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Form 990-EZ

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

# 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)

- 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

OMB No 1545-1150

2011

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A For the 2011 calendar year, or tax year beginning , and ending

B Check if applicable

- Address change
- Name change
- Initial return
- Terminated
- Amended return
- Application pending

C Name of organization

S.P.A.R.K.S Foundation Inc

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

1052 Main Street PO Box 383

Room/suite

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

Blue Ball PA 17506

D Employer identification number

06-1689284

E Telephone number

717-355-0220

F Group Exemption

Number ►

G Accounting Method  Cash  Accrual Other (specify) ►

I Website: ► scienceexplorers.com/sparks

J Tax-exempt status (check only one) —  501(c)(3)  501(c)( ) (insert no)  4947(a)(1) or  527H 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 or a section 527 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 ► \$ 154,740

## 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 

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Revenue	1 Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts received	1	154,739
	2 Program service revenue including government fees and contracts	2	
	3 Membership dues and assessments	3	
	4 Investment income	4	1
	5a Gross amount from sale of assets other than inventory	5a	
	b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	5b	
	c Gain or (loss) from sale of assets other than inventory (Subtract line 5b from line 5a)	5c	
	6 Gaming and fundraising events	6d	
	a Gross income from gaming (attach Schedule G if greater than \$15,000)	6a	
Expenses	b Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ from fundraising events reported on line 1) (attach Schedule G if the sum of such gross income and contributions exceeds \$15,000)	6b	
	c Less direct expenses from gaming and fundraising events	6c	
	d Net income or (loss) from gaming and fundraising events (add lines 6a and 6b and subtract line 6c)	6d	
	7a Gross sales of inventory, less refunds and allowances	7a	
	b Less cost of goods sold	7b	
	c Gross profit or (loss) from sales of inventory (Subtract line 7b from line 7a)	7c	
	8 Other revenue (describe in Schedule O)	8	
	9 Total revenue. Add lines 1, 2, 3, 4, 5c, 6d, 7c, and 8	9	154,740
	10 Grants and similar amounts paid (list in Schedule O)	10	3,304
Net Assets	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	3,380
	14 Occupancy, rent, utilities, and maintenance	14	559
	15 Printing, publications, postage, and shipping	15	3,689
	16 Other expenses (describe in Schedule O)	16	152,270
	17 Total expenses. Add lines 10 through 16	17	163,202
	18 Excess or (deficit) for the year (Subtract line 17 from line 9)	18	-8,462
	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	1,582
	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	-6,880

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**Part V Other Information** (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the instructions for Part V.) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V 

33 Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O 33  Yes  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) 34  Yes  No

35a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)? 35a  Yes  No

b If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O 35b  Yes  No

c Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III 35c  Yes  No

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  Yes  No

37a Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions ► 37a 37b  Yes  No

b Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? 37b  Yes  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  Yes  No

b If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved 38b  Yes  No

39 Section 501(c)(7) organizations Enter 39a  Yes  No

a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9 39b  Yes  No

b Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities 39c  Yes  No

40a Section 501(c)(3) organizations Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under section 4911 ► 0, section 4912 ► 0, section 4955 ► 0 40b  Yes  No

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 40c  Yes  No

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 40d  Yes  No

d Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization 40e  Yes  No

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 40f  Yes  No

41 List the states with which a copy of this return is filed ► PA

42a The organization's books are in care of ► S.P.A.R.K.S Foundation, Inc. Telephone no ► 717-355-0220

Located at ► 1052 Main Street PA ZIP + 4 ► 17506

Located at ► Blue Ball PA ZIP + 4 ► 17506

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 ► 42b  Yes  No

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

c At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside of the U.S.? If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country. ► 42c  Yes  No

43 Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 — Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year ► 43  Yes  No

44a Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ 44a  Yes  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  Yes  No

c Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year? 44c  Yes  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

45a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? 45a  Yes  No

45b 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 may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions) 45b  Yes  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

	Yes	No
46		X

**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, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51.  
Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI

47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II

	Yes	No
47		X
48		X
49a		X
49b		

48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?

b If "Yes," was the related organization 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) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
None				

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ► 0

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"

