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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): February 2, 2005

MENTOR CORPORATION

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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

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):

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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 February 2, 2005, Mentor Corporation issued a press release announcing its financial results for the three and nine months ended December 31, 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

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Exhibit No. Exhibit Title or Description

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Press Release of Mentor Corporation, dated February 2, 2005 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: February 2, 2005

<u>/s/JOSHUA H. LEVINE</u> Joshua H. Levine Chief Executive Officer

Date: February 2, 2005

<u>/s/LOREN L. MCFARLAND</u> Loren L. McFarland Chief Financial Officer