

TRIAD HOSPITALS INC  
Form 8-K  
January 10, 2006

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**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

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**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) January 9, 2006**

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**TRIAD HOSPITALS, INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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**DELAWARE**  
(State or Other Jurisdiction  
of Incorporation)

**001-14695**  
(Commission File Number)

**75-2816101**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**5800 Tennyson Parkway**  
**Plano, Texas**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**75024**  
(Zip Code)

**(214) 473-7000**  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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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)
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  - ..  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))
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**Item 2.02 Results of Operations and Financial Condition.**

On January 9, 2006, Triad Hospitals, Inc. (the Company ) issued a press release announcing, among other things, certain preliminary unaudited financial results for the three months and fiscal year ended December 31, 2005. The Company also announced earnings guidance for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2006. A copy of the press release is furnished herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference. Such information shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, nor shall it be deemed to be incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific reference in such filing.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press Release issued by Triad Hospitals, Inc. on January 9, 2006.

SIGNATURE

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

TRIAD HOSPITALS, INC.

By: /s/ REBECCA HURLEY  
Rebecca Hurley  
Senior Vice President  
and General Counsel

Date: January 9, 2006

EXHIBIT INDEX

**Exhibit No. Description**

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