# 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): February 29, 2012

Carter's, Inc. (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation) 001-31829 (Commission File Number) 13-3912933 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

The Proscenium, 1170 Peachtree Street NE, Suite 900 Atlanta, Georgia 30309 (Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

(404) 745-2700 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

(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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- o Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- o 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 29, 2012, Carter's, Inc. issued a press release announcing its financial results for its fourth quarter and fiscal year ended December 31, 2011. A copy of that press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K.

The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K is being furnished and shall not be deemed "filed" for the purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that Section. The information in this Current Report on Form 8-K shall not be incorporated by reference into any registration statement or other document filed pursuant to the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

Exhibits – The following exhibit is furnished as part of this Current Report on Form 8-K.

Exhibit<br/>NumberDescription99.1Press Release of Carter's, Inc., dated February 29, 2012

## Signature

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

February 29, 2012

CARTER'S, INC.

By: Name: Title: /s/ BRENDAN M. GIBBONS Brendan M. Gibbons Senior Vice President of Legal & Corporate Affairs, General Counsel, and Secretary