Form **990** 

## **Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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| <u> </u>     | For the 2                  | 2021 calendar year, or tax year beginning $$ JUL $1,$ $2021$  | ل ending      | <u>UN 30, 2022</u>                    |   |
|--------------|----------------------------|---|---------------|---------------------------------------|---|
|              | Check if applicable:       | C Name of organization  |               | D Employer identifi                   | cation number                                       |
|              | Address                    | METHOD SCHOOLS  |               |                                       |   |
|              | Name<br>change             | Doing business as   |               | 46-26861                              | 11  |
|              | Initial<br>return<br>Final | Number and street (or P.0. box if mail is not delivered to street address)  | Room/suite    | E Telephone numbe                     |   |
|              | ⊥return/<br>termin-        |   | OTIE          |                                       |   |
|              | ated<br>☐Amended           | City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code  |               | G Gross receipts \$                   | 6,255,228.  |
| F            | return<br>Applica-         | MORRIEIA, CA 92303  |               | H(a) Is this a group r                |   |
|              | tion<br>pending            | F Name and address of principal officer: JESSICA SPALLINO   |               | for subordinates                      |   |
| _            |                            | SAME AS C ABOVE   |               | H(b) Are all subordinates in          |   |
|              |                            | npt status: X 501(c)(3)   | r 527         | 1                                     | list. See instructions                              |
|              |                            | WWW.METHODSCHOOLS.ORG   | 1             | H(c) Group exemption                  |   |
|              |                            | rganization: X Corporation  | <b>L</b> Year | of formation: 2013                    | M State of legal domicile: CA                       |
| _            | <b>1</b> B                 | riefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: METHO  | D SCH         | OOLS OPERAT                           | ES PUBLIC   |
| Governance   | c                          | HARTER SCHOOLS SERVING STUDENTS IN GRADES   |               |                                       |   |
| rnai         | <b>2</b> C                 | heck this box 🕨 🔲 if the organization discontinued its operations or dispose  | ed of more    | than 25% of its net as                | sets.   |
| Ş.           | 3 N                        | umber of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)  |               | 3                                     | 5   |
|              |                            | umber of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)  |               | 4                                     | 5   |
| တ္           | 5 To                       | otal number of individuals employed in calendar year 2021 (Part V, line 2a)   |               | 5                                     | 93  |
| /itie        | 6 To                       | otal number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)   |               |                                       | 0   |
| Activities & | 7 a To                     | otal unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12   |               |                                       | 0.  |
| _            | b N                        | et unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11   |               | 7b                                    | 0.  |
|              |                            |   |               | Prior Year                            | Current Year  |
| Revenue      | <b>8</b> C                 | ontributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)  |               | 20,714,399.                           | 6,116,570.  |
|              | <b>9</b> P                 | rogram service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)   |               | 0.                                    | 0.  |
|              | <b>10</b> In               | vestment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)   |               | 106,462.                              |   |
| Œ            | 11 0                       | ther revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)   |               | 74,387.                               | ·   |
| _            | <b>12</b> To               | otal revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)   |               | 20,895,248.                           | 6,255,228.  |
|              | <b>13</b> G                | rants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)   |               | 0.                                    | 0.  |
|              | <b>14</b> B                | enefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)  |               | 0.                                    |   |
| S            | <b>15</b> S                | alaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)  |               | 7,329,014.                            |   |
| Expenses     | <b>16a</b> P               | rofessional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)  |               | 0.                                    | 0.  |
| xpe          | <b>b</b> To                |   | 0.            |                                       |   |
| Ш            | '' C                       | ther expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)   |               | 3,644,097.                            | •   |
|              | 18 To                      | otal expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)  |               | 10,973,111.                           |   |
| _            |                            | evenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12   |               | 9,922,137.                            | -3,536,089.   |
| S OF         | <u> </u>                   |   | Ве            | ginning of Current Year               | End of Year   |
| sets         | <b>20</b> To               | otal assets (Part X, line 16)   |               | 27,596,816.                           | 30,090,025.   |
| t As         | <b>21</b> To               | otal liabilities (Part X, line 26)  |               | 1,018,202.                            | 7,047,500.  |
| Net          |                            | et assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20   |               | 26,578,614.                           | 23,042,525.   |
|              |                            | Signature Block   |               |                                       | 1             |
|              |                            | es of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and completes. Declare that I have examined this return, is based on all information of which |               |                                       | y knowledge and belief, it is                       |
| true         | , correct,                 |   | cn preparer   | $\frac{\text{nas any knowledge.}}{1}$ | <del>/23/2023                                </del> |
| ۵.           |                            | Mark Holly<br>Signstymetations  |               | I<br>Date                             |   |
| Sig          | Ι,                         | MARK HOLLEY, CBO  |               | Dato                                  |   |
| Her          | re                         | Type or print name and title  |               |                                       |   |
|              | <del>'</del>               |   | Ιr            | Date Check [                          | PTIN  |
| Dair         |                            | Print/Type preparer's name Print/Type preparer's signature Print/Type preparer's HUANG Preparer's Signature MEI-LI HUANG  |               | 1/23/23 self-employ                   |   |
| Paid         |                            | irm's name CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP   | <u> </u> U    | Firm's EIN                            | 41-0746749  |
|              |                            | irm's address 2210 EAST ROUTE 66  |               | FITTI S EIN                           | U/-U/-J   |
| 036          | Jy                         | GLENDORA, CA 91740  |               | Phone no. (6                          | 26) 857-7300  |
| May          | v the IRS                  | discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions   |               | Ti none no. ( O                       | X Yes No  |
| ·via         | ,                          | and the retain with the property enowin above: Occ methodions   |               |                                       | 100110  |

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|------|--|---------------------------|--------|
| Pa   | rt III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments  |                           |        |
|      | Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III                                       |                           |        |
| 1    | Briefly describe the organization's mission:   |                           |        |
| •    | TO PROVIDE INNOVATIVE TOOLS AND EDUCATIONAL PRACTICES TO   | MAYTMTZE                  |        |
|      | PERSONALIZATION AND EMPOWER STUDENTS TO BECOME PROBLEM S   |                           | -      |
|      | EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATORS, CRITICAL THINKERS, AND CREATIVE   | <u>-</u>                  |        |
|      | EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATORS, CRITICAL INTINCERS, AND CREATIVE  | INNOVATORS.               |        |
|      |  |                           |        |
| 2    | Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the       |                           |        |
|      | prior Form 990 or 990-EZ?  | Yes                       | X No   |
|      | If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O.   |                           |        |
| 3    | Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services?       | Yes                       | X No   |
|      | If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O.  |                           |        |
| 4    | Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as     | measured by expenses.     |        |
|      | Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to other | rs, the total expenses, a | nd     |
|      | revenue, if any, for each program service reported.  | , , ,                     |        |
| 4a   | (Code:) (Expenses \$ 7 , 984 , 232 • including grants of \$) (Rever  | nue \$                    |        |
| 14   | OPERATION OF PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS PROVIDING EDUCATION  |                           | TN '   |
|      | GRADES K-12. METHOD SCHOOLS IS AN INDEPENDENT STUDY PROG   |                           |        |
|      | A BLENDED ENVIRONMENT WHICH COMBINES ONLINE CURRICULUM W   |                           |        |
|      | VIRTUAL TEACHER INSTRUCTION. THE SCHOOL HAS MULTIPLE TRA   |                           |        |
|      |  |                           |        |
|      | YEAR-ROUND ENROLLMENT ACCESS FOR STUDENTS. THE SCHOOL SE   | K A E D                   |        |
|      | APPROXIMATELY 1661 STUDENTS.   |                           |        |
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| 4b   | (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Rever  | nue \$                    |        |
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| 4c   | (Code:) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Rever  | nue \$                    | )      |
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| 4d   | Other program services (Describe on Schedule O.)   |                           |        |
|      | (Expenses \$ including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$  | )                         |        |
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|         |   |          | Yes | No   |
|---------|---|----------|-----|------|
| 1       | Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)?   |          | 100 | 110  |
| •       | If "Yes," complete Schedule A   | 1        | х   |      |
| 2       | Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? See instructions   | 2        |     | X    |
| 3       | Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for   |          |     |      |
| Ü       |   | 3        |     | Х    |
| 4       | public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I  Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect                                    | ا ا      |     |      |
| 7       |   | 4        |     | Х    |
| _       | during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II   | ┝╼       |     | - 25 |
| 5       | Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or  | 5        |     | Х    |
| 6       | similar amounts as defined in Rev. Proc. 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III   | <u> </u> |     |      |
| 6       | Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to   | _        |     | Х    |
| -       | provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I  | 6        |     | 21   |
| 7       | Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space,   | _        |     | Х    |
| 0       | the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II  | 7        |     | - 25 |
| 8       | Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete  |          |     | Х    |
| •       | Schedule D, Part III  | 8        |     | - 25 |
| 9       | Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability, serve as a custodian for   |          |     |      |
|         | amounts not listed in Part X; or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services?   | _        |     | Х    |
| 40      | If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV  | 9        |     |      |
| 10      | Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments  |          |     | х    |
|         | or in quasi endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V   | 10       |     |      |
| 11      | If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X,   |          |     |      |
|         | as applicable.  |          |     |      |
| а       | Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D,   |          | Х   |      |
|         | Part VI   | 11a      | Λ   |      |
| D       | Did the organization report an amount for investments - other securities in Part X, line 12, that is 5% or more of its total  | 446      |     | Х    |
| _       | assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII   | 11b      |     | - 25 |
| C       | Did the organization report an amount for investments - program related in Part X, line 13, that is 5% or more of its total   | 44.      |     | Х    |
|         | assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII  | 11c      |     | Λ    |
| a       | Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15, that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in   |          |     | Х    |
|         | Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX   | 11d      | Х   | Λ    |
|         | Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X   | 11e      | Λ   |      |
| f       | Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses   | 444      | х   |      |
| 100     | the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X  | 11f      | 21  |      |
| ıza     | Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete   | 400      | х   |      |
|         | Schedule D, Parts XI and XII  | 12a      | Λ   |      |
| D       | Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year?   | 105      |     | х    |
| 40      | If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional   | 12b      | Х   | Λ    |
| 13      | Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E   | 13       | Λ   | Х    |
| 14a     | Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?   | 14a      |     | - 72 |
| b       | Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business,   |          |     |      |
|         | investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000  | 114      |     | х    |
| 15      | or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV  | 14b      |     | 21   |
| 15      | Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any   | 15       |     | х    |
| 40      | foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV  | 15       |     | Λ    |
| 16      | Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to  | 16       |     | х    |
| 47      | or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV   | 16       |     | - 25 |
| 17      | Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX,   | 17       |     | Х    |
| 10      | column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I. See instructions  Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines        | 17       |     | - 22 |
| 18      |   | 10       |     | х    |
| 10      | 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II   | 18       |     | 21   |
| 19      | Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes,"  | 10       |     | х    |
| 20-     | complete Schedule G, Part III   | 19       |     | X    |
| 20a     | Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H   | 20a      |     | - 73 |
| р<br>31 | If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?  Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to any domestic organization or | 20b      |     |      |
| 21      | domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 12, if "You " complete Schodule I. Parts Land II.  | 21       |     | x    |

