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Return of Private Foundation
 or Section 4947(a)(1) Nonexempt Charitable Trust
 Treated as a Private Foundation

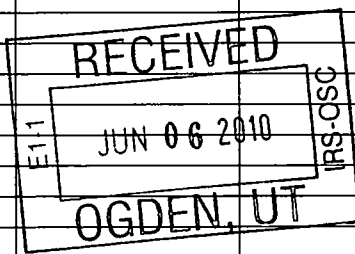
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For calendar year 2009, or tax year beginning , 2009, and ending , 20
 G Check all that apply Initial return Initial return of a former public charity Final return
 Amended return Address change Name change

Use the IRS label. Otherwise, print or type. See Specific Instructions.	Name of foundation STUDENTS FIRST FOUNDATION		A Employer identification number 36-4509196
	Number and street (or P O box number if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	B Telephone number (see page 10 of the instructions)
	200 S. WACKER DRIVE	4000	() -
City or town, state, and ZIP code CHICAGO, IL 60606		C If exemption application is pending, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
H Check type of organization <input type="checkbox"/> Section 501(c)(3) exempt private foundation <input type="checkbox"/> Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust <input type="checkbox"/> Other taxable private foundation		D 1 Foreign organizations, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	
I Fair market value of all assets at end of year (from Part II, col (c), line 16) ▶ \$		J Accounting method <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ (Part I, column (d) must be on cash basis)	E If private foundation status was terminated under section 507(b)(1)(A), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
		F If the foundation is in a 60-month termination under section 507(b)(1)(B), check here <input type="checkbox"/>	

Part I Analysis of Revenue and Expenses (The total of amounts in columns (b), (c), and (d) may not necessarily equal the amounts in column (a) (see page 11 of the instructions))		(a) Revenue and expenses per books	(b) Net investment income	(c) Adjusted net income	(d) Disbursements for charitable purposes (cash basis only)
Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, etc., received (attach schedule)	1,496.			
	2 Check <input type="checkbox"/> if the foundation is not required to attach Sch B.				
	3 Interest on savings and temporary cash investments				
	4 Dividends and interest from securities				
	5 a Gross rents				
	b Net rental income or (loss)				
	6 a Net gain or (loss) from sale of assets not on line 10				
	b Gross sales price for all assets on line 6a				
	7 Capital gain net income (from Part IV, line 2)				
	8 Net short-term capital gain				
	9 Income modifications				
	10 a Gross sales less returns and allowances				
b Less Cost of goods sold					
c Gross profit or (loss) (attach schedule)					
11 Other income (attach schedule)					
12 Total. Add lines 1 through 11	1,496.				
Operating and Administrative Expenses	13 Compensation of officers, directors, trustees, etc				
	14 Other employee salaries and wages				
	15 Pension plans, employee benefits				
	16 a Legal fees (attach schedule)				
	b Accounting fees (attach schedule)				
	c Other professional fees (attach schedule)				
	17 Interest				
	18 Taxes (attach schedule) (see page 14 of the instructions)				
	19 Depreciation (attach schedule) and depletion				
	20 Occupancy				
	21 Travel, conferences, and meetings				
	22 Printing and publications				
	23 Other expenses (attach schedule) ATTCH. 1	1,506.			
	24 Total operating and administrative expenses. Add lines 13 through 23	1,506.			
	25 Contributions, gifts, grants paid				
26 Total expenses and disbursements Add lines 24 and 25	1,506.				
27 Subtract line 26 from line 12					
a Excess of revenue over expenses and disbursements	-10.				
b Net investment income (if negative, enter -0-)		-0-			
c Adjusted net income (if negative, enter -0-)			-0-		



