

Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On November 3, 2005, Stage Stores, Inc. (the "Company") issued a news release announcing the Company's October sales and updating sales and earnings guidance. A copy of the news release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(c) Exhibits.

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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.

STAGE STORES, INC.

November 7, 2005
(Date)

/s/ Michael E. McCreery
Michael E. McCreery
Executive Vice President and
Chief Financial Officer