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| Pai  | Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)  |                |     |             |
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|      |  |                | Yes | No          |
| 22   | Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on  |                |     |             |
|      | Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III  | 22             |     | X           |
| 23   | Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5, about compensation of the organization's current  |                |     |             |
|      | and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete   |                |     |             |
|      | Schedule J   | 23             | X   |             |
| 24a  | Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the  |                |     |             |
|      | last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete   |                |     |             |
|      | Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a  | 24a            |     | X           |
| b    | Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?  | 24b            |     |             |
|      | Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease   |                |     |             |
|      | any tax-exempt bonds?  | 24c            |     |             |
| d    | Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?  | 24d            |     |             |
|      | Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit   |                |     |             |
|      | transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I  | 25a            |     | x           |
| h    | Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and   | 200            |     |             |
|      | that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes." complete  |                |     |             |
|      |  | 256            |     | X           |
| 26   | Schedule L, Part I  Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22, for receivables from or payables to any current  | 25b            |     | <u> </u>    |
| 26   |  |                |     |             |
|      | or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35%  | 00             |     | x           |
|      | controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II   | 26             |     |             |
| 27   | Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee,  |                |     |             |
|      | creator or founder, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled  |                |     | <b></b>     |
|      | entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III   | 27             |     | X           |
| 28   | Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see the Schedule L, Part IV,   |                |     |             |
|      | instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):  |                |     |             |
| а    | A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? If   |                |     | l           |
|      | "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV  | 28a            |     | X           |
| b    | A family member of any individual described in line 28a? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV  | 28b            |     | X           |
| С    | A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in line 28a or 28b? If   |                |     |             |
|      | "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV  | 28c            |     | X           |
| 29   | Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M   | 29             |     | X           |
| 30   | Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation  |                |     |             |
|      | contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M   | 30             |     | X           |
| 31   | Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I   | 31             |     | X           |
| 32   | Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete   |                |     |             |
|      | Schedule N, Part II  | 32             |     | X           |
| 33   | Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations   |                |     |             |
|      | sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I  | 33             |     | X           |
| 34   | Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and  |                |     |             |
|      | Part V, line 1   | 34             |     | X           |
| 35 a | Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?  | 35a            |     | Х           |
|      | If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity  |                |     |             |
| _    | within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2  | 35b            |     |             |
| 36   | Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?   |                |     |             |
|      | If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2  | 36             |     | x           |
| 37   | Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization   |                |     | _ <u></u>   |
| 0.   | and that is treated as a mathematic for fordered income to company of the company | 37             |     | x           |
| 38   | Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations on Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19?   | <del>ے''</del> |     | <del></del> |
| 00   | Notes All Form 200 files are applied to constitute Octobrillo  | 38             | Х   |             |
| Pai  |  | _ 55           |     |             |
|      | Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V   |                |     |             |
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| 10   | Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable 18  |                | 162 | 140         |
|      | Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable 1a 15  Enter the number of Forms W-2G included on line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable 1b 0   |                |     |             |
|      | Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming   |                |     |             |
| C    |  | 10             | Х   |             |
|      | (gambling) winnings to prize winners?  | 1c             |     | (2021)      |

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Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

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| ı aı           | Statements negaring other in 3 mings and rax compliance (continued)  |          |     |    |
|----------------|--|----------|-----|----|
| 0-             | Establishment of control of Establishment of Control of |          | Yes | No |
| 2a             | Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return 93   |          |     |    |
|                |  | 01-      | Х   |    |
| D              | If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?   | 2b       | Λ   |    |
| 2-             | <b>Note:</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file. See instructions.   | 20       |     | Х  |
|                | Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?  | 3a<br>3b |     | -  |
|                | If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? <i>If</i> "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O  At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a  | 30       |     |    |
| <del>4</del> a | financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?   | 4a       |     | x  |
| h              | If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country  | та       |     | -  |
|                | See instructions for filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).  |          |     |    |
| 5a             | Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?  | 5a       |     | х  |
| b              | Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?   | 5b       |     | X  |
|                | If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?  | 5c       |     |    |
|                | Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit  |          |     |    |
|                | any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?  | 6a       |     | Х  |
| b              | If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts   |          |     |    |
|                | were not tax deductible?   | 6b       |     |    |
| 7              | Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).  |          |     |    |
| а              | Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?  | 7a       |     | Х  |
| b              | If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?  | 7b       |     |    |
| С              | Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required  |          |     |    |
|                | to file Form 8282?   | 7с       |     | Х  |
| d              | If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year  |          |     |    |
| е              | Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?  | 7e       |     | X  |
| f              | Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?   | 7f       |     | X  |
| g              | If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?   | 7g       |     |    |
| h              | If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?   | 7h       |     |    |
| 8              | Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the   |          |     |    |
|                | sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?   | 8        |     |    |
| 9              | Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.  |          |     |    |
| а              | Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?   | 9a       |     |    |
| b              | Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?  | 9b       |     |    |
| 10             | Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:  |          |     |    |
| а              | Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12   |          |     |    |
| b              | Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities  |          |     |    |
| 11             | Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter:   |          |     |    |
| а              | Gross income from members or shareholders 11a  |          |     |    |
| b              | Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against  |          |     |    |
| 10-            | amounts due or received from them.)  Continue 1007(-)(1) many appropriate to be situated to the appropriate of the propriate  | 40-      |     |    |
|                | Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?   | 12a      |     |    |
| 13             | If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year  |          |     |    |
|                | Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?   | 13a      |     |    |
| а              | Note: See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.  | IJa      |     |    |
| b              | Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the   |          |     |    |
| -              | organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans   |          |     |    |
| С              | Enter the amount of reserves on hand   |          |     |    |
| 14a            | Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?   | 14a      |     | Х  |
|                | If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O  | 14b      |     |    |
| 15             | Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or  |          |     |    |
|                | excess parachute payment(s) during the year?   | 15       |     | x  |
|                | If "Yes," see the instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.   |          |     |    |
| 16             | Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income?  | 16       |     | Х  |
|                | If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.  |          |     |    |
| 17             | Section 501(c)(21) organizations. Did the trust, any disqualified person, or mine operator engage in any   |          |     |    |
|                | activities that would result in the imposition of an excise tax under section 4951, 4952 or 4953?  | 17       |     |    |
|                | If "Yes," complete Form 6069.  |          |     |    |

