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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, DC 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, 2012

# NICHOLAS FINANCIAL, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its Charter)

British Columbia, Canada 0-26680 8736-3354
(State or Other Jurisdiction of (Commission (I.R.S. Employer

Incorporation or Organization) File Number) Identification No.)

2454 McMullen Booth Road, Building C

Clearwater, Florida 33759
(Address of Principal Executive Offices) (Zip Code)

(727) 726-0763

(Registrant s telephone number, Including area code)

Not applicable

(Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report)

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- " 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

**February 2, 2012** Clearwater, Florida - Nicholas Financial, Inc. (NASDAQ: NICK) ) announced that for the three months ended December 31, 2011 net earnings increased 20% to \$5,363,000 as compared to \$4,475,000 for the three months ended December 31, 2010. Per share diluted net earnings increased 18% to \$0.45 as compared to \$0.38 for the three months ended December 31, 2010. Revenue increased 7% to \$17,140,000 for the three months ended December 31, 2011 as compared to \$15,995,000 for the three months ended December 31, 2010.

#### **Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits**

#### Exhibit # Description

99.1 Press release dated February 2, 2012.

#### **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.

## NICHOLAS FINANCIAL, INC.

(Registrant)

Date: February 2, 2012 /s/ Peter L. Vosotas

Peter L. Vosotas

Chairman, President, Chief Executive Officer

(Principal Executive Officer)

Date: February 2, 2012 /s/ Ralph T. Finkenbrink

Ralph T. Finkenbrink

Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer (Principal Financial Officer and Accounting Officer)

## **Exhibit Index**

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