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Part II Balance Sheets		Attached schedules and amounts in the description column should be for end-of-year amounts only (See instructions)			
		Beginning of year	End of year		
		(a) Book Value	(b) Book Value	(c) Fair Market Value	
Assets	1	Cash - non-interest-bearing	568.	558.	
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments			
	3	Accounts receivable ▶ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	4	Pledges receivable ▶ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	5	Grants receivable			
	6	Receivables due from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons (attach schedule) (see page 16 of the instructions)			
	7	Other notes and loans receivable (attach schedule) ▶ Less allowance for doubtful accounts ▶			
	8	Inventories for sale or use			
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges			
	10 a	Investments - U S and state government obligations (attach schedule)			
	b	Investments - corporate stock (attach schedule)			
	c	Investments - corporate bonds (attach schedule)			
	11	Investments - land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
	12	Investments - mortgage loans			
	13	Investments - other (attach schedule)			
	14	Land, buildings, and equipment basis ▶ Less accumulated depreciation (attach schedule) ▶			
15	Other assets (describe ▶)				
16	Total assets (to be completed by all filers - see the instructions Also, see page 1, item I)	568.	558.		
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses	8,750.	8,750.	
	18	Grants payable			
	19	Deferred revenue			
	20	Loans from officers, directors, trustees, and other disqualified persons			
	21	Mortgages and other notes payable (attach schedule)	1,200.	1,200.	ATCH 2
	22	Other liabilities (describe ▶)			
23	Total liabilities (add lines 17 through 22)	9,950.	9,950.		
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Foundations that follow SFAS 117, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>				
	and complete lines 24 through 26 and lines 30 and 31.				
	24	Unrestricted			
	25	Temporarily restricted			
	26	Permanently restricted			
	Foundations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here and complete lines 27 through 31. ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>				
	27	Capital stock, trust principal, or current funds			
	28	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, bldg, and equipment fund			
29	Retained earnings, accumulated income, endowment, or other funds	-9,382.	-9,392.		
30	Total net assets or fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	-9,382.	-9,392.		
31	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances (see page 17 of the instructions)	568.	558.		

Part III Analysis of Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balances		
1	Total net assets or fund balances at beginning of year - Part II, column (a), line 30 (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	1 -9,382.
2	Enter amount from Part I, line 27a	2 -10.
3	Other increases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	3
4	Add lines 1, 2, and 3	4 -9,392.
5	Decreases not included in line 2 (itemize) ▶	5
6	Total net assets or fund balances at end of year (line 4 minus line 5) - Part II, column (b), line 30	6 -9,392.

Part IV Capital Gains and Losses for Tax on Investment Income

Table with columns (a) through (k) for listing property sold, including sales price, depreciation, basis, and gain/loss calculations. Includes summary rows for net capital gain and short-term capital gain.

Part V Qualification Under Section 4940(e) for Reduced Tax on Net Investment Income

(For optional use by domestic private foundations subject to the section 4940(a) tax on net investment income)

If section 4940(d)(2) applies, leave this part blank

Was the foundation liable for the section 4942 tax on the distributable amount of any year in the base period? Yes No

Table for qualification under Section 4940(e) with columns (a) Base period years, (b) Adjusted qualifying distributions, (c) Net value of noncharitable-use assets, and (d) Distribution ratio. Includes summary rows for total, average ratio, and final qualification.

Part VI Excise Tax Based on Investment Income (Section 4940(a), 4940(b), 4940(e), or 4948 - see page 18 of the instructions)

Table with 11 rows for excise tax calculations. Includes items like 'Exempt operating foundations', 'Domestic foundations', 'Tax under section 511', 'Credits/Payments', and 'Tax due'. Columns include line numbers and amounts.

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities

Table with 10 rows for activity statements. Includes questions like 'During the tax year, did the foundation attempt to influence any national, state, or local legislation?', 'Did it spend more than \$100 during the year for political purposes?', and 'Did the foundation have at least \$5,000 in assets at any time during the year?'. Columns include question numbers and Yes/No responses.

Part VII-A Statements Regarding Activities (continued)

11	At any time during the year, did the foundation, directly or indirectly, own a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," attach schedule (see page 20 of the instructions)	11		X
12	Did the foundation acquire a direct or indirect interest in any applicable insurance contract before August 17, 2008?	12		X
13	Did the foundation comply with the public inspection requirements for its annual returns and exemption application? Website address WWW.STUDENTSFIRSTFOUNDATION.US	13		
14	The books are in care of KEVIN J. OKEEFE Telephone no (312) 541-7224 Located at 200 S. WACKER DRIVE STE 4000 ZIP + 4 60606			
15	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-PF in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year 15			

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required

File Form 4720 if any item is checked in the "Yes" column, unless an exception applies.