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Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure. For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes on Schedule O. See instructions.

|     | Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI  |          |         | X   |
|-----|--|----------|---------|-----|
| Sec |  |          |         |     |
|     |  |          | Yes     | No  |
| 1a  | Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year  | 5        |         |     |
|     | If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing  |          |         |     |
|     | body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain on Schedule O.  |          |         |     |
| b   | If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated bread authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain on Schedule 0.  1b Enter the number of voting members included on line 1a, above, who are independent  1c) Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employees to a management company or other person?  1c) Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?  1c) Did the organization have make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?  1d) Did the organization have members or stockholders?  1d) Did the organization have members or stockholders?  1d) Did the organization have members or stockholders?  1d) Did the organization have members or stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?  1b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?  1d) Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:  1 The governing body?  2 Did the organization study officer, or trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses on Schedule O.  2 Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?  2 Dif "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization is exempt purposes?  2 Did the organization have a written with the org |          |         |     |
| 2   |  |          |         |     |
|     |  | 2        |         | Х   |
| 3   |  |          |         |     |
|     | of efficient diseases, to obtain a large series of the contract of the contrac | 3        |         | Х   |
| 4   |  |          |         | Х   |
| 5   |  | 5        |         | Х   |
| 6   | Did the assessing the form of such as a such as the literature.  | 6        |         | х   |
| _   |  |          |         |     |
|     |  | 7a       |         | х   |
| h   |  | 1.5      |         |     |
| -   | and the state of t | 7b       |         | х   |
| 8   |  |          |         |     |
|     |  | 8a       | х       |     |
| _   |  | 8b       |         | х   |
| 9   |  | 00       |         |     |
| 3   |  | 9        |         | х   |
| Sec | tion B. Policies (This Costian D. requests information about policies not required by the Internal Devenue Code)   | 9        | l       |     |
|     | This Section B requests miormation about policies not required by the internal nevertile Code.)  |          | Yes     | No  |
| 10a | Did the organization have local chanters, branches, or affiliates?   | 10a      | 103     | X   |
|     | •  | 104      |         |     |
|     |  | 10b      |         |     |
| 115 |  | 11a      | Х       |     |
|     |  | 1 Ia     |         |     |
|     |  | 12a      | Х       |     |
|     | , <b>y</b>   | 12b      | X       |     |
|     |  | 120      | 25      |     |
| C   |  | 100      | х       |     |
| 40  |  | 12c      | Λ       | Х   |
| 13  |  | 13       | Х       |     |
| 14  |  | 14       | ^       |     |
| 15  |  |          |         |     |
|     |  |          | v       |     |
|     |  | 15a      | X       |     |
| b   |  | 15b      | X       |     |
|     | •  |          |         |     |
| 16a |  |          |         | 37  |
|     |  | 16a      |         | X   |
| b   |  |          |         |     |
|     |  |          |         |     |
|     |  | 16b      |         |     |
| Sec |  |          |         |     |
| 17  | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·  |          |         |     |
| 18  |  | )s only) | availal | ole |
|     | for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.  |          |         |     |
|     | X Own website Another's website X Upon request Other (explain on Schedule O)   |          |         |     |
| 19  | Describe on Schedule O whether (and if so, how) the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, at   | nd finan | cial    |     |
|     | statements available to the public during the tax year.  |          |         |     |
| 20  | State the name, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records   |          |         |     |
|     | STEFANIE BRYANT, CFO - 626-408-5882  |          |         |     |
|     | 39750 CKV CANVON DOTTE MIDDIETA CA 92563   |          |         |     |

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# Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VII

#### Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

- 1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.
- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
  - List all of the organization's current key employees, if any. See the instructions for definition of "key employee."
- List the organization's five current highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (box 5 of Form W-2, Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

| (A)                                    | (B)  |                  | (C)  |             |  |                     |  | (D)   | (E)   | (F)   |
|--|--|------------------|--|-------------|--|---------------------|--|---|---|---|
| Name and title                         | Average hours per  |                  | Position<br>(do not check more to<br>box, unless person is |             |  | e than one          |  | Reportable compensation                                     | Reportable compensation                                       | Estimated<br>amount of  |
|  | week (list any hours for related organizations below line) | stee or director | Institutional trustee                                      | Officer B o |  | Highest compensated |  | from<br>the<br>organization<br>(W-2/1099-MISC/<br>1099-NEC) | from related<br>organizations<br>(W-2/1099-MISC/<br>1099-NEC) | other<br>compensation<br>from the<br>organization<br>and related<br>organizations |
| (1) JESSICA SPALLINO                   | 40.00  |                  |  |             |  |                     |  |   | •   | 40 504  |
| CEO                                    | 40.00  |                  |  | Х           |  |                     |  | 228,848.  | 0.  | 13,791  |
| (2) MARK HOLLEY CHIEF BUSINESS OFFICER | 40.00  | 1                |  | х           |  |                     |  | 204 220   | 0.  | 12 007  |
| (3) JANA SOSNOWSKI                     | 40.00  |                  |  |             |  |                     |  | 204,338.  | 0.  | 12,887  |
| GENERAL MANAGER                        | 40.00  | 1                |  |             |  | x                   |  | 139,464.  | 0.  | 0   |
| (4) SUZANNE FERNANDEZ                  | 40.00  |                  |  |             |  |                     |  |   | <u> </u>  |   |
| HEAD OF SCHOOLS                        |  |                  |  |             |  | Х                   |  | 126,717.  | 0.  | 7,018   |
| (5) STEFANIE BRYANT<br>CFO             | 40.00  |                  |  | X           |  |                     |  | 65,674.   | 0.  | 4,682   |
| (6) TYLER ROBERTS TREASURER            | 2.00   | Х                |  | Х           |  |                     |  | 5,600.  | 0.  | 0   |
| (7) STEVEN DORSEY PRESIDENT            | 2.00   | х                |  | х           |  |                     |  | 4,150.  | 0.  | 0   |
| (8) SHANNON CLARK<br>VICE PRESIDENT    | 2.00   | x                |  | X           |  |                     |  | 4,150.  | 0.  | 0   |
| (9) GLORIA VARGAS<br>SECRETARY         | 2.00   | х                |  | X           |  |                     |  | 4,150.  | 0.  | 0   |
| (10) CAROLYN ANDREWS<br>MEMBER         | 2.00   | х                |  |             |  |                     |  | 4,150.  | 0.  | 0   |
|  |  |                  |  |             |  |                     |  |   |   |   |
|  |  |                  |  |             |  |                     |  |   |   |   |
|  |  |                  |  |             |  |                     |  |   |   |   |
|  |  |                  |  |             |  |                     |  |   |   |   |
|  |  |                  |  |             |  |                     |  |   |   |   |
|  |  |                  |  |             |  |                     |  |   |   |   |
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Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than

\$100,000 of compensation from the organization

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Part VIII Statement of Revenue Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII (B) (C) Related or exempt Unrelated Revenue excluded Total revenue from tax under function revenue business revenue sections 512 - 514 Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts 1 a Federated campaigns 1b **b** Membership dues ..... c Fundraising events ..... 1c 1d d Related organizations 6,116,570. 1e e Government grants (contributions) f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above ... 1f g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f  $\triangleright$  6,116,570. h Total. Add lines 1a-1f **Business Code** 2 a Program Service Revenue f All other program service revenue ..... g Total. Add lines 2a-2f Investment income (including dividends, interest, and 88,931. 88,931 other similar amounts) 4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds 5 Royalties ..... (i) Real (ii) Personal 6 a Gross rents 6b **b** Less: rental expenses ... c Rental income or (loss) d Net rental income or (loss) (i) Securities (ii) Other 7 a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory 7a b Less: cost or other basis Other Revenue and sales expenses 7b c Gain or (loss) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_7c d Net gain or (loss) 8 a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 **b** Less: direct expenses c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events 9 a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 **b** Less: direct expenses 9b c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities 10 a Gross sales of inventory, less returns 10a and allowances **b** Less: cost of goods sold c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory **Business Code** 49,727. 49,727 11 a MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE 900099 d All other revenue 49,727. e Total. Add lines 11a-11d 255,228. 138,658. **12 Total revenue.** See instructions

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Part IX | Statement of Functional Expenses

| Secti | ion 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must comp  |                |                              | nplete column (A).              |                         |
|-------|--|----------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
|       | Check if Schedule O contains a respons   | (A)            | this Part IX(B)              | (C)                             | (D)                     |
|       | not include amounts reported on lines 6b,<br>8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.                         | Total expenses | (B) Program service expenses | Management and general expenses | Fundraising<br>expenses |
| 1     | Grants and other assistance to domestic organizations  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| 2     | Grants and other assistance to domestic  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | individuals. See Part IV, line 22  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| 3     | Grants and other assistance to foreign   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | organizations, foreign governments, and foreign  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| 4     | Benefits paid to or for members  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| 5     | Compensation of current officers, directors,   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | trustees, and key employees  | 722,812.       | 614,392.                     | 108,420.                        |                         |
| 6     | Compensation not included above to disqualified  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| 7     | Other salaries and wages   | 5,395,408.     | 4,568,995.                   | 826,413.                        |                         |
| 8     | Pension plan accruals and contributions (include   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)  | 162,610.       | 137,671.                     | 24,939.                         |                         |
| 9     | Other employee benefits  | 683,723.       | 579,077.                     | 104,646.                        |                         |
| 10    | Payroll taxes  | 441,706.       | 374,198.                     | 67,508.                         |                         |
| 11    | Fees for services (nonemployees):  |                |                              |                                 | <u> </u>                |
| а     | Management   | 105,962.       |                              | 105,962.                        |                         |
| b     | Legal  | 3,705.         |                              | 3,705.                          |                         |
| С     | · [  | 66,892.        |                              | 66,892.                         |                         |
| d     | Lobbying   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| е     | Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| f     | Investment management fees   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| g     | Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25,   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| •     | column (A), amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch 0.)  | 174,673.       | 171,694.                     | 2,979.                          |                         |
| 12    | Advertising and promotion  | 117,748.       | 7,691.                       | 110,057.                        |                         |
| 13    | Office expenses  | 88,332.        | 54,914.                      | 33,418.                         |                         |
| 14    | Information technology   | 533,490.       | 478,195.                     | 55,295.                         |                         |
| 15    | Royalties  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| 16    | Occupancy  | 373,385.       | 196,726.                     | 176,659.                        |                         |
| 17    | Travel   | 9,873.         |                              | 9,873.                          |                         |
| 18    | Payments of travel or entertainment expenses   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | for any federal, state, or local public officials  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| 19    | Conferences, conventions, and meetings   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| 20    | Interest   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| 21    | Payments to affiliates   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| 22    | Depreciation, depletion, and amortization  | 38,115.        |                              | 38,115.                         |                         |
| 23    | Insurance  | 63,345.        |                              | 63,345.                         |                         |
| 24    | Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered   | ·              |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | above. (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.) |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| а     | INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS  | 695,936.       | 695,936.                     |                                 |                         |
| b     | OTHER EXPENSES   | 113,602.       | 104,743.                     | 8,859.                          |                         |
| С     |  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| d     |  |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| е     | All other expenses   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
| 25    | Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e   | 9,791,317.     | 7,984,232.                   | 1,807,085.                      | 0.                      |
| 26    | Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | educational campaign and fundraising solicitation.   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       | Check here if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)   |                |                              |                                 |                         |
|       |  |                |                              |                                 | 000                     |

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Part X | Balance Sheet

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| Par                         | tΧ  | Balance Sheet                                       |             |                       |                                 |            |                           |
|-----------------------------|-----|---|-------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|------------|---------------------------|
|                             |     | Check if Schedule O contains a response or no       | te to an    | y line in this Part X |                                 |            |                           |
|                             |     |   |             |                       | <b>(A)</b><br>Beginning of year |            | <b>(B)</b><br>End of year |
|                             | 1   | Cash - non-interest-bearing                         | 16,276,546. | 1                     | 14,117,492.                     |            |                           |
|                             | 2   | Savings and temporary cash investments              |             |                       | 4,050,679.                      | 2          | 14,972,130.               |
|                             | 3   | Pledges and grants receivable, net                  |             |                       | 7,032,510.                      | 3          | 841,278.                  |
|                             | 4   | Accounts receivable, net                            |             |                       |                                 | 4          |                           |
|                             | 5   | Loans and other receivables from any current of     |             |                       |                                 |            |                           |
|                             |     | trustee, key employee, creator or founder, subs     | tantial c   | ontributor, or 35%    |                                 |            |                           |
|                             |     | controlled entity or family member of any of the    | se pers     | ons                   |                                 | 5          |                           |
|                             | 6   | Loans and other receivables from other disqual      | ified per   | sons (as defined      |                                 |            |                           |
|                             |     | under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons describe     | d in sec    | tion 4958(c)(3)(B)    |                                 | 6          |                           |
| S.                          | 7   | Notes and loans receivable, net                     |             |                       |                                 | 7          |                           |
| Assets                      | 8   | Inventories for sale or use                         |             |                       |                                 | 8          |                           |
| ĕ                           | 9   | Down and design and design at the control           |             |                       | 78,879.                         | 9          | 35,324.                   |
|                             | 10a | Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other       |             |                       |                                 |            |                           |
|                             |     | basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D               | 10a         | 220,172.<br>118,243.  |                                 |            |                           |
|                             | b   | Less: accumulated depreciation                      | 10b         | 118,243.              | 140,044.                        | 10c        | 101,929.                  |
|                             | 11  | Investments - publicly traded securities            |             |                       |                                 | 11         |                           |
|                             | 12  | Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line   |             |                       |                                 | 12         |                           |
|                             | 13  | Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line    |             | 13                    |                                 |            |                           |
|                             | 14  | Intangible assets                                   |             | 14                    |                                 |            |                           |
|                             | 15  | Other assets. See Part IV, line 11                  | 18,158.     | 15                    | 21,872.                         |            |                           |
|                             | 16  | Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equ      |             |                       | 27,596,816.                     | 16         | 30,090,025                |
|                             | 17  | Accounts payable and accrued expenses               |             |                       | 320,686.                        | 17         | 6,017,200.                |
|                             | 18  | Grants payable                                      |             |                       | 18                              | 1 222 252  |                           |
|                             | 19  | Deferred revenue                                    |             |                       | 668,011.                        | 19         | 1,020,863.                |
|                             | 20  | Tax-exempt bond liabilities                         |             |                       |                                 | 20         |                           |
|                             | 21  | Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete     |             |                       |                                 | 21         |                           |
| es                          | 22  | Loans and other payables to any current or form     |             |                       |                                 |            |                           |
| Ħ                           |     | trustee, key employee, creator or founder, subs     |             | · ·                   |                                 |            |                           |
| Liabilities                 |     | controlled entity or family member of any of the    |             |                       |                                 | 22         |                           |
| _                           | 23  | Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrel        |             |                       |                                 | 23         |                           |
|                             | 24  | Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelate       |             |                       |                                 | 24         |                           |
|                             | 25  | Other liabilities (including federal income tax, pa | -           |                       |                                 |            |                           |
|                             |     | parties, and other liabilities not included on line | s 17-24)    | . Complete Part X     | 20 505                          |            | 0 427                     |
|                             |     | of Schedule D                                       |             |                       | 29,505.                         |            | 9,437.                    |
|                             | 26  |   |             | <b>.</b> 77           | 1,018,202.                      | 26         | 7,047,500.                |
| S                           |     | Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, che         | eck her     |                       |                                 |            |                           |
| JCe                         |     | and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.              |             |                       | 26,578,614.                     |            | 22 042 525                |
| alaı                        | 27  |   |             |                       | 20,370,014.                     | 27         | 23,042,525.               |
| d B                         | 28  |   |             |                       |                                 | 28         |                           |
| ٦                           |     | Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 9         | 958, cne    | eck nere              |                                 |            |                           |
| P                           | 00  | and complete lines 29 through 33.                   |             |                       |                                 |            |                           |
| ts                          | 29  | Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds  |             |                       |                                 | 29         |                           |
| Net Assets or Fund Balances | 30  | Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or e |             | Г                     |                                 | 30         |                           |
| et A                        | 31  | Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated in        |             |                       | 26,578,614.                     | 31         | 23,042,525.               |
| ž                           | 32  |   |             |                       | 27,596,816.                     | 32<br>33   | 30,090,025.               |
|                             | 33  | Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances      |             |                       | 21,330,010•                     | <b>ა</b> ა | Form <b>990</b> (2021     |

