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Form **990**
 Department of the Treasury
 Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

OMB No 1545-0047

2008

Open to Public Inspection

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

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning 09-01-2008 and ending 08-31-2009

- 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 Name of organization
 Lowell School

Doing Business As

Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
 1640 Kalmia Road

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4
 Washington, DC 20012

D Employer identification number
 52-1220544

E Telephone number
 (202) 577-2000

G Gross receipts \$ 10,987,818

F Name and address of Principal Officer
 Ann Kappler
 1640 Kalmia Road
 Washington, DC 20012

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? Yes No

H(b) Are all affiliates included? Yes No
 (If "No," attach a list See instructions)

H(c) Group Exemption Number ▶

I Tax-exempt status 501(c) (3) (Insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Web site: ▶ www.lowellschool.org

K Type of organization Corporation trust association other ▶

L Year of Formation 1981 | **M** State of legal domicile DC

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities Educational program serving pre-kindergarten through 6th grade children		
	2 Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its assets		
	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	18
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	17
	5 Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	5	173
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	30
	7a Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, line 12, column (C)	7a	0
b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	0	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	759,404	626,658
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	8,004,052	8,716,736
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	303,703	158,489
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	154,099	80,657
		9,221,258	9,582,540
Expenses	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	983,861	1,111,698
	14 Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		0
	15 Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)	5,445,892	6,005,617
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		0
	b (Total fundraising expenses, Part IX, column (D), line 25 <u>270,078</u>)		
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)	2,213,856	2,248,534
18 Total expenses—add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, line 25, column (A))	8,643,609	9,365,849	
19 Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12	577,649	216,691	
Net Assets or Fund Balances		Beginning of Year	End of Year
	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	18,964,540	18,017,736
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	11,996,292	11,113,821
22 Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20	6,968,248	6,903,915	

Part II Signature Block

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

Signature of officer: ***** Date: 2010-06-02

Debbie Gibbs Head of School
 Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer's Use Only

Preparer's signature: _____ Date: _____ Check if self-employed

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4: RAFFA PC, 1899 L STREET NW SUITE 900, WASHINGTON, DC 20036

Preparer's PTIN (See Gen Inst): _____ EIN: _____ Phone no: (202) 822-5000

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (See instructions) Yes No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions.)

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

See Additional Data Table

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 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 No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a (Code) (Expenses \$ 7,369,487 including grants of \$ 1,111,698) (Revenue \$ 8,716,736)

Lowell is an inclusive community that recognizes the uniqueness of each child, the importance of a positive self-concept, and a need for giving children time and space to grow. Learning at Lowell is active and collaborative with an emphasis on building conceptual understanding, promoting creative, critical and analytical thinking, and encouraging problem solving and respect for one another. When provided with a stimulating environment, the guidance of teachers, and parental support, each child can become a motivated learner and a responsible citizen.

















4b (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4c (Code) (Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)
(Expenses \$ including grants of \$) (Revenue \$)

4e Total program service expenses \$ 7,369,487 *Must equal Part IX, Line 25, column (B).*

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

		Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i> 	Yes	
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors? 	Yes	
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i>		No
4	Section 501(c)(3) organizations Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i>		No
5	Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i>		
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i> 		No
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i>		No
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i> 		No
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i> 		No
10	Did the organization hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i> 	Yes	
11	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, lines 10, 12, 13, 15, or 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable</i> 	Yes	
12	Did the organization receive an audited financial statement for the year for which it is completing this return that was prepared in accordance with GAAP? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII</i> 	Yes	
13	Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i> 	Yes	
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the U S ?		No
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the U S ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I</i>		No
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II</i>		No
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III</i>		No
17	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I</i>		No
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i>	Yes	
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i>		No
20	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i>		No
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i> 		No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i> 	Yes	
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i> 	Yes	
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? <i>If "Yes," answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to question 25</i>		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> 		No
b	Did the organization become aware that it had engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person from a prior year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> 		No
26	Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i> 		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, or substantial contributor, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i> 	Yes	

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(Continued)*

		Yes	No
28	During the tax year, did any person who is a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee		
a	Have a direct business relationship with the organization (other than as an officer, director, trustee, or employee), or an indirect business relationship through ownership of more than 35% in another entity (individually or collectively with other person(s) listed in Part VII, Section A)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
b	Have a family member who had a direct or indirect business relationship with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
c	Serve as an officer, director, trustee, key employee, partner, or member of an entity (or a shareholder of a professional corporation) doing business with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations section 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i>		No
35	Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		No
36	501(c)(3) organizations Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		No
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5 percent of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>		No

