital of ZHLDBJ, amounting to a total registered capital interest, and Mr. Guang Li will own 15% equity interest in ZHLDBJ. ZHLD has authorized Mr. Xiqun Yu to hold 20% of its equity interest of ZHLDBJ on its behalf.

ZHLDBJ was incorporated on January 4, 2009 with a business term of 20 years. The registered capital of ZHLDBJ has been paid by the parties concerned. Mr. Xiqun Yu is the legal representative and the managing director of ZHLDBJ. ZHLDBJ will be involved in the vocational training business, in particular, in running the "Million Managers Training Program". The "Million Managers Training Program" is the PRC's first management training program targeted to upgrade management skills.

More recently, we entered into a co-operative agreement signed with the Foreign Language College of Peking University to jointly collaborate on the research and development, promotion and running of a "Practical Oral English Training Project." Under this agreement, both parties will participate in recruiting qualified teachers to teach English at classes held at Peking University. The classes will last one year, and student admissions across the country are scheduled to begin in September 2009.

For fiscal year 2008, our net income was \$9,918,536, or \$0.46 per share basic and \$0.40 diluted, as compared with net income of \$3,104,907 or \$0.16 per share basic and \$0.14 diluted, for fiscal year 2007. During the six months ended June 30, 2009 and 2008, we earned net income of \$6,465,353 and \$3,569,916, respectively.

As of June 30, 2009, we had total assets of \$42,466,049.

We were incorporated in North Carolina on December 2, 1996 under the name of ABC Realty Co. to engage in residential real estate transactions as a broker or agent. Following a September 2004 reverse acquisition in which we acquired all the equity interest in ZHLD, our corporate name was changed to China Education Alliance, Inc. and we ceased being a blank-check shell.

Our principal executive offices are located at 588 Heng Shan Road, Kun Lun Shopping Mall, Harbin, The People's Republic of China 150090. Our telephone number is 011-86-451-8233-5794. Our website is www.chinaeducationalliance.com. Information contained on, or that can be accessed through our website is not part of this prospectus. For additional information about us and our business, see "Where You Can Find More Information."

#### The Securities We May Offer

We may offer shares of our common stock and preferred stock, various series of debt securities and warrants to purchase any of such securities, either individually or in units, with a total value of up to \$20,000,000 from time to time under this prospectus at prices and on terms to be determined by market conditions at the time of offering. This prospectus provides you with a general description of the securities we may offer. Each time we offer a type or series of securities, we will provide a prospectus supplement that will describe the specific amounts, prices and other important terms of the securities, including, to the extent applicable: