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**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)

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

OMB No 1545-0047

**2008****Open to Public Inspection****A** For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning October 1, 2008, and ending September 30, 20 09**B** Check if applicable:

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

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**C** Name of organization Vermont Rural Education Collaborative, Inc

Doing Business As

Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)

Room/suite

P.O. Box 86

City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4

Cabot, VT 05647-0086

**D** Employer identification number

03 : 0360919

**E** Telephone number

( 802 ) 563-2489

**G** Gross receipts \$**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** Website: ▶**K** Type of organization ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶**L** Year of formation 1999**M** State of legal domicile VT**Part I Summary**

Activities & Governance	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <u>The provision of training to and sharing of experience among school administrators. The provision of leadership training and experiences for secondary school students.</u>		
	<b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its assets		
	<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
	<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>
	<b>5</b> Total number of employees (Part V, line 2a)	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>
	<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	<b>6</b>	<b>4</b>
	Revenue	<b>7a</b> Total gross unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, line 12, column (C)	<b>7a</b>
<b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34.		<b>7b</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)		<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Current Year</b>
<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)		<b>104674</b>	<b>93886</b>
Expenses	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	<b>3431</b>	<b>1380</b>
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6, 7c, 9, 10, and 11e)	<b>531</b>	<b>507</b>
	<b>12</b> Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>108636</b>	<b>95773</b>
	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3)	<b>39766</b>	<b>25703</b>
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)		
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10)		
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)		
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (B), line 25)		
	<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f)	<b>65024</b>	<b>38433</b>
	<b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25).	<b>104790</b>	<b>64136</b>
Net Assets or Fund Balances	<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	<b>3846</b>	<b>31637</b>
	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)	<b>Beginning of Year</b>	<b>End of Year</b>
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	<b>41717</b>	<b>55543</b>
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20.	<b>18466</b>	<b>655</b>
		<b>23251</b>	<b>54888</b>

**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.

**Sign Here** ▶ [Signature] 12-15-10  
 Signature of officer Date

▶ JAN WESTERVELT, TREASURER  
 Type or print name and title

**Paid Preparer's Use Only**

Preparer's signature ▶ Date ▶ Check if self-employed ☐ Preparer's identifying number (see instructions)

Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 ▶ EIN ▶ Phone no ▶ ( )

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

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**Part III** Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see instructions)**1** Briefly describe the organization's mission:

Education leadership - Develop professional education leadership in small communities through training, mentoring and conferences.

**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 501(c)(4) organizations and section 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 \$ 22778 including grants of \$ 8308) (Revenue \$ 30586)  
 Health risk awareness conference for public school students, administrators and teachers. School leadership conference. Mentoring of school administrators. School project mini-grants to nine schools.

**4b** (Code \_\_\_\_\_) (Expenses \$ 15926 including grants of \$ 15926) (Revenue \$ 15926)  
 Programs for elders in the community

**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 ► \$ 46512 (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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	1	✓
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?	2	✓
3 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	3	✓
4 <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	4	✓
5 <b>Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations.</b> Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5	
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I	6	✓
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II	7	✓
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	8	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV	9	✓
10 Did the organization hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	10	✓
11 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, lines 10, 12, 13, 15, or 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable	11	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII	12	✓
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	✓
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the U.S.?	14a	✓
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.? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I	14b	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II.	15	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III	16	✓
17 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I	17	✓
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18	✓
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19	✓
20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20	✓
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21	✓
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22	✓
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	23	✓
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to question 25	24a	✓
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	✓
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?	24c	✓
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	✓
25a <b>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25a	✓
b Did the organization become aware that it had engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person from a prior year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25b	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	26	✓
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27	✓

**Part IV** Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

	Yes	No
<b>28</b> During the tax year, did any person who is a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee.		
<b>a</b> 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>	<b>28a</b>	✓
<b>b</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>	<b>28b</b>	✓
<b>c</b> 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>	<b>28c</b>	✓
<b>29</b> Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	<b>29</b>	✓
<b>30</b> Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	<b>30</b>	✓
<b>31</b> Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>	<b>31</b>	✓
<b>32</b> 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>	<b>32</b>	✓
<b>33</b> Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	<b>33</b>	✓
<b>34</b> 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>	<b>34</b>	✓
<b>35</b> 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>	<b>35</b>	✓
<b>36</b> <b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	<b>36</b>	✓
<b>37</b> Did the organization conduct more than 5% 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>	<b>37</b>	✓

**Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance**

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

**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**

		Yes	No
For each "Yes" response to lines 2–7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8 or 9b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.			
<b>1a</b>	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body	4	
<b>1b</b>	Enter the number of voting members that are independent	4	
<b>2</b>	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?		✓
<b>3</b>	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?		✓
<b>4</b>	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		✓
<b>5</b>	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		✓
<b>6</b>	Does the organization have members or stockholders?		✓
<b>7a</b>	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?		✓
<b>7b</b>	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		✓
<b>8</b>	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
<b>a</b>	The governing body?	✓	
<b>b</b>	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	✓	
<b>9a</b>	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		✓
<b>9b</b>	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?		
<b>10</b>	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	✓	
<b>11</b>	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		✓

**Section B. Policies**

		Yes	No
<b>12a</b>	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	✓	
<b>12b</b>	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	✓	
<b>12c</b>	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	✓	
<b>13</b>	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	✓	
<b>14</b>	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	✓	
<b>15</b>	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:		
<b>a</b>	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official?	✓	
<b>b</b>	Other officers or key employees of the organization?	✓	
	Describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)		
<b>16a</b>	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		✓
<b>16b</b>	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**

