QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INC Form 8-K January 26, 2006

# 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): January 26, 2006

Commission file number 001-12215

## **Quest Diagnostics Incorporated**

1290 Wall Street West Lyndhurst, NJ 07071 (201) 393-5000

#### Delaware

(State of Incorporation)

#### 16-1387862

(I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)

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### Item 2.02. Results of Operations and Financial Condition

The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 2.02, Results of Operations and Financial Condition. On January 26, 2006, Quest Diagnostics Incorporated issued a press release announcing, among other things, its results for the quarter and twelve months ended December 31, 2005. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

### Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits

### c. Exhibit

99.1 Press release of Quest Diagnostics Incorporated dated January 26, 2006 announcing, among other things, its results for the quarter and twelve months ended December 31, 2005.

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## Signature

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.

January 26, 2006

QUEST DIAGNOSTICS INCORPORATED

By: /s/ Robert A. Hagemann

Robert A. Hagemann Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer