#### **UNITED STATES** 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): August 30, 2018

### **ASPEN GROUP, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware

(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

001-38175 (Commission File Number)

27-1933597 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

276 Fifth Avenue, Suite 306, New York, New York 10001 (Address of Principal Executive Office) (Zip Code)

(212) 477-1210

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

□ Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (17 CFR §230.405) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (17 CFR §240.12b-2).

Emerging growth company  $\Box$ 

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

#### Item 7.01 Regulation FD Disclosure.

On August 30, 2018, Mr. Michael Mathews, the Chairman of the Board of Directors and Chief Executive Officer of Aspen Group, Inc. (the "Company") will deliver a presentation to certain potential investors. A copy of the presentation is furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this report.

The information in Item 7.01 of this report, including the information in the presentation attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report, is furnished pursuant to Item 7.01 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section. Furthermore, the information in Item 7.01 of this report, including the information in the presentation attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this report, shall not be deemed to be incorporated by reference in the filings of the registrant under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

#### Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit No.	Exhibit
99.1	Investor Presentation dated August 2018

#### 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.

#### ASPEN GROUP, INC.

Date: August 30, 2018

By:/s/ Michael Mathews

Name: Michael Mathews Title: Chief Executive Officer



# August, 2018 Nasdaq: ASPU

### Safe Harbor Statement

Certain statements in this presentation and responses to various questions include forward-looking statements within the meaning of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements regarding USU's future role with family nurse practitioner's, projected gross margins, assumptions regarding LTV, and our low customer acquisition costs and teaching costs creating favorable gross margins, and our projected annual revenue rate per campus. The words "believe," "may," "estimate," "continue," "anticipate," "intend," "should," "plan," "could," "target," "potential," "is likely," "will," "expect" and similar expressions, as they relate to us, are intended to identify forward-looking statements. We have based these forward-looking statements largely on our current expectations and projections about future events and financial trends that we believe may affect our financial condition, results of operations, business strategy and financial needs.

Important factors that could cause actual results to differ from those in the forward-looking statements include the continued effectiveness of our online marketing, the ability to hold academic teaching costs in line, how students react to our hybrid pre-licensure BSN program over time, and the Company's ability to enter into partnerships with health care organizations to establish new campuses and/or finance those campuses.

Further information on our risk factors is contained in our filings with the SEC, including the 10-K dated July 13, 2018. Any forward-looking statement made by us herein speaks only as of the date on which it is made. Factors or events that could cause our actual results to differ may emerge from time to time, and it is not possible for us to predict all of them. We undertake no obligation to publicly update any forward-looking statement, whether as a result of new information, future developments or otherwise, except as may be required by law.

**Regulation G - Non-GAAP Financial Measures** This presentation includes a discussion of Adjusted EBITDA, Adjusted Net Loss Per Share and Adjusted Gross Margins, non-GAAP financial measures. Certain information regarding these non-GAAP financial measures (including reconciliations to GAAP) is provided on the Investor Relations section of the Aspen website at www.ir.aspen.edu.

"To Make College Affordable Again"

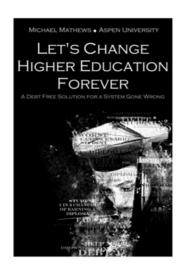






# Aspen Group's Business Model

# Offer world class online education at half the cost of our competitors; committed to cash-based, monthly payment plans (no interest)



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"Let's Change Higher Education Forever"

Online Students can pay \$325/month for a Master's degree = \$11,700 (36 months)

Online Students can pay \$250/month for a Bachelor's Degree = \$18,000 (72 months)

Online Students can pay \$375/month for a Doctoral Degree = \$27,000 (72 months)



