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Form **990-EZ**

# Short Form Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-1150

**2008**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code  
(except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

► Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds and controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990. All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$1,000,000 and total assets less than \$2,500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

► The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements.

**Open to Public Inspection****A** For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning 7/01, 2008, and ending 6/30, 2009**B** Check if applicable:

- ☐ Address change
- ☐ Name change
- ☐ Initial return
- ☐ Termination
- ☐ Amended return
- ☐ Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

**C** Yeshivas Meor HaTorah of Chicago  
3050 W Touhy Avenue  
Chicago, IL 60645

**D** Employer identification number

20-1051051

**E** Telephone number

773-465-0419

**F** Group Exemption Number

• Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ).

**G** Accounting method ☒ Cash ☐ Accrual  
Other (specify) ►**I** Website: ► N/A**H** Check ☒ if the organization is not required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)**J** Organization type (check only one) — ☒ 501(c) ( 3 ) (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527**K** Check ☐ if the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization and its gross receipts are normally not more than \$25,000. A return is not required, but if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return.**L** Add lines 5b, 6b, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts, if \$1,000,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

► \$ 891,714.

**Part I Revenue, Expenses, and Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances** (See the instructions for Part I.)

REVENUE	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	480,306.
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	411,182.
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	
	4	Investment income	4	226.
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory		
	5b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses		
	5c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a) (att sch)		
	6	Special events and activities (complete applicable parts of Schedule G) If any amount is from gaming, check here <input type="checkbox"/>		
	6a	Gross revenue (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1)		
EXPENSES	6b	Less direct expenses other than fundraising expenses		
	6c	Net income or (loss) from special events and activities (Subtract line 6b from line 6a)		
	7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances		
	7b	Less cost of goods sold		
	7c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)		
	8	Other revenue (describe ► _____)	8	
	9	<b>Total revenue</b> (add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6c, 7c, and 8)	9	891,714.
	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (attach schedule)	10	
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
ASSETS	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	481,771.
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	62,000.
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	6,907.
	16	Other expenses (describe ► See Statement 1)	16	371,040.
	17	<b>Total expenses</b> (add lines 10 through 16)	17	921,718.
	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-30,004.
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	-16,658.
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (attach explanation)	20	
21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 18 through 20	21	-46,662.	

**Part II Balance Sheets.** If Total assets on line 25, column (B) are \$2,500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ

(See the instructions for Part II.)

	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
22 Cash, savings, and investments	121,783.	22 80,117.
23 Land and buildings		23
24 Other assets (describe ► See Statement 2)	16,923.	24 13,777.
25 Total assets	138,706.	25 93,894.
26 Total liabilities (describe ► See Statement 3)	155,364.	26 140,556.
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	-16,658.	27 -46,662.

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## Expenses

(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others )

(Required for 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others )

28a	875,880.
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32	875,880.
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**Part V Other Information** (Note the statement requirement in General Instruction V.)

	Yes	No
<b>33</b> Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a detailed description of each activity		X
<b>34</b> Were any changes made to the organizing or governing documents but not reported to the IRS? If 'Yes,' attach a conformed copy of the changes		X
<b>35</b> If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, attach a statement explaining your reason for not reporting the income on Form 990-T		
<b>a</b> Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?		X
<b>b</b> If 'Yes,' has it filed a tax return on <b>Form 990-T</b> for this year?		
<b>36</b> Was there a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or substantial contraction during the year? If 'Yes,' complete applicable parts of Schedule N		X
<b>37a</b> Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions <span style="float: right;">0.</span>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization file <b>Form 1120-POL</b> for this year?		X
<b>38a</b> Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still unpaid at the start of the period covered by this return?		X
<b>b</b> If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved <span style="float: right;">N/A</span>		
<b>39</b> 501(c)(7) organizations Enter		
<b>a</b> Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 <span style="float: right;">N/A</span>		
<b>b</b> Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities <span style="float: right;">N/A</span>		
<b>40a</b> 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 <span style="float: right;">0.</span> , section 4912 <span style="float: right;">0.</span> , section 4955 <span style="float: right;">0.</span>		
<b>b</b> 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it become aware of an excess benefit transaction from a prior year? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule L, Part I		X
<b>c</b> Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 <span style="float: right;">0.</span>		
<b>d</b> Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization <span style="float: right;">0.</span>		
<b>e</b> All organizations At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If 'Yes,' complete Form 8886-T		X
<b>41</b> List the states with which a copy of this return is filed <span style="float: right;">IL</span>		

**42a** The books are in care of Rabbi Eliyahu Millen Telephone no. 773-465-0419  
 Located at 3050 W Touhy Avenue Chicago ZIP + 4 60645

**b** At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?  
 If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country.

