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Short Form

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)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

▶ Sponsoring organizations of donor advised funds, organizations that operate one or more hospital facilities, and certain controlling organizations as defined in section 512(b)(13) must file Form 990 (see instructions). All other organizations with gross receipts less than \$200,000 and total assets less than \$500,000 at the end of the year may use this form.

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

A For the 2010 calendar year, or tax year beginning 07-01-2010 , and ending 06-30-2011

B Check if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	C Name of organization MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS		D Employer identification number 81-0332063
	Number and street (or P O box, if mail is not delivered to street address) 900 N MONTANA STE A-4	Room/suite	E Telephone number (406) 442-2510
	City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 HELENA, MT 59601		F Group Exemption Number <input type="checkbox"/>

G Accounting method ☐ Cash ☒ Accrual Other (specify)

I Website: WWW.SAMMT.ORG

J Tax-Exempt status (check only one) — ☐ 501(c)(3) ☒ 501(c)(6) (insert no) ☐ 4947(a)(1) or ☐ 527

H Check ☒ if the organization is **not** required to attach Schedule B (Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF)

K Check ☐ If the organization is not a section 509(a)(3) supporting organization **and** its gross receipts are normally **not** more than \$50,000 A Form 990-EZ or Form 990 return is not required though Form 990-N (e-postcard) may be required (see instructions) But if the organization chooses to file a return, be sure to file a complete return

L Add lines 5b, 6c, and 7b, to line 9 to determine gross receipts. If gross receipts are \$200,000 or more, or if total assets (Part II, line 25, column (B) below) are \$500,000 or more, file Form 990 instead of Form 990-EZ \$ 132,809

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

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part I ☒

Revenue	1	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	0
	2	Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	43,783
	3	Membership dues and assessments	3	81,940
	4	Investment income	4	7,086
	5a	Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	0
	c	Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	0
	6	Gaming and fundraising events		
	a	Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	0
	b	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 0 of contributions from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceed \$15,000)		
	c	Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	0
	d	Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (Add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d	0
	7a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	7a	
b	Less cost of goods sold	7b	0	
c	Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	0	
8	Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8		
9	Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	132,809	
Expenses	10	Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	
	11	Benefits paid to or for members	11	
	12	Salaries, other compensation, and employee benefits	12	
	13	Professional fees and other payments to independent contractors	13	203
	14	Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	
	15	Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	400
	16	Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	131,153
	17	Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	131,756
Net Assets	18	Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	1,053
	19	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (from line 27, column (A)) (must agree with end-of-year figure reported on prior year's return)	19	306,744
	20	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	20	
	21	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 18 through 20	21	307,797

Part II

Balance Sheets

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

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(See the instructions for Part II)		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year	
22	Cash, savings, and investments	247,283	22	254,326
23	Land and buildings	101,960	23	98,049
24	Other assets (describe in Schedule O)	1,250	24	1,250
25	Total assets	350,493	25	353,625
26	Total liabilities (describe in Schedule O)	43,749	26	45,828
27	Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21) .	306,744	27	307,797

Part III

Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III

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What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?		Expenses	
EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS		(Required for section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts, optional for others)	
Describe what was achieved in carrying out the organization's exempt purposes. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.			
28	THE ASSOCIATION CONDUCTS WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES, MEETINGS AND CONVENTIONS. THE PRIMARY FOCUS IS TO KEEP ITS MEMBERS INFORMED AND EDUCATED ON CURRENT ISSUES. (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	28a	
29			
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	29a	
30			
	(Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	30a	
31	Other program services (describe in Schedule O) (Grants \$) If this amount includes foreign grants, check here <input type="checkbox"/>	31a	
32	Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)	32	

Part IV

List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees. List each one even if not compensated. (See the instructions for Part IV.)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV

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(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 & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances
See Additional Data Table				

Part V

Other Information (Note the statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V ☐

		Yes	No
33	Did the organization engage in any activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O		No
34	Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O (see instructions)		No
35	If the organization had income from business activities, such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a (among others), but not reported on Form 990-T, explain in Schedule O why the organization did not report the income on Form 990-T		
a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more or was it a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements?	35a	No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a tax return on Form 990-T for this year? (see instructions)	35b	
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N	36	No
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ▶	37a	
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	37b	No
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?	38a	No
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	38b	
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	39a	
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	39b	
40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ▶, section 4912 ▶, section 4955 ▶		
b	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	40b	
c	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ▶		
d	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ▶		
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T	40e	No
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ▶		
42a	The organization's books are in care of ▶ MT ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL ADM Telephone no ▶ (406) 442-2510 900 N MONTANA STE A-4 Located at ▶ HELENA, MT ZIP + 4 ▶ 59601		
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts .	42b	No
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U S ? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ▶	42c	No
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 —Check here <input type="checkbox"/> and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ▶ 43		
44a	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds? If "Yes", Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ.	44a	No
b	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44b	No
c	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c	No
d	If "Yes" to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	44d	

		Yes	No
45	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' Form 990 and Schedule R must be completed instead of Form990-EZ		No
45a	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If 'Yes,' Form 990 and Schedule R must be completed instead of Form990-EZ		No
46	Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I		No

Part VI

Section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts only.

All section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must answer questions 47-49b and 52.

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

	Yes	No
47	Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	
48	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	
49a	Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	
49b	If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization If there is none, enter "None "

(a) Name and address of each employee paid more than \$100,000	(b) Title and average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Compensation	(d) Contributions to employee benefit plans & deferred compensation	(e) Expense account and other allowances

50(f) Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000

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

(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation

51(d) Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **NOTE:** All Section 501(c)(3) organizations and 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts must attach a completed Schedule A

☐ Yes ☐ No

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

Sign Here	***** Signature of officer		2012-05-15 Date		
	DARRELL RUD EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Type or print name and title				
Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature	ELIZABETH A HUSSEY	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's taxpayer identification number (See instructions)
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4	BETSY'S BOOKS PC PO BOX 9690 HELENA, MT 59604			EIN
					Phone no

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

☐ Yes ☐ No

SCHEDULE O

(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

OMB No 1545-0047

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Name of the organization MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS	Employer identification number 81-0332063
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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990EZ, Part I, Line 16		DEPRECIATION 3911 NATIONAL DUES 41533 ADMINISTRATION FEES 24125 MISCELLANEOUS 3695 AWARDS 420 INSURANCE 1250 TRAVEL 5119 CONFERENCE, CONVENTIONS, MEETINGS 47939 TELEPHONE 303 NUTRITIONAL ACTIVITIES 2858

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990EZ, Part II, Line 24		PREPAID EXPENSES 1250 1250

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990EZ, Part II, Line 26		DEFERRED REVENUE 43749 45828

Form

4562

Depreciation and Amortization
(Including Information on Listed Property)

OMB No 1545-0172

2010

Attachment
Sequence No 67

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service (99)

See separate instructions. Attach to your tax return.

Name(s) shown on return MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS	Business or activity to which this form relates Form 990 / Form 990EZ	Identifying number 81-0332063
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Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under Section 179

Note: If you have any listed property, complete Part V before you complete Part I.

1	Maximum amount See the instructions for a higher limit for certain businesses	1	\$ 500,000
2	Total cost of section 179 property placed in service (see instructions)	2	
3	Threshold cost of section 179 property before reduction in limitation (see instructions)	3	\$ 2,000,000
4	Reduction in limitation Subtract line 3 from line 2 If zero or less, enter -0-	4	
5	Dollar limitation for tax year Subtract line 4 from line 1 If zero or less, enter -0- If married filing separately, see instructions	5	
6	(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
7	Listed property Enter the amount from line 29	7	
8	Total elected cost of section 179 property Add amounts in column (c), lines 6 and 7	8	
9	Tentative deduction Enter the smaller of line 5 or line 8	9	
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from line 13 of your 2009 Form 4562	10	
11	Business income limitation Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 (see instructions)	11	
12	Section 179 expense deduction Add lines 9 and 10, but do not enter more than line 11	12	
13	Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2011 Add lines 9 and 10, less line 12 .	13	

Note: Do not use Part II or Part III below for listed property. Instead, use Part V.

Part II Special Depreciation Allowance and Other Depreciation (Do not include listed property) (See instructions)

14	Special depreciation allowance for qualified property (other than listed property) placed in service during the tax year (see instructions)	14	
15	Property subject to section 168(f)(1) election	15	
16	Other depreciation (including ACRS)	16	

Part III MACRS Depreciation (Do not include listed property.) (See instructions.)

Section A

17	MACRS deductions for assets placed in service in tax years beginning before 2010	17	3,911
18	If you are electing to group any assets placed in service during the tax year into one or more general asset accounts, check here		

Section B—Assets Placed in Service During 2010 Tax Year Using the General Depreciation System

(a) Classification of property	(b) Month and year placed in service	(c) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only—see instructions)	(d) Recovery period	(e) Convention	(f) Method	(g) Depreciation deduction
19a 3-year property						
b 5-year property						
c 7-year property						
d 10-year property						
e 15-year property						
f 20-year property						
g 25-year property			25 yrs		S/L	
h Residential rental property			27 5 yrs	MM	S/L	
			27 5 yrs	MM	S/L	
i Nonresidential real property			39 yrs	MM	S/L	
				MM	S/L	

Section C—Assets Placed in Service During 2010 Tax Year Using the Alternative Depreciation System

20a Class life					S/L	
b 12-year			12 yrs		S/L	
c 40-year			40 yrs	MM	S/L	

Part IV Summary (see instructions)

21	Listed property Enter amount from line 28	21	
22	Total. Add amounts from line 12, lines 14 through 17, lines 19 and 20 in column (g), and line 21 Enter here and on the appropriate lines of your return Partnerships and S corporations—see instructions	22	3,911
23	For assets shown above and placed in service during the current year, enter the portion of the basis attributable to section 263A costs	23	

Part V

Listed Property (Include automobiles, certain other vehicles, certain computers, and property used for entertainment, recreation, or amusement.)
Note: For any vehicle for which you are using the standard mileage rate or deducting lease expense, complete **only** 24a, 24b, columns (a) through (c) of Section A, all of Section B, and Section C if applicable.

