UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION January 13, 2012

ORDER GRANTING CONFIDENTIAL TREATMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Bridgepoint Education, Inc.

File No. 001-34272 - CF#27495

Bridgepoint Education, Inc. submitted an application under Rule 24b-2 requesting confidential treatment for information it excluded from the Exhibits to a Form 10-Q filed on November 1, 2011, as amended on December 16, 2011.

Based on representations by Bridgepoint Education, Inc. that this information qualifies as confidential commercial or financial information under the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552(b)(4), the Division of Corporation Finance has determined not to publicly disclose it. Accordingly, excluded information from the following exhibit(s) will not be released to the public for the time period(s) specified:

Exhibit 10.3 through November 1, 2021 Exhibit 10.4 through March 31, 2020

For the Commission, by the Division of Corporation Finance, pursuant to delegated authority:

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