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|----|---|----------|-------|--|--------------|
| Pa | rt XI Reconciliation of Net Assets  |          |       |  |              |
|    | Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI   | <u></u>  |       |  |              |
|    |   |          |       |  |              |
| 1  | Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)   | 1        | 6,25  |  |              |
| 2  | Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)  | 2        | 9,79  |  |              |
| 3  | Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1  | 3        | -3,53 |  |              |
| 4  | Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))                             | 4        | 26,57 | 8,6  | <u> 14.</u>  |
| 5  | Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments  | 5        |       |  |              |
| 6  | Donated services and use of facilities  | 6        |       |  |              |
| 7  | Investment expenses   | 7        |       |  |              |
| 8  | Prior period adjustments  | 8        |       |  |              |
| 9  | Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)  | 9        |       |  | 0.           |
| 10 | Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32,                    |          |       |  |              |
|    | column (B))   | 10       | 23,04 | 2,5  | <u>25.</u>   |
| Pa | rt XII Financial Statements and Reporting   |          |       |  |              |
|    | Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII  |          |       |  | X            |
|    |   |          |       | Yes  | No           |
| 1  | Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: Cash X Accrual Other  |          | _     |  |              |
|    | If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on Schedule        | Ο.       |       |  |              |
| 2a | Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?                       |          | 2a    |  | X            |
|    | If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed       | on a     |       |  |              |
|    | separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:  |          |       |  |              |
|    | Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis  |          |       |  |              |
| b  | Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?                                    |          | 2b    | X  |              |
|    | If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate      | basis,   |       |  |              |
|    | consolidated basis, or both:  |          |       |  |              |
|    | X Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis  |          |       |  |              |
| С  | If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the    |          |       |  |              |
|    | review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?                        |          | 2c    | X  |              |
|    | If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Sche    |          |       |  |              |
| 3a | As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Sing  |          |       |  |              |
|    | Act and OMB Circular A-133?   |          | За    | <del>                                     </del> | X            |
| b  | If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required | ed audit |       |  |              |
|    | or audits, explain why on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits                              |          | 3b    | 000  |              |
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#### **SCHEDULE A**

(Form 990)

Total

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

### **Public Charity Status and Public Support**

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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Open to Public Inspection

**Employer identification number** Name of the organization METHOD SCHOOLS 46-2686111 Reason for Public Charity Status. (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions. Part I The organization is not a private foundation because it is: (For lines 1 through 12, check only one box.) A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(i). A school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Attach Schedule E (Form 990).) 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state: An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Complete Part II.) 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(v). An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Complete Part II.) A community trust described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Complete Part II.) An agricultural research organization described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix) operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture (see instructions). Enter the name, city, and state of the college or 10 An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions, subject to certain exceptions; and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975. See section 509(a)(2). (Complete Part III.) An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety. See section 509(a)(4). 11 12 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2). See section 509(a)(3). Check the box on lines 12a through 12d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 12e, 12f, and 12g. Type I. A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B. Type II. A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C. Type III functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E. Type III non-functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V. Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization. Enter the number of supported organizations Provide the following information about the supported organization(s). (i) Name of supported (ii) EIN (iii) Type of organization (v) Amount of monetary (vi) Amount of other vour governing document? (described on lines 1-10 organization support (see instructions) support (see instructions) No above (see instructions))

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#### Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi) Part II

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

| Sec  | ction A. Public Support   |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|------|---|-----------------|-----------------|---|-----------|----------|----------------|
| Cale | ndar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►                               | <b>(a)</b> 2017 | <b>(b)</b> 2018 | (c) 2019                                | (d) 2020  | (e) 2021 | (f) Total      |
| 1    | Gifts, grants, contributions, and                                       |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | membership fees received. (Do not                                       |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | include any "unusual grants.")  |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
| 2    | Tax revenues levied for the organ-                                      |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | ization's benefit and either paid to                                    |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | or expended on its behalf   |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
| 3    | The value of services or facilities                                     |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | furnished by a governmental unit to                                     |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | the organization without charge   |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
| 4    | Total. Add lines 1 through 3  |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
| 5    | The portion of total contributions                                      |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | by each person (other than a  |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | governmental unit or publicly   |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | supported organization) included  |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the  |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | amount shown on line 11,  |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | column (f)  |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.                            |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | etion B. Total Support  |                 | # > 00/0        |   | ( ), 2222 |          |                |
|      | ndar year (or fiscal year beginning in)                                 | <b>(a)</b> 2017 | <b>(b)</b> 2018 | (c) 2019                                | (d) 2020  | (e) 2021 | (f) Total      |
|      | Amounts from line 4   |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
| 8    | Gross income from interest,   |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | dividends, payments received on   |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | securities loans, rents, royalties,                                     |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | and income from similar sources   |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
| 9    | Net income from unrelated business                                      |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | activities, whether or not the  |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | business is regularly carried on  |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
| 10   | Other income. Do not include gain                                       |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | or loss from the sale of capital  |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | assets (Explain in Part VI.)  |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | Total support. Add lines 7 through 10                                   |                 | `               |   |           | 10       |                |
|      | Gross receipts from related activities,                                 | •               |                 |   |           | 12       |                |
| 13   | First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the                               | •               |                 |   | •         | . , . ,  | <b>▶</b> □     |
| Sec  | organization, check this box and stop<br>etion C. Computation of Public | c Support Per   | centage         |   |           |          |                |
|      | Public support percentage for 2021 (li                                  |                 |                 | column (fl)                             |           | 14       | %              |
|      | Public support percentage from 2020                                     |                 | •               | * |           | 15       | <del>/</del> 6 |
|      | <b>33 1/3% support test - 2021.</b> If the o                            |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | stop here. The organization qualifies                                   |                 |                 |   |           |          | <b>.</b> —     |
| b    | 33 1/3% support test - 2020. If the o                                   |                 | •               |   |           |          |                |
|      | and <b>stop here.</b> The organization quali                            |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
| 17a  | 10% -facts-and-circumstances test                                       |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | and if the organization meets the facts                                 | _               |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | meets the facts-and-circumstances tes                                   |                 |                 |   |           |          | $\sim$         |
| b    | 10% -facts-and-circumstances test                                       | -               | · · · ·         |   | -         |          |                |
|      | more, and if the organization meets th                                  | _               |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      | organization meets the facts-and-circu                                  |                 |                 |   |           |          | <b>&gt;</b>    |
| 18   | <b>Private foundation.</b> If the organization                          |                 |                 |   |           |          |                |
|      |   |                 |                 |   |           |          | Form 990) 2021 |

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#### Part III | Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

| Se   | ction A. Public Support  | siow, piease comp  | Diete Fait II.)                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
|------|--|--------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Cale | ndar year (or fiscal year beginning in)  | (a) 2017           | <b>(b)</b> 2018                       | (c) 2019              | (d) 2020            | (e) 2021            | (f) Total |
|      | Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")   |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     | V         |
| 2    | Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
| 3    | Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513   |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
| 4    | Tax revenues levied for the organ-<br>ization's benefit and either paid to<br>or expended on its behalf  |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
| 5    | The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge  |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
| 6    | Total. Add lines 1 through 5   |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
| 78   | Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons   |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
| ŀ    | nother than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year  |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
| (    | Add lines 7a and 7b  |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
|      | Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)  |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
| Cale | ndar year (or fiscal year beginning in)  | (a) 2017           | <b>(b)</b> 2018                       | (c) 2019              | (d) 2020            | (e) 2021            | (f) Total |
| 9    | Amounts from line 6 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources                      | (1) = 2 · ·        | , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , | (2)                   | (4) = = =           | (2,7===             | (),       |
| ŀ    | Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975  |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
|      | Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on  |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
|      | Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)  |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
|      | Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)   |                    |                                       |                       | <u> </u>            | 504( )(0)           | <u> </u>  |
| 14   | First 5 years. If the Form 990 is for the  | · ·                |                                       | •                     | •                   | . , . ,             | . —       |
| Se   | check this box and stop here<br>ction C. Computation of Publi  | c Support Par      | rcentage                              |                       |                     |                     | <b>P</b>  |
|      | •  |                    |                                       | l (f))                |                     | 45                  |           |
|      | Public support percentage for 2021 (li   |                    |                                       |                       |                     | 15                  | <u>%</u>  |
|      | Public support percentage from 2020 ction D. Computation of Inves  |                    |                                       |                       |                     | 16                  | <u>%</u>  |
|      | •  |                    |                                       | ino 13 column (f)\    |                     | 17                  |           |
|      | Investment income percentage for 20 Investment income percentage from 2  |                    |                                       |                       |                     | 18                  | <u>%</u>  |
|      | a 33 1/3% support tests - 2021. If the   |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
| 136  | more than 33 1/3%, check this box ar   |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     | ▶ □       |
| k    | 33 1/3% support tests - 2020. If the   | organization did r | not check a box or                    | n line 14 or line 19a | a, and line 16 is m | ore than 33 1/3%, a | and       |
| 00   | line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, chece <b>Private foundation.</b> If the organization   |                    |                                       |                       |                     |                     |           |
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### Part IV | Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box in line 12 on Part I. If you checked box 12a, Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

