

SCHULMAN A INC  
Form 8-K  
May 16, 2011

**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**

**Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): May 16, 2011**

**A. SCHULMAN, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

**0-7459**

**34-0514850**

(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**3550 West Market Street,  
Akron, Ohio**

**44333**

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: **(330) 666-3751**

(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:

- 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 8.01 OTHER EVENTS.**

On May 16, 2011, A. Schulman, Inc. (the Company ) issued a press release announcing that its Board of Directors has approved a new share repurchase program under which the Company is authorized to repurchase up to \$100 million of its common stock in the open market or in privately negotiated transactions, subject to market and other conditions (the Program ). The Program replaces the Company s current share repurchase program, under which approximately 2.3 million shares remained authorized for repurchase. The Program may be modified, suspended or terminated by the Company at any time. A copy of the press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

**ITEM 9.01 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS.**

(d) Exhibits.

Exhibit Number	Description
99.1	Press Release, dated May 16, 2011.

**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.

**A. Schulman, Inc.**

By: /s/ David C. Minc  
David C. Minc  
Vice President, Chief Legal Officer  
and Secretary

Date: May 16, 2011