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, <i>Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns</i> . Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1a 168		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1b 0		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	Yes	
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, <i>Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements</i> filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		
	2a 173		
b	If at least one is reported in 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note: If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return.	Yes	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?		No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O		
4a	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)?		No
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts .		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		No
c	If "Yes," to 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, <i>Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction</i> ?		
6a	Did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
7	<i>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</i>		
a	Did the organization provide goods or services in exchange for any quid pro quo contribution of \$75 or more?		
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	Yes	
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		No
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
	7d		
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		No
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		No
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	Yes	
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?	Yes	
8	<i>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</i> Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
9	<i>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</i>		
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
10	<i>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</i> Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12		
	10a		
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities		
	10b		
11	<i>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</i> Enter		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders		
	11a		
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)		
	11b		
12a	<i>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</i> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year		
	12b		

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure (Sections A, B, and C request information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Section A. Governing Body and Management

For each "Yes" response to lines 2-7 below, and for a "No" response to lines 8 or 9b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body		
1b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?		No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		No
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?		No
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?		No
7b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
8a	the governing body?	Yes	
8b	each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?		No
9a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		No
9b	If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?		
10	Was a copy of the Form 990 provided to the organization's governing body before it was filed? All organizations must describe in Schedule O the process, if any, the organization uses to review the Form 990	Yes	
11	Is there any officer, director 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 in Schedule O		No

Section B. Policies

		Yes	No
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No", go to line 13	Yes	
12b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	Yes	
12c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	Yes	
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	Yes	
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?		No
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision		
15a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official?	Yes	
15b	Other officers or key employees of the organization? Describe the process in Schedule O		No
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		No
16b	If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable Federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed _____
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.
 own website another's website upon request
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public. See Additional Data Table
- 20** State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization
 The School
 1640 Kalmia Road
 Washington, DC 20012
 (202) 577-2000

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

			(A) Total Revenue	(B) Related or Exempt Function Revenue	(C) Unrelated Business Revenue	(D) Revenue Excluded from Tax under IRC 512, 513, or 514	
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a	Federated campaigns . . . 1a					
	b	Membership dues 1b					
	c	Fundraising events 126,887 1c					
	d	Related organizations . . . 1d					
	e	Government grants (contributions) 1e					
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above 499,771 1f					
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____					
	h	Total (Add lines 1a-1f) 626,658					
Program Service Revenue	2a	Tuition and fees	Business Code 900,099	7,709,129	7,709,129		
	b	Auxiliary program fees	900,099	1,007,607	1,007,607		
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f	All other program service revenue					
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f \$ 8,716,736					
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest other similar amounts) 158,489				158,489	
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5	Royalties					
	6a	Gross Rents	(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
			b	Less rental expenses			
			c	Rental income or (loss)			
			d	Net rental income or (loss)			
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
			1,335,284				
			b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	1,335,284		
			c	Gain or (loss)			
	d	Net gain or (loss)					
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 29,450 of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 Attach Schedule G if total exceeds \$15,000 a	126,887				
			b	Less direct expenses . . . b	69,994		
c			Net income or (loss) from fundraising events -40,544			-40,544	
9a	Gross income from gaming activities See part IV, line 19 Complete Schedule G if total exceeds \$15,000 a						
		b	Less direct expenses . . . b				
		c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities				
10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . a						
		b	Less cost of goods sold . . . b				
		c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory				
	Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
11a	Sublease income	900,099	72,365		72,365		
		b	Other income	900,099	31,083	31,083	
		c	Insurance claim income	900,099	17,753	17,753	
		d	All other revenue _____				
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d \$ 121,201						
12	Total Revenue. Add lines 1h, 2g, 3, 4, 5, 6d, 7d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e		9,582,540	8,716,736	0	239,146	