#### Section A. All Supporting Organizations

- 1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.
- 2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in **Part VI** how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).
- **3a** Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c below.
- **b** Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in **Part VI** when and how the organization made the determination.
- c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.
- **4a** Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? *If* "Yes," and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below.
- **b** Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in **Part VI** how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.
- c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.
- 5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer lines 5b and 5c below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI, including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed; (ii) the reasons for each such action; (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action; and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).
- **b Type I or Type II only.** Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?
- c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?
- 6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.
- 7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).
- 8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described on line 7? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).
- **9a** Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons, as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in **Part VI.**
- **b** Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined on line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes." provide detail in **Part VI.**
- c Did a disqualified person (as defined on line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.
- 10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer line 10b below.
  - **b** Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)

|            | Yes    | No   |
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If "No." describe in Part VI how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove officers, directors, or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year. 1 Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, upervised, or controlled the supporting organization. 2 Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations Yes No Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No." describe in Part VI how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s) Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations Yes No Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided? 1 2 Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in Part VI how 2 the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s). By reason of the relationship described on line 2, above, did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's 3 Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations 1 Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions). The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below. b The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below. The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a governmental entity (see instructions) С Yes No 2 Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below. a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes." then in Part VI identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities. 2a b Did the activities described on line 2a, above, constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes." explain in Part VI the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in 2b these activities but for the organization's involvement. Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below. a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? If "Yes" or "No" provide details in Part VI. За b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each

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of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.

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Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see

instructions)

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| Part VI    | Supplemental Infor<br>Part IV, Section A, lines 1<br>line 1; Part IV, Section D, | , 2, 3b, 3c, 4b,<br>lines 2 and 3; F | vide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, li<br>4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section<br>Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a, and 3b; Part V, line<br>Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for ar | ne 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12;<br>B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C,<br>e 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, |
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**SCHEDULE D** (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

## **Supplemental Financial Statements**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.

Attach to Form 990.

Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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| Par      | t I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Fu   | nds or Other Sir        | nilar Funds or Ac        | counts. Complete if the         |
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|          | organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 6.  |                         |                          | ·                               |
|          |  | (a) Donor advised       | funds (                  | b) Funds and other accounts     |
| 1        | Total number at end of year  |                         |                          |                                 |
| 2        | Aggregate value of contributions to (during year)  |                         |                          |                                 |
| 3        | Aggregate value of grants from (during year)   |                         |                          |                                 |
| 4        | Aggregate value at end of year   |                         |                          |                                 |
| 5        | Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing   | that the assets held    | I in donor advised fund  | ls                              |
|          | are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive   | sive legal control?     |                          | Yes No                          |
| 6        | Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisor  | s in writing that gran  | t funds can be used or   | nly                             |
|          | for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor  | or advisor, or for any  | other purpose conferri   | ng                              |
| _        | impermissible private benefit?   |                         |                          |                                 |
| Par      | t II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organiza  | tion answered "Yes'     | on Form 990, Part IV,    | line 7.                         |
| 1        | Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (ch  | eck all that apply).    |                          |                                 |
|          | Preservation of land for public use (for example, recreation or  | r education)            | Preservation of a histo  | orically important land area    |
|          | Protection of natural habitat  |                         | Preservation of a certi- | fied historic structure         |
|          | Preservation of open space   |                         |                          |                                 |
| 2        | Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified co   | nservation contribut    | ion in the form of a cor |                                 |
|          | day of the tax year.   |                         |                          | Held at the End of the Tax Year |
| а        | Total number of conservation easements   |                         |                          |                                 |
| b        |  |                         |                          | 2b                              |
| С        | Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure   |                         |                          | 2c                              |
| d        | Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 7.   |                         |                          |                                 |
|          | listed in the National Register  |                         |                          | 2d                              |
| 3        | Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released   | , extinguished, or te   | minated by the organia   | zation during the tax           |
| _        | year >   |                         |                          |                                 |
| 4        | Number of states where property subject to conservation easemen  |                         |                          |                                 |
| 5        | Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic   | _                       |                          | □ v □ N.                        |
| •        | violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds   |                         | anfaraina aanaarratia    |                                 |
| 6        | Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handli  | ing or violations, and  | emorcing conservatio     | n easements during the year     |
| 7        | Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling or   | f violations, and anfo  | roing concernation on    | coments during the year         |
| 7        | *      | i violations, and emic  | rcing conservation eas   | sements during the year         |
| 8        | Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfied to the conservation because the conservation of the cons | efy the requirements    | of section 170/b)////R)/ | m                               |
| Ü        | and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?  |                         |                          |                                 |
| 9        | In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation eas   |                         |                          |                                 |
| •        | balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to   |                         | •                        |                                 |
|          | organization's accounting for conservation easements.  | ano organization on     | nanolal otatomorito tric |                                 |
| Par      | t III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art,  | <b>Historical Trea</b>  | sures, or Other S        | imilar Assets.                  |
|          | Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990,   | Part IV, line 8.        |                          |                                 |
| 1a       | If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, not  | to report in its rever  | ue statement and bala    | unce sheet works                |
|          | of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public ex   | hibition, education, o  | or research in furtheran | ice of public                   |
|          | service, provide in Part XIII the text of the footnote to its financial s  | tatements that descr    | ibes these items.        |                                 |
| b        | If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB ASC 958, to r   | eport in its revenue :  | statement and balance    | sheet works of                  |
|          | art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhib   | oition, education, or r | esearch in furtherance   | of public service,              |
|          | provide the following amounts relating to these items:   |                         |                          |                                 |
|          | (i) Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1  |                         |                          | <b>&gt;</b> \$                  |
|          | (ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X   |                         |                          | <b>&gt;</b> \$                  |
| 2        | If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures  |                         |                          | provide                         |
|          | the following amounts required to be reported under FASB ASC 95  |                         | - · · ·                  |                                 |
| а        | Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1  |                         |                          | <b>&gt;</b> \$                  |
| <u>b</u> | Assets included in Form 990, Part X  |                         |                          | <b>▶</b> \$                     |
|          | For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for F   |                         |                          | Schedule D (Form 990) 2021      |

