# 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

### August 16, 2006

(Date of Report, date of earliest event reported)

## Stage Stores, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

#### 1-14035

(Commission File Number)

**NEVADA** 

91-1826900

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

10201 Main Street, Houston, Texas

77025

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

#### (800) 579-2302

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

### **Not Applicable**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

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:

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### Item 2.02.

## Results of Operations and Financial Condition.

On August 16, 2006, Stage Stores, Inc. (the "Company") issued a news release (the "News Release") announcing that it will delay the release of its second quarter results pending the completion of an internal review of its inventory valuation methodology; that, as such, the Company's previously provided earnings guidance for the 2006 second quarter and 2006 fiscal year should no longer be relied upon; and that the Company will issue its second quarter results as soon as practicable.

A copy of the News Release is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.

Item 7.01.

Regulation FD Disclosure.

See the News Release, a copy of which is attached to this Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.

Item 9.01.

Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

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News Release issued by Stage Stores, Inc. on August 16, 2006.

#### **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.

August 18, 2006

(Date)

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