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

**Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.
All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).**

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U S See Part IV, line 21				
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22	1,111,698	1,111,698		
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations and individuals outside the U S See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4	Benefits paid to or for members				
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	450,722	175,781	274,941	
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	4,499,866	3,458,264		191,057
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	230,509	176,903	42,556	11,050
9	Other employee benefits	432,224	332,709	80,986	18,529
10	Payroll taxes	392,296	294,891	81,597	15,808
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management				
b	Legal	12,708		12,708	
c	Accounting	92,057		92,057	
d	Lobbying				
e	Professional fundraising See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other	68,083		64,888	3,195
12	Advertising and promotion	39,201	39,201		
13	Office expenses	367,891	268,763	79,881	19,247
14	Information technology	117,547	117,547		
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy	458,478	458,478		
17	Travel				
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any Federal, state or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions and meetings	10,921	587	8,442	1,892
20	Interest	182,471	182,471		
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	426,934	426,934		
23	Insurance	73,934		73,934	
24	Other expenses—Itemize expenses not covered above (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below)				
a	Educational	192,980	192,980		
b	Field trips	59,131	59,131		
c	Faculty/staff develop	44,023	44,023		
d	Hospitality	41,292	4,304	28,503	8,485
e	Miscellaneous	38,416	2,355	35,246	815
f	All other expenses	22,467	22,467		
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	9,365,849	7,369,487	1,726,284	270,078
26	Joint Costs. Check <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	200	1	198
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	2,448,587	2	2,061,959
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	226,381	3	158,296
	4 Accounts receivable, net	3,560,281	4	3,283,968
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees or other related parties <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i>		5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i>		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	57,876	9	50,660
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost basis	10a 12,100,711		
	b Less accumulated depreciation <i>Complete Part VI of Schedule D</i>	10b 3,708,611	8,468,897	10c 8,392,100
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	2,877,936	11	2,710,659
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part VII of Schedule D</i>	987,198	12	1,041,640
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part VIII of Schedule D</i>		13	
	14 Intangible assets	337,184	14	318,256
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part IX of Schedule D</i>		15	
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	18,964,540	16	18,017,736	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	557,393	17	201,002
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	6,590,571	19	6,268,491
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities	4,765,334	20	4,561,334
	21 Escrow account liability <i>Complete Part IV of Schedule D</i>		21	
	22 Payable to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i>		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable		24	
	25 Other liabilities <i>Complete Part X of Schedule D</i>	82,994	25	82,994
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	11,996,292	26	11,113,821
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	4,104,736	27	4,029,163
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	30,000	28	0
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	2,833,512	29	2,874,752
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	6,968,248	33	6,903,915	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	18,964,540	34	18,017,736	

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> accrual <input type="checkbox"/> other		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		No
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	Yes	
2c	If "Yes" to lines 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant?	Yes	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
3b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits?		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No 1545-0047

2008

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

To be completed by all section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts.
Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. See separate instructions.

Name of the organization
Lowell School

Employer identification number
52-1220544

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (to be completed by all organizations) (See Instructions)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (Please check only **one** organization)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. (Attach Schedule H)
- 4 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 _____
- 5 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)**.
- 7 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)
- 8 A community trust described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)
- 9 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)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **Section 509(a)(4)**. (See instructions)
- 11 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 that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h
 a Type I b Type II c Type III - Functionally Integrated d Type III - Other
- e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)
- f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

- (i) a person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the the supported organization?
- (ii) a family member of a person described in (i) above?
- (iii) a 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?

h Provide the following information about the organizations the organization supports

(i) Name of Supported Organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 9 above or IRC section (See Instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U S ?		(vii) Amount of support?
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Total									

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 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.)

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 any "unusual grants.")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization'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 line 1-3						
5 The portion of total contribution by each person (other than a government unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceed 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public Support subtract line 5 from line 4						

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 Total Support (Add lines 7 through 10)						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (See instructions)					12	
13 First Five Years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input type="checkbox"/>

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 33 1/3% Test - 2008. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and 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 33 1/3% Test - 2007. If the organization did not check the 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 10% Facts and Circumstances Test - 2008. 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 10% Facts and Circumstances Test - 2007. 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 Private Foundation. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a or 17b, check this box and see instructions		<input type="checkbox"/>

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 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 any "unusual grants.")						
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 organization's benefit and either paid to 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 1-5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
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						
c Total of lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public Support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

Total Support

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

Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public Support Percentage for 2008 (line 8 column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	15	
16 Public Support Percentage for 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g	16	

Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment Income Percentage for 2008 (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	17	
18 Investment Income Percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h	18	
19a 33 1/3% Tests - 2008. 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 stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% Tests - 2007. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3% and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization <input type="checkbox"/>		
20 Private Foundation 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 **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the information required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b, or Part III, line 12. Provide and any other additional information. (see instructions)