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| Par   | t III   Organizations Maintaining C  | ollections of Ar      | t, Histo     | orical Tre    | asures, o      | r Othe     | r Simila     | r Assets      | (contin   | ued)    |              |
| 3     | Using the organization's acquisition, accession  | on, and other record  | ls, check    | any of the t  | following that | t make s   | ignificant ι | use of its    |           |         |              |
|       | collection items (check all that apply):   |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| а     | Public exhibition  | (                     | d 💹 I        | Loan or exc   | hange progra   | am         |              |               |           |         |              |
| b     | Scholarly research   | •                     | е 🔲 (        | Other         |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| С     | Preservation for future generations  |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| 4     | 4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII. |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| 5     |  |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| _     | to be sold to raise funds rather than to be ma   |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               | Yes       |         | No           |
| Par   | t IV Escrow and Custodial Arrang   |                       | lete if the  | organizatio   | n answered '   | "Yes" on   | Form 990     | ), Part IV, I | ine 9, or |         |              |
|       | reported an amount on Form 990, Par  | t X, line 21.         |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| 1a    | Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodia  |                       | •            |               |                |            |              | _             | _         |         | ,            |
|       | on Form 990, Part X?   |                       |              |               |                |            |              | L             | Yes       |         | No           |
| b     | If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII a   | and complete the fo   | llowing ta   | able:         |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
|       |  |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               | Amount    |         |              |
|       | Beginning balance  |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| d     | Additions during the year  |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| е     | Distributions during the year  |                       |              |               |                |            | . 1e         |               |           |         |              |
| f     | Ending balance   |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| 2a    | Did the organization include an amount on Fo   | orm 990, Part X, line | 21, for e    | scrow or cu   | ıstodial acco  | unt liabil | ity?         | L             | Yes       |         | No           |
|       | If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII.  |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| Par   | t V Endowment Funds. Complete it   |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
|       |  | (a) Current year      | <b>(b)</b> P | rior year     | (c) Two yea    | rs back    | (d) Three y  | /ears back    | (e) Four  | years b | oack_        |
|       | Beginning of year balance  |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| b     | Contributions  |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| С     | Net investment earnings, gains, and losses   |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| d     | Grants or scholarships   |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| е     | Other expenditures for facilities  |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
|       | and programs   |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| f     | Administrative expenses  |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| g     | End of year balance  |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| 2     | Provide the estimated percentage of the curre  | ent year end balanc   | e (line 1g   | , column (a   | )) held as:    |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| а     | Board designated or quasi-endowment  |                       | %            |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| b     | Permanent endowment  | %                     |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| С     | Term endowment   | %                     |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
|       | The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c show   | uld equal 100%.       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| 3a    | Are there endowment funds not in the posses  | ssion of the organiza | ation that   | are held ar   | nd administer  | red for th | ie organiza  | ation         | _         |         |              |
|       | by:  |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           | Yes     | No           |
|       | (i) Unrelated organizations  |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               | 3a(i)     |         |              |
|       | (ii) Related organizations   |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               | 3a(ii)    |         |              |
| b     | If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organization  | tions listed as requi | red on So    | chedule R?    |                |            |              |               | 3b        |         |              |
| 4     | Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the   |                       | wment fu     | unds.         |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| Par   | t VI Land, Buildings, and Equipm   | ent.                  |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
|       | Complete if the organization answered  | d "Yes" on Form 990   | 0, Part IV   | , line 11a. S | See Form 990   | , Part X,  | line 10.     |               |           |         |              |
|       | Description of property  | (a) Cost or o         | other        | (b) Cost      | or other       | (c) A      | ccumulate    | ed            | (d) Book  | < value | <del>)</del> |
|       |  | basis (investi        | ment)        | basis         | (other)        | de         | preciation   |               |           |         |              |
| 1a    | Land   |                       |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
|       | Buildings  | I                     |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| С     | Leasehold improvements   |                       |              |               | 9,600.         |            | 29,6         |               |           |         | 0.           |
| d     | Equipment  |                       |              | 19            | 0,572.         |            | 88,6         | 43.           | 101       | 1,92    | <u> 19.</u>  |
|       | Other  | <b>I</b>              |              |               |                |            |              |               |           |         |              |
| Total | . Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must ed   | gual Form 990. Part   | X. colum     | n (B). line 1 | 0c.)           |            |              | <b>•</b>      | 101       | 1,92    | 29.          |

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| Part VII Investments - Other Securities.   |   |   | -2686111 Page <b>3</b> |  |
| Complete if the organization answered "Yes" o  |   |   |                        |  |
| (a) Description of Security or category (including name of security)                     | (b) Book value                            | (c) Method of valuation: Cost or end-                                     | of-year market value   |  |
| (1) Financial derivatives  |   |   |                        |  |
| (2) Closely held equity interests  |   |   |                        |  |
| (3) Other  |   |   |                        |  |
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| Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶                       |   |   |                        |  |
| Part VIII Investments - Program Related.   |   | •   |                        |  |
| Complete if the organization answered "Yes" (a) Description of investment                | on Form 990, Part IV, line (b) Book value | 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.  (c) Method of valuation: Cost or end | of year market value   |  |
| (1)  | (b) Book value                            | (c) Method of Valuation. Cost of end-                                     | Oi-year market value   |  |
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| Total. (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.)                         |   |   |                        |  |
| Part IX Other Assets.  |   |   |                        |  |
| Complete if the organization answered "Yes" o  |   | 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.                                       |                        |  |
| (a) [  | Description                               |   | (b) Book value         |  |
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| (9)  | 1E \                                      |   |                        |  |
| Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line  Part X Other Liabilities. | 13.)                                      | ······  |                        |  |
| Complete if the organization answered "Yes" of   | on Form 990, Part IV, line                | 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.                                |                        |  |
| 1. (a) Description of liability  | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·     |   | (b) Book value         |  |
| (1) Federal income taxes   |   |   |                        |  |
| (2) DEFERRED RENT  |   |   | 9,437.                 |  |
| (3)  |   |   |                        |  |
| (4)  |   |   |                        |  |
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| (9)  |   |   |                        |  |
| Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line                            | 25.)                                      | <b>&gt;</b>   | 9,437.                 |  |
| 2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. In Part XIII, provide                          | the text of the footnote to               | o the organization's financial statements th                              |                        |  |
| organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under                               | FASB ASC 740. Check h                     | ere if the text of the footnote has been pro                              | vided in Part XIII X   |  |

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46-2686111 Page 4 METHOD SCHOOLS Schedule D (Form 990) 2021 Part XI Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a. 6,255,228. Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements 1 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12: 2 a Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments Donated services and use of facilities 2b 2c Recoveries of prior year grants Other (Describe in Part XIII.) Add lines 2a through 2d 2e 6,255,228. Subtract line 2e from line 1 Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1: a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b Other (Describe in Part XIII.) c Add lines 4a and 4b 4c 6,255,228. Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990. Part I. line 12 5 Part XII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a. 9,791,317. Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements 1 Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25: a Donated services and use of facilities 2a **b** Prior year adjustments 2b 2c **d** Other (Describe in Part XIII.) Add lines 2a through 2d 2e 9,791,317. Subtract line 2e from line 1 Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1: a Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b 4a **b** Other (Describe in Part XIII.) c Add lines 4a and 4b 4c Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990. Part I. line 18.) Part XIII Supplemental Information. Provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part XI, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information. PART X, LINE 2: THE SCHOOL IS A NONPROFIT ENTITY EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF INCOME TAXES

THE SCHOOL IS A NONPROFIT ENTITY EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF INCOME TAXES

UNDER INTERNAL REVENUE CODE SECTION 501(C)(3) AND CALIFORNIA REVENUE AND

TAXATION CODE SECTION 23701D. ACCORDINGLY, NO PROVISION HAS BEEN MADE FOR

INCOME TAXES. MANAGEMENT HAS DETERMINED THAT ALL INCOME TAX POSITIONS ARE

MORE LIKELY THAN NOT OF BEING SUSTAINED UPON POTENTIAL AUDIT OR

EXAMINATION; THEREFORE, NO DISCLOSURES OF UNCERTAIN INCOME TAX POSITIONS

ARE REQUIRED. THE SCHOOL IS SUBJECT TO INCOME TAX ON NET INCOME THAT IS

DERIVED FROM BUSINESS ACTIVITIES THAT ARE UNRELATED TO THE EXEMPT

PURPOSES. THE SCHOOL FILES AND EXEMPT SCHOOL RETURN AND APPLICABLE

UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME TAX RETURN IN THE U.S. FEDERAL JURISDICTION AND

WITH THE CALIFORNIA FRANCHISE TAX BOARD.

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| Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)  |                   |
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**SCHEDULE E** 

(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

#### **Schools**

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 13, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 48.

► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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Name of the organization Employer identification number