		Yes	No
1a	During the year did the foundation (either directly or indirectly)		
(1)	Engage in the sale or exchange, or leasing of property with a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(2)	Borrow money from, lend money to, or otherwise extend credit to (or accept it from) a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(3)	Furnish goods, services, or facilities to (or accept them from) a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(4)	Pay compensation to, or pay or reimburse the expenses of, a disqualified person? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(5)	Transfer any income or assets to a disqualified person (or make any of either available for the benefit or use of a disqualified person)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
(6)	Agree to pay money or property to a government official? (Exception. Check "No" if the foundation agreed to make a grant to or to employ the official for a period after termination of government service, if terminating within 90 days) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
b	If any answer is "Yes" to 1a(1)-(6), did any of the acts fail to qualify under the exceptions described in Regulations section 53.4941(d)-3 or in a current notice regarding disaster assistance (see page 20 of the instructions)? <input type="checkbox"/> 1b		
c	Did the foundation engage in a prior year in any of the acts described in 1a, other than excepted acts, that were not corrected before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2009? <input type="checkbox"/> 1c		X
2	Taxes on failure to distribute income (section 4942) (does not apply for years the foundation was a private operating foundation defined in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5))		
a	At the end of tax year 2009, did the foundation have any undistributed income (lines 6d and 6e, Part XIII) for tax year(s) beginning before 2009? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes," list the years _____		
b	Are there any years listed in 2a for which the foundation is not applying the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) (relating to incorrect valuation of assets) to the year's undistributed income? (If applying section 4942(a)(2) to all years listed, answer "No" and attach statement - see page 20 of the instructions) <input type="checkbox"/> 2b		X
c	If the provisions of section 4942(a)(2) are being applied to any of the years listed in 2a, list the years here _____		
3a	Did the foundation hold more than a 2% direct or indirect interest in any business enterprise at any time during the year? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		
b	If "Yes," did it have excess business holdings in 2009 as a result of (1) any purchase by the foundation or disqualified persons after May 26, 1969, (2) the lapse of the 5-year period (or longer period approved by the Commissioner under section 4943(c)(7)) to dispose of holdings acquired by gift or bequest, or (3) the lapse of the 10-, 15-, or 20-year first phase holding period? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine if the foundation had excess business holdings in 2009) <input type="checkbox"/> 3b		
4a	Did the foundation invest during the year any amount in a manner that would jeopardize its charitable purposes? <input type="checkbox"/> 4a		X
b	Did the foundation make any investment in a prior year (but after December 31, 1969) that could jeopardize its charitable purpose that had not been removed from jeopardy before the first day of the tax year beginning in 2009? <input type="checkbox"/> 4b		X

Part VII-B Statements Regarding Activities for Which Form 4720 May Be Required (continued)

5a During the year did the foundation pay or incur any amount to... (1) Carry on propaganda... (2) Influence the outcome of any specific public election... (3) Provide a grant to an individual for travel... (4) Provide a grant to an organization other than a charitable... (5) Provide for any purpose other than religious... b If any answer is "Yes" to 5a(1)-(5), did any of the transactions fail to qualify... c If the answer is "Yes" to question 5a(4), does the foundation claim exemption... 6a Did the foundation, during the year, receive any funds... b Did the foundation, during the year, pay premiums... 7a At any time during the tax year, was the foundation a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? b If yes, did the foundation receive any proceeds or have any net income...

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors

1 List all officers, directors, trustees, foundation managers and their compensation (see page 22 of the instructions).

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and address, (b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position, (c) Compensation (If not paid, enter -0-), (d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation, (e) Expense account, other allowances. Rows include RONALD J GIDWITZ, HERBERT J. HALPERIN, KEVIN J O'KEEFE.

2 Compensation of five highest-paid employees (other than those included on line 1 - see page 23 of the instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$50,000, (b) Title, and average hours per week devoted to position, (c) Compensation, (d) Contributions to employee benefit plans and deferred compensation, (e) Expense account, other allowances. Row 1 contains NONE.

Total number of other employees paid over \$50,000

Part VIII Information About Officers, Directors, Trustees, Foundation Managers, Highly Paid Employees, and Contractors (continued)

3 Five highest-paid independent contractors for professional services (see page 23 of the instructions). If none, enter "NONE."

(a) Name and address of each person paid more than \$50,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

Total number of others receiving over \$50,000 for professional services **NONE**

Part IX-A Summary of Direct Charitable Activities

List the foundation's four largest direct charitable activities during the tax year. Include relevant statistical information such as the number of organizations and other beneficiaries served, conferences convened, research papers produced, etc.

	Expenses
1 N/A	
2	
3	
4	

Part IX-B Summary of Program-Related Investments (see page 23 of the instructions)

Describe the two largest program-related investments made by the foundation during the tax year on lines 1 and 2

	Amount
1 NONE	
2	
All other program-related investments See page 24 of the instructions	
3 NONE	

Total. Add lines 1 through 3

Part X Minimum Investment Return (All domestic foundations must complete this part. Foreign foundations, see page 24 of the instructions.)