	Yes	No
<b>42b</b>		X
<b>42c</b>		X

See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for **Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of a Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.**

**c** At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U S ?  
 If 'Yes,' enter the name of the foreign country.

**43** Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of **Form 1041** — Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year 43

☐ N/A  
N/A

**44** Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ

	Yes	No
<b>44</b>		X
<b>45</b>		X

**45** Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ

**Part VI Section 501(c)(3) organizations only.** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 46-49 and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51. See Statement 5**46** Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part I

	Yes	No
<b>46</b>		X
<b>47</b>		X
<b>48</b>	X	
<b>49a</b>		X
<b>49b</b>		

**47** Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule C, Part II**48** Is the organization operating a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If 'Yes,' complete Schedule E**49a** Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?**b** If 'Yes,' was the related organization(s) a section 527 organization?**50** Complete this table for the five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None'

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
None				
Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000				

**51** Complete this table for the five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter 'None'

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
None		
Total number of other independent contractors receiving over \$100,000		

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here

Signature of officer

Eliyahu Millen, Dean

Type or print name and title

Date

5/13/10

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature

Laurie R. Kessler

Date

5/12/10

Check if self-employed

Preparer's Identifying Number (See instructions)

N/A

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4

Kessler, Orlean, Silver & Co. PC  
1101 Lake Cook Road, Suite C  
Deerfield, IL 60015-5233

EIN

N/A

Phone no

(847) 580-4100

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions.

X Yes No

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received. (Do not include 'unusual grants'.)						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to it or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished to the organization by a governmental unit without charge. Do not include the value of services or facilities generally furnished to the public without charge.						
4 <b>Total.</b> Add lines 1-3						
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)						
6 <b>Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
7 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 IV.)						
11 <b>Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	
13 <b>First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

14 Public support percentage for 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	%
15 Public support percentage for 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	15	%
16a <b>33-1/3 support test – 2008.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and the line 14 is 33-1/3 % or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b <b>33-1/3 support test – 2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, or 16a, and line 15 is 33-1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a <b>10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2008.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b <b>10%-facts-and-circumstances test – 2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the 'facts-and-circumstances' test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 <b>Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions. ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2008

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions and membership fees received (Do not include "unusual grants.")						
<b>2</b> Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in a activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1-5						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, 3 received from disqualified persons						
<b>b</b> Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b						
<b>8 Public support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal yr beginning in) ▶	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
<b>13 Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						
<b>14 First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input type="checkbox"/>						

**Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2008 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g	<b>16</b>	%

**Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage**

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for 2008 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	<b>17</b>	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h	<b>18</b>	%
<b>19a 33-1/3 support tests – 2008.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 33-1/3 support tests – 2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or 19a, and line 16 is more than 33-1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33-1/3%, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>20 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions <input type="checkbox"/>		



## Part IV

<b>Part IV</b>	<b>Supplemental Information.</b> Complete this part to provide the explanation required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; or Part III, line 12. Provide any other additional information. (see instructions)
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**SCHEDULE E**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service**Schools**

► To be completed by organizations that  
answer 'Yes' to 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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**2008****Open to Public  
Inspection**

Name of the organization

Yeshivas Meor HaTorah of Chicago

Employer identification number

20-1051051

	YES	NO
1 Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?	X	
2 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 admissions, programs, and scholarships?	X	
3 Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it had no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If 'Yes,' please describe. If 'No,' please explain. <u>A resolution of the Board has been adopted. Publication of non-discriminatory policy is currently being done. Such policy has been and will continue to be included in all brochures, catalogues and other written communications.</u>	X	
4 Does the organization maintain the following?		
a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?	X	
b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?	X	
c Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	X	
d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? If you answered 'No,' to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement)	X	
5 Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to		
a Students' rights or privileges?		X
b Admissions policies?		X
c Employment of faculty or administrative staff?		X
d Scholarships or other financial assistance?		X
e Educational policies?		X
f Use of facilities?		X
g Athletic programs?		X
h Other extracurricular activities? If you answered 'Yes,' to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement)		X
6a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?		X
b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? If you answered 'Yes,' to either line 6a or line b, please explain using an attached statement		X
7 Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4 01 through 4 05 of Rev Proc 75-50, 1975-2 C B 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If 'No,' attach an explanation	X	

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Schedule E (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2008

**Statement 1**  
**Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16**  
**Other Expenses**

Bank Charges	\$	8,791.
Books/Supplies		15,503.
Building Expense		4,952.
Depreciation		3,146.
Field Trips		8,386.
Food		44,831.
Insurance		22,664.
Legal/Accounting		1,050.
Outside Services		161,143.
Telephone		1,474.
Travel		270.
Tuition		90,154.
Union Pension Expense		8,676.
Total	\$	<u>371,040.</u>

**Statement 2**  
**Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 24**  
**Other Assets**

	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>
Furniture and Fixtures	\$ 16,923.	\$ 13,777.
Total	<u>\$ 16,923.</u>	<u>\$ 13,777.</u>

**Statement 3**  
**Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 26**  
**Total Liabilities**

	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>
Loan	\$ 155,364.	\$ 140,556.
Total	<u>\$ 155,364.</u>	<u>\$ 140,556.</u>

**Statement 4**  
**Form 990-EZ, Part III**  
**Organization's Primary Exempt Purpose**

To operate an 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th grade parochial/religious school.

**Statement 5**  
**Form 990-EZ, Part VI**  
**Regarding Transfers Associated with Personal Benefit Contracts**

(a) Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?

No

(b) Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?

No