<b>17</b>	List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed <b>None</b>
<b>18</b>	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 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. <input type="checkbox"/> Own website <input type="checkbox"/> Another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upon request
<b>19</b>	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
<b>20</b>	State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization <b>Jan Westervelt, 4 Whittier Hill Road, Cabot, Vermont</b>

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

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

**1a** Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation, and **current** key employees. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee, or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

☒ Check this box if the organization did not compensate any officer, director, trustee, or key employee

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<b>Part VII</b>	<b>Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees</b> <i>(continued)</i>
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[illegible]**1b Total**

14560

2 Total number of individuals (including those in 1a) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization ▶ 0

		Yes	No
3	Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	3	✓
4	For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	4	✓
5	Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>	5	✓

## Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
None		

2 Total number of independent contractors (including those in 1) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization ► 0

**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a	Federated campaigns	1a				
	b	Membership dues	1b				
	c	Fundraising events	1c	1480			
	d	Related organizations	1d				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e	7500			
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	84906			
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
	h	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f		93886			
Program Service Revenue	2a	Conference fees	Business Code 900099	1380	1380		
	b						
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f	All other program service revenue					
	g	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f		1380			
	Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		507	507	
4		Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
5		Royalties					
			(i) Real (ii) Personal				
6a		Gross Rents					
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				
b		Less cost or other basis and sales expenses					
c		Gain or (loss)					
d		Net gain or (loss)					
8a		Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ ..... of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18	a				
b		Less direct expenses	b				
c		Net income or (loss) from fundraising events					
9a		Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19	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							
b							
c							
d	All other revenue						
e	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d						
12	<b>Total Revenue.</b> Add lines 1h, 2g, 3, 4, 5, 6d, 7d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e		95773	1887			

**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).

<i>Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.</i>		(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	25703	25703		
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U.S. See Part IV, line 22				
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				
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				
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)				
9	Other employee benefits				
10	Payroll taxes				
11	Fees for services (non-employees).				
a	Management	14250		14250	
b	Legal				
c	Accounting				
d	Lobbying				
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f	Investment management fees				
g	Other	16032	16032		
12	Advertising and promotion				
13	Office expenses	890		890	
14	Information technology	770		770	
15	Royalties				
16	Occupancy				
17	Travel	1714		1714	
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings	4507	4507		
20	Interest				
21	Payments to affiliates				
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23	Insurance				
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	Training	270	270		
b					
c					
d					
e					
f	All other expenses				
25	<b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24f	64136	46512	17624	
26	<b>Joint Costs.</b> Check here <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) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>Assets</b>	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	50	1	2718
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	41667	2	52825
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net		4	
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, or other related parties. Complete Part II of Schedule L.		5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B). Complete Part II of Schedule L.		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost basis	10a		
	b Less accumulated depreciation. Complete Part VI of Schedule D.	10b	10c	
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11.		12	
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11.		13	
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11.		15	
16 <b>Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34).	41717	16	55543	
<b>Liabilities</b>	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	2540	17	655
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	15926	19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D.		21	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L.		22	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable		24	
	25 Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D.		25	
	26 <b>Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25.	18466	26	655
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.</b>			
	27 Unrestricted net assets		27	532
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	23251	28	54356
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	<b>Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.</b>			
	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	23251	33	54888
	34 <b>Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances</b>	41717	34	55543

**Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting**

- 1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual ☐ Other
- 2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?
- b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
- c 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?
- 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?
- b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits?

	Yes	No
2a		✓
2b		✓
2c		
3a		✓
3b		



**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
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1-3						
<b>5</b> 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)						
<b>6 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
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4						
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					<b>12</b>	
<b>13 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 <b>stop here</b> ► <input type="checkbox"/>						

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

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2008 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	<b>14</b>	%
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16a 33⅓ % support test—2008.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33⅓ % or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>b 33⅓ % support test—2007.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33⅓ % or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>17a 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 <b>stop here.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> 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>18 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"/>		

**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 year 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 any "unusual grants.")	123275	97280	84511	104674	92406	502146
<b>2</b> 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						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513			3975	3431	2860	10266
<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	123275	97280	88486	108105	95266	512412
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 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	119700	60000	72500	70000	91676	413876
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b	119700	60000	72500	70000	91676	413876
<b>8 Public support.</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						98536

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6	123275	97280	88486	108105	95266	512412
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	362	447	672	531	507	2519
<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	362	447	672	531	507	2519
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included in 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.)						514931
<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 <b>stop here</b> ► <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>19 %</b>
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g	<b>16</b>	<b>98 %</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>0 %</b>
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h	<b>18</b>	<b>1 %</b>

- 19a 33½ % support tests—2008.** If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33½ %, and line 17 is not more than 33½ %, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☐
- b 33½ % support tests—2007.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33½ %, and line 18 is not more than 33½ %, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ► ☒
- 20 Private foundation.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a, or 19b, check this box and see instructions ► ☐

**Part IV** **Supplemental Information.** 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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## Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations, Governments, and Individuals in the United States

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

OMB No 1545-0047

2009

**Open to Public Inspection**

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

Name of the organization

Vermont Rural Education Collaborative, Inc

Employer identification number  
03 ; 0360919

<b>Part I</b>	<b>General Information on Grants and Assistance</b>
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- 1 Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance?
- 2 Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

☒ Yes ☐ No

**Part II** Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to

**Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21, for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Check this box if no one recipient received more than \$5,000. Use Part IV and Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed

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

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**SCHEDULE O  
(Form 990)**

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Information to Form 990**

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

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Inspection

Name of the organization

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Employer identification number

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**Form 990, Part VI, Question 10 - A copy of form 990 was provided to the organization's board by email. The Treasurer followed up with a call to answer questions. The 990 will be reviewed at the next meeting of the Directors.**