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| Part I  |                                     | _       | _            |
|   |                                     | YES     | 1            |
| Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statem                                      | nent in its charter,                |         |              |
| bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?   | 1                                   | X       | 上            |
| Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward                                     | students in all its brochures,      |         |              |
| catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admis                                       | ssions, programs, and scholarships? | X       |              |
| Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy on its primary public                                   | y accessible Internet               |         | 1            |
| homepage at all times during its taxable year in a manner reasonably expected to be not                                       | ced by visitors to the              |         |              |
| homepage, or through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for                                       | r students, or during the           |         |              |
| registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known                                   | to all parts of the general         |         | ı            |
| community it serves? If "Yes," please describe. If "No," please explain. If you need more                                     | space, use Part II 3                | X       |              |
| THE SCHOOL PUBLISHES ITS NONDISCRIMINATORY PO   |                                     |         | T            |
| CHARTER DOCUMENT. THE CHARTER DOCUMENT IS AVA   | AILABLE TO THE                      |         |              |
| PUBLIC ON THE ORGANIZATION'S WEBSITE AND IS N   | MADE AVAILABLE                      |         | 1            |
| UPON REQUEST.   |                                     |         |              |
|   |                                     |         |              |
| Does the organization maintain the following?   |                                     |         |              |
| a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative                                  | e staff?                            | Х       | Т            |
| • Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a                                       |                                     | - t     | T            |
| Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications  | ,                                   |         | T            |
|   | 40                                  | X       |              |
| d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions?                                  |                                     |         | T            |
| If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain. If you need more space, use Po                                      |                                     |         | T            |
| THE ORGANIZATION IS A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL V   |                                     |         |              |
| TUITION-FREE. THEREFORE, SCHOLARSHIPS AND FIR   |                                     |         |              |
| ASSISTANCE ARE NOT APPLICABLE.  |                                     |         |              |
|   |                                     |         |              |
| Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:  |                                     |         | ı            |
| a Students' rights or privileges?   | 5a                                  |         | Т            |
| Admissions policies?  |                                     |         | T            |
| Employment of faculty or administrative staff?  |                                     |         | T            |
| Scholarships or other financial assistance?   |                                     |         | T            |
| Educational policies?   |                                     |         | T            |
| f Use of facilities?  |                                     |         | t            |
| g Athletic programs?  | ı                                   |         | $^{\dagger}$ |
|   | ı                                   |         | t            |
| h Other extracurricular activities?  If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. If you need more space, use F |                                     |         | $^{\dagger}$ |
| in you answered Tes to any of the above, please explain. If you need more space, use t  | art II.                             |         |              |
|   |                                     | v       |              |
| a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency                                    |                                     |         | +            |
| Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended?  | 6b                                  |         | -            |
| If you answered "Yes" on either line 6a or line 6b, explain on Part II.   |                                     |         |              |
| Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sec                                    | · ·                                 | Х       |              |
| 4.05 of Rev. Proc. 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," exp                                    | plain on Part II                    |         |              |

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| Schedule E (Form 990) 2021 METHOD SCHOOLS   | 46-2686111   | Page 2 |
|---|--------------|--------|
| Part II Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, lines 3, 4d, 5h, 6b, and 3 | 7, as        |        |
| applicable. Also provide any other additional information.  |              |        |
| LINE 6 - EXPLANATION OF GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL AID:   |              |        |
| THE ORGANIZATION RECEIVES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM THE CAL   | IFORNIA      |        |
| DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO, CALIFO   | RNIA AS PART | OF     |
| ITS OPERATION AS A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL.   |              |        |
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#### SCHEDULE J (Form 990)

**Compensation Information** 

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.

Attach to Form 990.

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Internal Revenue Service Name of the organization

Department of the Treasury

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 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Employer identification number} \\ 46-2686111 \end{array}$ 

| Pa         | art I Questions Regarding Compensation   |    |     |    |
|------------|--|----|-----|----|
|            |  |    | Yes | No |
| <b>1</b> a | Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, |    |     |    |
|            | Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.             |    |     |    |
|            | First-class or charter travel Housing allowance or residence for personal use  |    |     |    |
|            | Travel for companions Payments for business use of personal residence  |    |     |    |
|            | Tax indemnification and gross-up payments Health or social club dues or initiation fees                                |    |     |    |
|            | Discretionary spending account Personal services (such as maid, chauffeur, chef)                                       |    |     |    |
|            |  |    |     |    |
| b          | If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or          |    |     |    |
|            | reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain               | 1b |     |    |
| 2          | Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors,       |    |     |    |
|            | trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a?                  | 2  |     |    |
|            |  |    |     |    |
| 3          | Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's     |    |     |    |
|            | CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to     |    |     |    |
|            | establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.   |    |     |    |
|            | Compensation committee  X Written employment contract  |    |     |    |
|            | Independent compensation consultant  X Compensation survey or study  |    |     |    |
|            | Form 990 of other organizations  X Approval by the board or compensation committee                                     |    |     |    |
| 4          | During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing           |    |     |    |
| 7          | organization or a related organization:  |    |     |    |
| а          | Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment?  | 4a |     | х  |
| b          | Participate in or receive payment from a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?                                    | 4b |     | Х  |
| c          | Participate in or receive payment from an equity-based compensation arrangement?                                       | 4c |     | Х  |
|            | If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.          |    |     |    |
|            |  |    |     |    |
|            | Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.                               |    |     |    |
| 5          | For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation      |    |     |    |
|            | contingent on the revenues of:   |    |     |    |
| а          | The organization?  | 5a |     | X  |
| b          | Any related organization?  | 5b |     | Х  |
|            | If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.   |    |     |    |
| 6          | For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation      |    |     |    |
|            | contingent on the net earnings of:   |    |     |    |
| а          | The organization?  | 6a |     | X  |
| b          | Any related organization?  | 6b |     | Х  |
|            | If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.   |    |     |    |
| 7          | For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments       |    |     | 37 |
| _          | not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III   | 7  |     | X  |
| 8          | Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the        |    |     | v  |
| _          | initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III            | 8  |     | X  |
| 9          | If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in                 |    |     |    |
|            | Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)?  | 9  |     | Щ_ |

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Schedule J (Form 990) 2021 METHOD SCHOOLS 46 – 2686111

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

Note: The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

| (A) Name and Title     |             | (B) Breakdown of W       | V-2 and/or 1099-MISO compensation   | C and/or 1099-NEC                   | other deferred | (D) Nontaxable benefits | (E) Total of columns<br>(B)(i)-(D) | in column (B)                             |
|------------------------|-------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
|                        |             | (i) Base<br>compensation | (ii) Bonus & incentive compensation | (iii) Other reportable compensation | compensation   |                         |                                    | reported as deferred<br>on prior Form 990 |
| (1) JESSICA SPALLINO   | (i)         | 228,848.                 | 0.                                  | 0.                                  | 10,664.        | 3,127.                  | 242,639.                           | 0.  |
| CEO                    | (ii)        | 0.                       | 0.                                  | 0.                                  | 0.             | 0.                      | 0.                                 | 0.  |
| (2) MARK HOLLEY        | (i)         | 204,338.                 | 0.                                  | 0.                                  | 9,699.         | 3,188.                  | 217,225.                           | 0.  |
| CHIEF BUSINESS OFFICER | (ii)        | 0.                       | 0.                                  | 0.                                  | 0.             | 0.                      | 0.                                 | 0.  |
|                        | (i)         |                          |                                     |                                     |                |                         |                                    |   |
|                        | (ii)        |                          |                                     |                                     |                |                         |                                    |   |
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| Part III | Supplemental Information   |  | <u> </u> |
|          | the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete the | his part for any additional information. |          |
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SCHEDULE O (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury

Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on Form 990 or 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.

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METHOD SCHOOLS

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FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 8B:

THERE ARE NO COMMITTEES THAT HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B:

THE CEO AND CFO WILL PROVIDE A COPY OF THE FORM 990 TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS

FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT. ANY NECESSARY EDITS WILL BE RELAYED TO THE TAX

PREPARER. UPON FINAL APPROVAL BY THE CEO AND CFO, THE TAX PREPARER WILL

FILE THE FORM 990 WITH THE IRS ON BEHALF OF THE ORGANIZATION.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:

ALL BOARD MEMBERS AND KEY EMPLOYEES OF THE ORGANIZATION ARE REQUIRED TO

FILE AN ANNUAL STATEMENT (CA FORM 700 STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTEREST) IN

ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS. THE ORGANIZATION WILL

REVIEW THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AND STATEMENTS ANNUALLY AND WHEN ANY

NEW BOARD MEMBER JOINS OR KEY EMPLOYEE IS HIRED. THE CEO, CFO, AND

COMPLIANCE MANAGER ARE CHARGED WITH REVIEWING AND ENFORCING THE CONFLICT OF

INTEREST POLICY.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15:

THE INDEPENDENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL APPROVE COMPENSATION OF THE CEO AND CFO. THE BOARD UTILIZES COMPARABLE DATA AVAILABLE FORM OTHER PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH SIMILAR RESPONSIBILITIES.

THE CONSIDERATION AND DETERMINATION OF THE COMPENSATION FOR THESE EMPLOYEES IS DOCUMENTED AND SUBSTANTIATED CONTEMPORANEOUSLY.

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|--|---|
| Name of the organization  METHOD SCHOOLS                   | Employer identification number 46-2686111 |
| FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:                     |   |
| GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, POLICIES, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AF | RE MADE AVAILABLE                         |
| UPON REQUEST WITH SOME DOCUMENTS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE ON THE | ORGANIZATION'S                            |
| WEBSITE.   |   |
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| FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C:                               |   |
| THE PROCESS HAS NOT CHANGED SINCE PRIOR YEAR.              |   |
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