1	Fair market value of assets not used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Average monthly fair market value of securities	1a	
b	Average of monthly cash balances	1b	
c	Fair market value of all other assets (see page 24 of the instructions)	1c	0.
d	Total (add lines 1a, b, and c)	1d	0.
e	Reduction claimed for blockage or other factors reported on lines 1a and 1c (attach detailed explanation)	1e	
2	Acquisition indebtedness applicable to line 1 assets	2	0.
3	Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	0.
4	Cash deemed held for charitable activities Enter 1 1/2 % of line 3 (for greater amount, see page 25 of the instructions)	4	0.
5	Net value of noncharitable-use assets. Subtract line 4 from line 3 Enter here and on Part V, line 4	5	0.
6	Minimum investment return. Enter 5% of line 5	6	0.

Part XI Distributable Amount (see page 25 of the instructions) (Section 4942(j)(3) and (j)(5) private operating foundations and certain foreign organizations check here and do not complete this part)

1	Minimum investment return from Part X, line 6	1	0.
2a	Tax on investment income for 2009 from Part VI, line 5	2a	0.
b	Income tax for 2009 (This does not include the tax from Part VI)	2b	
c	Add lines 2a and 2b	2c	0.
3	Distributable amount before adjustments Subtract line 2c from line 1	3	0.
4	Recoveries of amounts treated as qualifying distributions	4	
5	Add lines 3 and 4	5	0.
6	Deduction from distributable amount (see page 25 of the instructions)	6	
7	Distributable amount as adjusted Subtract line 6 from line 5 Enter here and on Part XIII, line 1	7	0.

Part XII Qualifying Distributions(see page 25 of the instructions)

1	Amounts paid (including administrative expenses) to accomplish charitable, etc., purposes		
a	Expenses, contributions, gifts, etc - total from Part I, column (d), line 26	1a	
b	Program-related investments - total from Part IX-B	1b	0.
2	Amounts paid to acquire assets used (or held for use) directly in carrying out charitable, etc., purposes	2	0.
3	Amounts set aside for specific charitable projects that satisfy the		
a	Suitability test (prior IRS approval required)	3a	0.
b	Cash distribution test (attach the required schedule)	3b	0.
4	Qualifying distributions. Add lines 1a through 3b Enter here and on Part V, line 8, and Part XIII, line 4	4	0.
5	Foundations that qualify under section 4940(e) for the reduced rate of tax on net investment income Enter 1% of Part I, line 27b (see page 26 of the instructions)	5	N/A
6	Adjusted qualifying distributions. Subtract line 5 from line 4	6	0.

Note: The amount on line 6 will be used in Part V, column (b), in subsequent years when calculating whether the foundation qualifies for the section 4940(e) reduction of tax in those years

Part XIII Undistributed Income (see page 26 of the instructions)

	(a) Corpus	(b) Years prior to 2008	(c) 2008	(d) 2009
1 Distributions available for 2009 from Part XI, line 7				0.
2 Undistributed income, if any, as of the end of 2009				
a Enter amount for 2008 only				
b Total for prior years 20 07, 20 06, 20 05				
3 Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2009				
a From 2004				
b From 2005				
c From 2006				
d From 2007				
e From 2008 9,849.				
f Total of lines 3a through e	9,849.			
4 Qualifying distributions for 2009 from Part XII, line 4 ▶ \$ 0.				
a Applied to 2008, but not more than line 2a				
b Applied to undistributed income of prior years (Election required - see page 26 of the instructions)				
c Treated as distributions out of corpus (Election required - see page 26 of the instructions)				
d Applied to 2009 distributable amount				
e Remaining amount distributed out of corpus	0.			
5 Excess distributions carryover applied to 2009 (If an amount appears in column (d), the same amount must be shown in column (a))	0.			0.
6 Enter the net total of each column as indicated below:				
a Corpus Add lines 3f, 4c, and 4e Subtract line 5	9,849.			
b Prior years' undistributed income Subtract line 4b from line 2b				
c Enter the amount of prior years' undistributed income for which a notice of deficiency has been issued, or on which the section 4942(a) tax has been previously assessed.				
d Subtract line 6c from line 6b Taxable amount - see page 27 of the instructions				
e Undistributed income for 2008 Subtract line 4a from line 2a Taxable amount - see page 27 of the instructions				
f Undistributed income for 2009 Subtract lines 4d and 5 from line 1 This amount must be distributed in 2010				0.
7 Amounts treated as distributions out of corpus to satisfy requirements imposed by section 170(b)(1)(F) or 4942(g)(3) (see page 27 of the instructions)				
8 Excess distributions carryover from 2004 not applied on line 5 or line 7 (see page 27 of the instructions)				
9 Excess distributions carryover to 2010. Subtract lines 7 and 8 from line 6a	9,849.			
10 Analysis of line 9				
a Excess from 2005				
b Excess from 2006				
c Excess from 2007				
d Excess from 2008 9,849.				
e Excess from 2009				