# Monthly Payment Model Now the Majority Payment Method at Aspen University

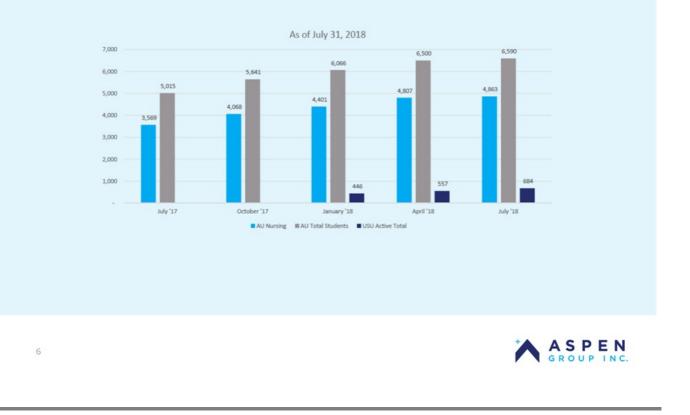
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67%
7%
18%
<u>8%</u>
100%

- Recurring Monthly Tuition Billing Now Exceeds \$1.2 million

- 4,769 degree-seeking students enrolled in a monthly payment method (as of 7/31/18)
- Total value of monthly payment plan contracts exceeds \$35 million (as of 7/31/18)



# AGI Student Bodies



# **Targeting Four Growth Vectors**





### Growth Vector 1: RNs - Fully Online RN to BSN & MSN



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RNs (post-licensure): BSN & MSN 2.9mm RNs in U.S. Today 65,000 Starts per Annum (TAM: - \$478mm)\*

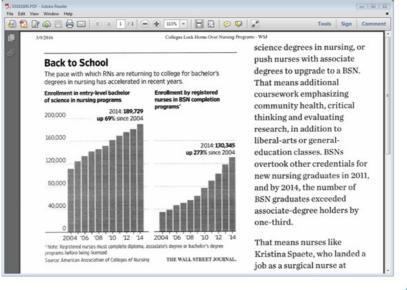
\*Assumes Aspen's \$7,350 LTV



### Aspen University Capturing ~2% Of BSN Completion Starts

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# Approximately 140K RNs currently enrolled in BSN Completion programs; or approx. 50,000 new enrolls/year





### Aspen University (Nursing + Other) Unit Economics Among Best In Sector

- Low customer acquisition costs and variable teaching costs create highly attractive unit economics – projecting 68%+ Gross Margins at scale
  - Average course completions per student enrollment is 8 = \$7,350\* revenue (average \$820 tuition/ course today and rising), earned over 4+ years
  - Direct Cost ~\$2,300
    - Student acquisition cost ~ \$1,124
    - Teaching cost ~ \$1,175 (average)
      - Hybrid faculty model (Full-Time/Adjunct Faculty)
      - <\$150 per student course completion
      - Save ~\$50,000 annual per F-T conversion
- Gross Profit/New Student Enrollment ~ \$5,050

\*Assumes \$600 of misc. revenue/student





### Growth Vector 2: Pre-Licensure BSN Hybrid Online/Campus Program



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Pre-Licensure BSN Program: (Hybrid Online/Campus Program) 100,000 Pre-Licensure BSN Starts per Annum (TAM: - \$3B)\*

\*Assumes Aspen's \$30,000 LTV projection



# Aspen University Pre-Licensure BSN: Launched First campus in Phoenix in July, 2018

- 3-Year BSN program is 120 credits 69% online, 31% on ground
- Approved by the AZ BON, AZPPSE, State of Colorado, DEAC
- Have clinical partnerships in PHX (Maricopa Integrated Health System and Honor Health)
- Unique compared to other pre-licensure BSN programs
  - · Majority of courses online
  - Tuition price point (will be first <\$50,000 in U.S.)
  - 9 strategically placed seminars throughout program
    - Attitudes and behaviors
    - · Connecting all content together with experts
- First Semester (and academic year) already at capacity; just announced night/weekend program starting January, 2019

Forecasting \$10mm+ Annual Revenue Run Rate Per Campus, 4-5 Years Out



# Growth Vector 3: Doctoral Students – Fully Online

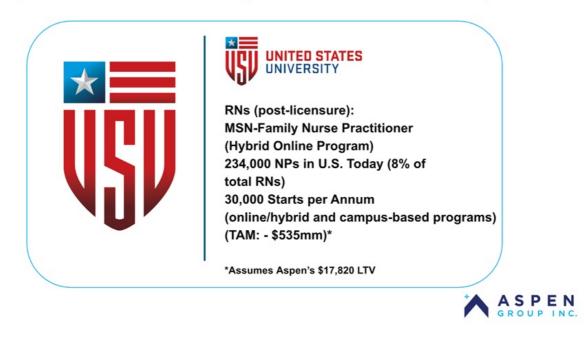




# Growth Vector 4: RNs – MSN/FNP Hybrid Online Program

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• USU to become the university of choice for preparing sixfigure Nurse Practitioners (\$27K: \$375 for 72 months)