Facts and Circumstances Test

Additional Data

Software ID:
Software Version:
EIN: 52-1220544
Name: Lowell School

Form 990, Part VII - Section Aaa

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual Trustee or Director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
Ann Kappler , President/Chair	2 00	X		X				0	0	0
Jennafer Kwait , Vice Chair	2 00	X		X				0	0	0
Chuck Miller , Secretary	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
Paul Ameer , Treasurer	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
Eve Howard , Assistant Secretary	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
Loretta Caldwell , Assistant Treasurer	1 00	X		X				0	0	0
Melissa Bianchi , Trustee	1 00	X						0	0	0
Wendy Cividandes , Trustee	1 00	X						0	0	0
Cathy Creech , Trustee	1 00	X						0	0	0
Jeff Davis , Trustee	1 00	X						0	0	0
Roger Fairfax , Trustee	1 00	X						0	0	0
Chris Hart , Trustee	1 00	X						0	0	0
Willa Hennigan , Trustee	1 00	X						0	0	0
Carloline James , Trustee	2 00	X						0	0	0
Will Pecau , Trustee	1 00	X						0	0	0
Jay Rapp , Trustee	1 00	X						0	0	0
Jeff Sindler , Trustee	1 00	X						0	0	0
Paulette Saunders , Trustee/Pre-Prime Dir	40 00	X						94,238	0	4,249
Debbie Gibbs , Head of School	60 00			X				223,317	0	10,090
Walter Ailes , Dir of Finance & Admin	32 00			X				120,757	0	5,454

Form 990, Part III, Line 1 - Briefly describe the organization's mission:

The school provides educational services to 315 children in grades pre-kindergarten through 6th grade. Lowell's mission is to offer a rigorous academic program that stresses lifelong learning, respect for self and others and a commitment to community. The curriculum is enriched by a strong social curriculum designed to prepare children to thrive in our global community. The School strives to maintain an economically, racially, and culturally diverse community.

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

OMB No 1545-0047

Supplemental Financial Statements

2008

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

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Name of the organization Lowell School

Employer identification number 52-1220544

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include total number at end of year, aggregate contributions, aggregate grants, aggregate value, and questions about donor informed status.

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

Table with 2 columns: Question, Held at the End of the Year. Rows include purpose of easements, number of easements, acreage, and monitoring details.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

Table with 2 columns: Question, Amount. Rows include questions about reporting art and historical treasures.

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3 Using the organization's accession and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

- a Public exhibition, b Scholarly research, c Preservation for future generations, d Loan or exchange programs, e Other

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Trust, Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain why in Part XIV and complete the following table

Table with columns for Amount and rows for 1c Beginning balance, 1d Additions during the year, 1e Distributions during the year, 1f Ending balance

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

Table with columns (a) Current Year, (b) Prior Year, (c) Two Years Back, (d) Three Years Back, (e) Four Years Back and rows for 1a-1g: Beginning of year balance, Contributions, Investment earnings or losses, Grants or scholarships, Other expenditures for facilities and programs, Administrative expenses, End of year balance

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

- a Board designated or quasi-endowment 0%, b Permanent endowment 100.000%, c Term endowment 0%

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

Table with columns Yes, No and rows 3a(i) unrelated organizations, 3a(ii) related organizations, 3b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Investments—Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Table with columns (a) Cost or other basis (Investment), (b) Cost or other basis (other), (c) Depreciation, (d) Book value and rows for 1a Land, 1b Buildings, 1c Leasehold improvements, 1d Equipment, 1e Other, Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)

Part VII Investments—Other Securities. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Financial derivatives and other financial products		
Closely-held equity interests		
Other Certificates of deposit	1,041,640	F
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12) ▶	1,041,640	

Part VIII Investments—Program Related. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13) ▶		

Part IX Other Assets. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.) ▶	

Part X Other Liabilities. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

(a) Description of Liability	(b) Amount
Federal Income Taxes	
Swap agreement	82,994
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25) ▶	82,994

In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	9,582,540
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	9,365,849
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	216,691
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	-281,024
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	8	
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 - 8	9	-281,024
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	-64,333

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	9,397,381
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	-281,024
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	25,871
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	69,994
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	-185,159
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	9,582,540
4	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	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0
5	Total Revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	9,582,540