Section A—Depreciation and Other Information (Caution: See the instructions for limits for passenger automobiles.)

24a Do you have evidence to support the business/investment use claimed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No						24b If "Yes," is the evidence written? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No			
(a) Type of property (list vehicles first)	(b) Date placed in service	(c) Business/ investment use percentage	(d) Cost or other basis	(e) Basis for depreciation (business/investment use only)	(f) Recovery period	(g) Method/ Convention	(h) Depreciation/ deduction	(i) Elected section 179 cost	
25Special depreciation allowance for qualified listed property placed in service during the tax year and used more than 50% in a qualified business use (see instructions)							25		
26 Property used more than 50% in a qualified business use									
		%							
		%							
		%							
27 Property used 50% or less in a qualified business use									
		%				S/L -			
		%				S/L -			
		%				S/L -			
28 Add amounts in column (h), lines 25 through 27 Enter here and on line 21, page 1						28			
29 Add amounts in column (i), line 26 Enter here and on line 7, page 1							29		

Section B—Information on Use of Vehicles

Complete this section for vehicles used by a sole proprietor, partner, or other "more than 5% owner," or related person
If you provided vehicles to your employees, first answer the questions in Section C to see if you meet an exception to completing this section for those vehicles

30 Total business/investment miles driven during the year (do not include commuting miles)	(a) Vehicle 1		(b) Vehicle 2		(c) Vehicle 3		(d) Vehicle 4		(e) Vehicle 5		(f) Vehicle 6	
31 Total commuting miles driven during the year												
32 Total other personal(noncommuting) miles driven												
33 Total miles driven during the year Add lines 30 through 32												
34 Was the vehicle available for personal use during off-duty hours?	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No
35 Was the vehicle used primarily by a more than 5% owner or related person?												
36 Is another vehicle available for personal use?												

Section C—Questions for Employers Who Provide Vehicles for Use by Their Employees

Answer these questions to determine if you meet an exception to completing Section B for vehicles used by employees who **are not** more than 5% owners or related persons (see instructions)

37 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits all personal use of vehicles, including commuting, by your employees?	Yes	No
38 Do you maintain a written policy statement that prohibits personal use of vehicles, except commuting, by your employees? See the instructions for vehicles used by corporate officers, directors, or 1% or more owners		
39 Do you treat all use of vehicles by employees as personal use?		
40 Do you provide more than five vehicles to your employees, obtain information from your employees about the use of the vehicles, and retain the information received?		
41 Do you meet the requirements concerning qualified automobile demonstration use? (See instructions)		
Note: If your answer to 37, 38, 39, 40, or 41 is "Yes," do not complete Section B for the covered vehicles		

Part VI Amortization

(a) Description of costs	(b) Date amortization begins	(c) Amortizable amount	(d) Code section	(e) Amortization period or percentage	(f) Amortization for this year
42 Amortization of costs that begins during your 2010 tax year (see instructions)					
43 Amortization of costs that began before your 2010 tax year				43	
44 Total. Add amounts in column (f) See the instructions for where to report				44	

Additional Data

Software ID:

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Name: MONTANA ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS

Form 990EZ, Part IV - List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees

(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 & deferred compensation	(E) Expense account and other allowances
BRUCE MESSINGER HELENA SCHOOLS SOUTH RODNEY ST HELENA, MT 59601	BOARD MEMBER 0 00	0		
JULIE WALKER PLEVNA SCHOOLS BOX 158 PLEVNA, MT 59344	BOARD MEMBER 0 00	0		
ALVIN BUERKLE SWEET GRASS CO HIGH BOX 886 BIG TIMBER, MT 59011	PAST PRESIDENT 0 00	0		
DARRELL RUD SAM 900 N MONTANA AVE STE A-4 HELENA, MT 59601	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR 0 00	0		
RON WHITMOYER EAST HELENA SCHOOLS BOX 1280 EAST HELENA, MT 59635	PRESIDENT 0 00	0		
TODD FISKE WEST VALLEY SCHOOL 2290 FARM TO MARKET KALISPELL, MT 59901	BOARD MEMBER 0 00	0		
BRAD MOORE RICHEY SCHOOLS BOX 60 RICHEY, MT 59259	BOARD MEMBER 0 00	0		
FRANK FRICKANISCE DODSON SCHOOLS BOX 278 DODSON, MT 59524	BOARD MEMBER 0 00	0		