# Q1 FY'19 KPI Results—Cost of Enrollment, LTV & Marketing Efficiency Ratio (MER)

	Enrollments	Cost-of- Enrollment*	LTV**	MER
Aspen (Nursing + Other)	882	\$1,268	\$7,350	5.8X
Aspen (Doctoral)	118	\$2,169	\$12,600	5.8X
USU (FNP + Other)	221	\$1,783	\$17,820	10.0X

\*Based on a six-month rolling average

\*\*LTV projections are not yet available for the new BSN pre-licensure campus unit (preliminary estimate is \$30,000)



# Q4 Fiscal Year 2018 Results

Revenues		\$ 7,225,029
Operating expenses		
	Cost of revenues	3,571,005
	General and administrative	5,353,495
	Program review settlement expense	
	Depreciation and amortization	460,314
		9,384,814
Operating loss from opera	itions	(2,159,785)
Other income (expense):		
	Other income	61,694
	Gain on extinguishment of warrant liability	
	Interest expense	(1,566,394)
	Loss on Debt Extinguishment	
		(1,504,700)
Loss from operations befo	pre income taxes	(3,664,485)
Income tax expense (ben	efit)	
Net loss		\$ (3,664,485)
Adjusted EBITDA		\$ (1,020,004)



# Equity Snapshot

- Closed on \$23mm equity raise on April 23, terminated \$10mm credit facility following day
- Cash on hand ~\$11.5mm (7/2018)

Ticker on Nasdaq:ASPUShare Price:\$7.90	
Share Price: \$7.90	
52 Week Range: \$5.35 - \$9.61	
Market Cap: \$145 Million	
Shares Outstanding : 18.3 Million	
Mgmt & BOD Ownership: 19%	









# Q1 FY'19 KPI Results—Enrollments

### NEW ENROLLMENT METHODOLOGY

(Unconditional Accepts only)

	Q1'18	Q2′18	Q3′18	Q4′18	Q1'19	EAs	Enrolls/Month/EA
Aspen (Nursing + Other)	862*	1,044*	972*	980	882	51	5.8
Aspen (Doctoral)				116	118	5	7.9
USU (FNP + Other)				177	221	11	6.7
Aspen (Pre- Licensure BSN, AZ Campus)					<u>93</u>	<u>3</u>	10.3
Total	862	1,044	972	1,273	1,314	70	

\*Included doctoral enrollments



# Q4 FY'18 - Subsidiary KPIs

	AGI Consolidated		AU	USU
Revenues	\$7,225,029	%68 YOY		
			Ratios as a Percentage of AU Revenue	Ratios as a Percentage of USU Revenue
Instructional costs	\$1,531,173		18%	38%
Marketing costs	\$2,039,832		23%	35%
Gross Profit	\$3,506,254		57%	27%
General & Administrative expenses	\$5,353,495		27%	103%



# Q4 FY'18 Net (Loss)/Income, Adjusted EBITDA and EPS

	Consolidated	AGI	AU	USU
Net (Loss)/Income	\$ (3,664,485)	\$ (3.28M)	\$ 0.9M	\$(1.29M)
Adjusted EBITDA	\$ (1,020,004)	\$ (1.41M)	\$ 1.37M	\$(.98M)
Net Loss Per Share	(\$0.26)			
Adjusted Net Loss Per Share*	(\$0.15)			

st Excluding the one time interest expense related to the early extinguishment of the \$10M credit facility.



# Net Loss to Adjusted EBITDA Reconciliation (Q4 FY'18)

Net Loss	(\$3,664,485)
Interest Expense	1,504,701
Depreciation & Amortization	<u>460,314</u>
EBITDA	(1,699,470)
Bad Debt Expense	317,222
Stock-Based Compensation	176,098
Non-recurring Charges	<u>186,146</u>
Adjusted EBITDA (Loss)	<u>(\$1,020,004)</u>