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	9,461,714
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	25,871
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Losses reported on Form 990, Part IX, line 25	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	69,994
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	95,865
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	9,365,849
4	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 XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	0
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c . (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	9,365,849

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part XIV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Part V, Line 4	Description of Intended Use of Endowment Funds	The primary objective of the endowment fund is to preserve and protect the assets, by earning a total rate of return that equals or exceeds the spending rate, including the cost of managing the endowment's assets, plus the rate of inflation
Part X	Description of Uncertain Tax Positions Under FIN 48	The School has adopted the provisions of FIN 48 as of September 1, 2008 Management has determined that the adoption of FIN 48 will not have a material impact on the School's financial statement
Part XII, Line 2d - Other Adjustments		Special events expense 69994
Part XIII, Line 2d - Other Adjustments		Special events expense 69994

SCHEDULE E
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Schools

OMB No 1545-0047

2008

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Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. To be completed by organizations that answer "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 13, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 48.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization
Lowell School

Employer identification number

52-1220544

		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?	Yes	
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?	Yes	
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 has 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. The School annually admits students of any race, color, national and ethnic origin to all the rights, privileges and activities generally accorded or made available to students at the School. The School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national and ethnic origin in administration of its educational and admissions policies, scholarship and loan programs, and athletic and other school administered programs.	Yes	
4	Does the organization maintain the following?		
a	Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?	Yes	
b	Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?	Yes	
c	Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	Yes	
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.)	Yes	
5	Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to		
a	Students' rights or privileges?		No
b	Admissions policies?		No
c	Employment of faculty or administrative staff?		No
d	Scholarships or other financial assistance?		No
e	Educational policies?		No
f	Use of facilities?		No
g	Athletic programs?		No
h	Other extracurricular activities? If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. (If you need more space, attach a separate statement.)		No
6a	Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?		No
6b	Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? If you answered "Yes" to either 6a or b, please explain using an attached statement.		No
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.	Yes	

SCHEDULE G (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

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2008

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. Must be completed by organizations that answer "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, and by organizations that enter more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

Name of the organization Lowell School

Employer identification number 52-1220544

Part I Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 17.

- 1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply. a Mail solicitations, b Email solicitations, c Phone solicitations, d In-person solicitations, e Solicitation of non-government grants, f Solicitation of government grants, g Special fundraising events.

- 2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual... 2b If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements...

Table with 6 columns: (i) Name of individual or entity (fundraiser), (ii) Activity, (iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?, (iv) Gross receipts from activity, (v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col (i), (vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization.

- 3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit funds or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing.

Part III Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other Events	(d) Total Events
		<u>Auction Dinner</u> (event type)	(event type)	(total number)	(Add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1 Gross receipts	156,337			156,337
	2 Less Charitable contributions	126,887			126,887
	3 Gross revenue (line 1 minus line 2)	29,450			29,450
Direct Expenses	4 Cash Prizes				
	5 Non-cash Prizes				
	6 Rent/Facility costs				
	7 Other direct expenses	69,994			69,994
	8 Direct expense summary Add lines 4 through 7 in column (d) ▶				69,994
9 Net income summary Combine lines 3 and 8 in column (d) ▶				-40,544	

Part III Gaming. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 19, or reported more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

		(a) Bingo	(b) Pull tabs/Instant bingo/progressive bingo	(c) Other gaming	(d) Total gaming (Add col (a) through col (c))
		1 Gross revenue			
Direct Expenses	2 Cash prizes				
	3 Non-cash prizes				
	4 Rent/facility costs				
	5 Other direct expenses				
	6 Volunteer labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes _____ % <input type="checkbox"/> No	
7 Direct expense summary Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) ▶					
8 Net gaming income summary Combine lines 1 and 7 in column (d) ▶					

		Yes	No
9	Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities _____		
a	Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states?	9a	
b	If "No," Explain _____ _____		
10a	Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year?	10a	
b	If "Yes," Explain _____ _____		
11	Does the organization operate gaming activities with nonmembers?	11	
12	Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming?	12	

13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity operated in

- a** The organization's facility **13a**
- b** An outside facility **13b**

14 Provide the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records

Name ▶ _____

Address ▶ _____

15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue?

- b** If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ _____ and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ _____
- c** If "Yes," enter name and address

Name ▶ _____

Address ▶ _____

16 Gaming manager information

Name ▶ _____

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ _____

Description of services provided ▶ _____

- Director/officer
- Employee
- Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions

- a** Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license?

