

MENTOR CORP /MN/  
Form 8-K  
November 01, 2004

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d)  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):  
November 1, 2004

**MENTOR CORPORATION**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Minnesota 0-7955 41-0950791  
(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File No.) (IRS Employer I.D. No.)

of

incorporation)  
201 Mentor Drive  
Santa Barbara, California 93111  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code:  
(805) 879-6000

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition**

On November 1, 2004, Mentor Corporation issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three and six months ended September 30, 2004. A copy of the press release is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

In accordance with General Instruction B.2 of Form 8-K, the information in this Current Report on Form 8-K, including Exhibit 99.1, shall not be deemed to be "filed" for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act"), or otherwise subject to the liability of that section, and shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

Exhibit No.      Exhibit Title or Description

99.1                  Press release of Mentor Corporation, dated November 1, 2004

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

MENTOR CORPORATION

Date: November 1, 2004

/s/JOSHUA H. LEVINE  
Joshua H. Levine  
Chief Executive Officer

Date: November 1, 2004

/s/LOREN L. MCFARLAND  
Loren L. McFarland  
Chief Financial Officer