Part XIV Private Operating Foundations (see page 27 of the instructions and Part VII-A, question 9) NOT APPLICABLE

1 a If the foundation has received a ruling or determination letter that it is a private operating foundation, and the ruling is effective for 2009, enter the date of the ruling

b Check box to indicate whether the foundation is a private operating foundation described in section 4942(j)(3) or 4942(j)(5)

	Tax year	Prior 3 years			(e) Total
	(a) 2009	(b) 2008	(c) 2007	(d) 2006	
2 a Enter the lesser of the adjusted net income from Part I or the minimum investment return from Part X for each year listed					
b 85% of line 2a					
c Qualifying distributions from Part XII, line 4 for each year listed					
d Amounts included in line 2c not used directly for active conduct of exempt activities					
e Qualifying distributions made directly for active conduct of exempt activities Subtract line 2d from line 2c					
3 Complete 3a, b, or c for the alternative test relied upon					
a "Assets" alternative test - enter					
(1) Value of all assets					
(2) Value of assets qualifying under section 4942(j)(3)(B)(i)					
b "Endowment" alternative test - enter 2/3 of minimum investment return shown in Part X, line 6 for each year listed					
c "Support" alternative test - enter					
(1) Total support other than gross investment income (interest, dividends, rents, payments on securities loans (section 512(a)(5)), or royalties)					
(2) Support from general public and 5 or more exempt organizations as provided in section 4942(j)(3)(B)(iii)					
(3) Largest amount of support from an exempt organization					
(4) Gross investment income					

Part XV Supplementary Information (Complete this part only if the foundation had \$5,000 or more in assets at any time during the year - see page 28 of the instructions.)

1 Information Regarding Foundation Managers:

a List any managers of the foundation who have contributed more than 2% of the total contributions received by the foundation before the close of any tax year (but only if they have contributed more than \$5,000). (See section 507(d)(2))

N/A

b List any managers of the foundation who own 10% or more of the stock of a corporation (or an equally large portion of the ownership of a partnership or other entity) of which the foundation has a 10% or greater interest

N/A

2 Information Regarding Contribution, Grant, Gift, Loan, Scholarship, etc., Programs:

Check here if the foundation only makes contributions to preselected charitable organizations and does not accept unsolicited requests for funds. If the foundation makes gifts, grants, etc (see page 28 of the instructions) to individuals or organizations under other conditions, complete items 2a, b, c, and d

a The name, address, and telephone number of the person to whom applications should be addressed

N/A

b The form in which applications should be submitted and information and materials they should include

N/A

c Any submission deadlines

N/A

d Any restrictions or limitations on awards, such as by geographical areas, charitable fields, kinds of institutions, or other factors

N/A

Part XV Supplementary Information (continued)

3 Grants and Contributions Paid During the Year or Approved for Future Payment

Recipient Name and address (home or business)	If recipient is an individual, show any relationship to any foundation manager or substantial contributor	Foundation status of recipient	Purpose of grant or contribution	Amount
a <i>Paid during the year</i>				
Total				▶ 3a
b <i>Approved for future payment</i>				
Total				▶ 3b

ATTACHMENT 1

FORM 990PF, PART I - OTHER EXPENSES

<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>REVENUE AND EXPENSES PER BOOKS</u>
FILING FEES	10.
INSURANCE	1,496.
TOTALS	<u>1,506.</u>

ATTACHMENT 2

FORM 990PF, PART II - MORTGAGES AND OTHER NOTES PAYABLE

LENDER: RON GIDWITZ

ORIGINAL AMOUNT: 1,200.

BEGINNING BALANCE DUE 1,200.

ENDING BALANCE DUE 1,200.

TOTAL BEGINNING MORTGAGES AND OTHER NOTES PAYABLE 1,200.

TOTAL ENDING MORTGAGES AND OTHER NOTES PAYABLE 1,200.

STUDENTS FIRST FOUNDATION

36-4509196

FORM 990PF, PART VII-A, LINE 10 - NEW SUBSTANTIAL CONTRIBUTORS

ATTACHMENT 3

NAME AND ADDRESS

DATE

RONALD GIDWITZ
200 S WACKER DRIVE, SUITE 4000

12/31/2009