- b** Enter the amount of distributions required under state law distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ _____

	Yes	No
13a		
13b		
14		
15a		
16		
17a		

Schedule I (Form 990)

OMB No 1545-0047

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments and Individuals in the U.S.

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Complete if the organization answered "Yes," on Form 990, Part IV, lines 21 or 22. Attach to Form 990.

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Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance...
2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 21 for any recipient that received more than \$5,000.

Table with 8 columns: (a) Name and address of organization or government, (b) EIN, (c) IRC section if applicable, (d) Amount of cash grant, (e) Amount of non-cash assistance, (f) Method of valuation, (g) Description of non-cash assistance, (h) Purpose of grant or assistance.

- 2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations
3 Enter total number of other organizations

Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 22.

Use Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.

(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
Tuition Assistance	85	1,111,698			Educational grants towards tuition and fees of individuals

Part IV Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, and any other additional information.

See Additional Data Table

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Procedure for Monitoring Grants in the U S	Part I, Line 2	Schedule I, Part I, Line 2 All grants that the School gives out, are done in the form of financial grants which represent a reduction in the tuition and fees that are required to attend the School Therefore, monitoring of this is quite efficient

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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

▶ Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 23.

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Part I Questions Regarding Compensation

- 1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items
- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First class or charter travel | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e g , maid, chauffeur, chef) |

b If line 1a is checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain

2 Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director Check all that apply

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

4 During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a

- a** Receive a severance payment or change of control payment?
- b** Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?
- c** Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement?
If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III

501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations only must complete lines 5-8.

5 For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?

If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III

6 For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of

- a** The organization?
- b** Any related organization?

If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III

7 For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

8 Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regs section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

	Yes	No
1b		
2		
4a		No
4b		No
4c		No
5a		No
5b		No
6a		No
6b		No
7		No
8		No

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use Schedule J-1 if additional space needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in 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 are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a

(A) Name	(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
	(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other compensation				
Debbie Gibbs	(i)	201,798		21,519	10,090	233,407	
	(ii)						
	(i)						
	(ii)						
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Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Transactions with Interested Persons

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Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c, or Form 990-EZ, Part V lines 38b or 40b.

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Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3) and section 501 (c)(4) organizations only).

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b

Table with 3 main columns: (a) Name of disqualified person, (b) Description of transaction, (c) Corrected? (Yes/No)

2 Enter the amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958. 3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization.

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 26, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a

Table with 7 main columns: (a) Name of interested person and purpose, (b) Loan to or from the organization?, (c) Original principal amount, (d) Balance due, (e) In default?, (f) Approved by board or committee?, (g) Written agreement?

Total

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefitting Interested Persons

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27.

Table with 3 main columns: (a) Name of interested person, (b) Relationship between interested person and the organization, (c) Amount of grant or type of assistance

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

Table with 5 main columns: (a) Name of interested person, (b) Relationship between interested person and the organization, (c) Amount of transaction, (d) Description of transaction, (e) Sharing of organization's revenues?

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)

Supplemental Information to Form 990

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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section A, line 8b		There are no other committees that can act on behalf of the Board

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section A, line 10		The full Board will do a general review of the 990 and the audit committee will do a thorough review prior to filing

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 12c		Through the Board orientation done at the beginning of each academic year, a full explanation of this policy is reviewed. The Board is also made up of many current parents and this perspective also brings with it a constant oversight of the appropriateness of how Board members are not abusing or taking advantage of their role as Trustees. Finally, the School has legal counsel who is quite vigilant around these issues.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section B, line 15		The Head Support and Review Committee annually reviews the Head's compensation package, and utilizes both local comparative statistics provided by the Association of Independent Schools of Greater Washington (AISGW) and The Association of Maryland Schools (AIMS) and national statistics provided by The National Association of Independent Schools (NAIS) based on size of school, and years of experience. A compensation package is then put into place for the Head of School. The full Board does not vote on this particular compensation, but does vote for an annual budget each year, which obviously incorporates this compensation package. There are no other individuals who would meet the criteria for Officer or key employee.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990, Part VI, Section C, line 19		The organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public upon request.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
		Part XI, line 2c. The School has a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit of its financial statements and selection of an independent auditor. There were no changes in these processes from the prior year.