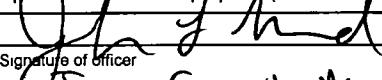
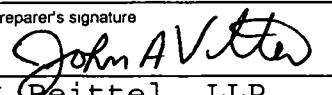
(a) Name and address of each independent contractor paid more than \$100,000	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
Science Explorers, Inc. 1052 Main Street	Blue Ball PA 17506	Camps/assembly
		138,039

d Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000 ► 0

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	► 	Date			
	Signature of officer Jennifer L. Moorehead, Executive Director, 11/12/12	Type or print name and title			
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name John A. Vottero, CPA	Preparer's signature  CPS	Date 11/12/12	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P01282718
	Firm's name ► Hatter, Harris & Beittel, LLP	Firm's EIN ► 23-2942924			
	Firm's address ► 32-A East Roseville Road Lancaster, PA 17601	Phone no 717-569-2601			

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

►  Yes  No

**SCHEDULE A**  
**(Form 990 or 990-EZ)**
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service
**Public Charity Status and Public Support**

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2011****Open to Public  
Inspection**Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section  
4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ► See separate instructions.

Name of the organization

S.P.A.R.K.S Foundation Inc

Employer identification number  
06-1689284**Part I Reason for Public Charity Status** (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box)

1  A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).  
 2  A school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Attach Schedule E )  
 3  A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).  
 4  A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii). Enter the hospital's name, city, and state  
 5  An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv). (Complete Part II )  
 6  A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).  
 7  An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Complete Part II )  
 8  A community trust described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi). (Complete Part II )  
 9  An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See section 509(a)(2). (Complete Part III )  
 10  An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See section 509(a)(4).  
 11  An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2) See section 509(a)(3). Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h  
     a  Type I     b  Type II     c  Type III—Functionally integrated     d  Type III—Other  
 e  By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)  
 f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, or Type III supporting organization, check this box   
 g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?  
     (i) A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the supported organization?  
     (ii) A family member of a person described in (i) above?  
     (iii) A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?  
 h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

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

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1-9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U.S.?		(vii) Amount of support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
(A)									
(B)									
(C)									
(D)									
(E)									
<b>Total</b>									

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Form 990 or 990-EZ.

Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2011

**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 or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►

	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants")	154,489	141,447	106,193	138,630	154,739	695,498
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	154,489	141,447	106,193	138,630	154,739	695,498
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						641,663
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						53,835

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►

	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	154,489	141,447	106,193	138,630	154,739	695,498
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources			1	18	1	20
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)				350		350
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						695,868
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (see instructions)					12	
13 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						► <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

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

14 Public support percentage for 2011 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))

14 %

15 Public support percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part II, line 14

15 %

16a 33 1/3% support test—2011. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

► 

b 33 1/3% support test—2010. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

► 

17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2011. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

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b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2010. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization

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18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions

►

**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 or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 <b>Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 <b>Public support</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6 )						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2007	(b) 2008	(c) 2009	(d) 2010	(e) 2011	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV )						
13 <b>Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 )						
14 <b>First five years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						

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

15 Public support percentage for 2011 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

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

17 Investment income percentage for 2011 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2010 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%
19a 33 1/3% support tests—2011. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		
b 33 1/3% support tests—2010. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3%, and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		
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 explanations required by Part II, line 10, Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information (See instructions)

## Part II, Line 10 - Other Income Detail

Miscellaneous	\$	350
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**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 990-EZ or to provide any additional information.**

► Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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2011

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**Name of the organization**

S.P.A.R.K.S Foundation Inc

Employer identification number  
06-1689284

Form 990-EZ, Part I, Line 16 - Other Expenses

Description	Amount
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## Expenses

Subcontract expense	\$	138,039
Supplies	\$	1,594
Dues and subscriptions	\$	463
Filing fee	\$	150
Bank fees	\$	53
Copier lease	\$	4,633
Copier service contract	\$	5,296
Special events	\$	913
Marketing	\$	150
Travel and entertainment	\$	275
Miscellaneous	\$	238
Non-investment Depreciation	\$	466
	Total \$	152,270

Form 990-EZ, Part II - Additional Information

The loan payable listed on the Balance Sheet  
is to a related corporation, Science Explorers, Inc.

The executive director of the Foundation owns a majority of stock of Science Explorers, Inc.

Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 24 - Other Assets

## Schedule O (Form 990 or 990-EZ) (2011)

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Name of the organization	Employer identification number		
S.P.A.R.K.S Foundation Inc	06-1689284		
Computer equipment	\$	5,102	\$ 5,102
Less Accumulated Depreciation	\$	2,315	\$ 2,781
Leasehold improvements	\$	1,250	\$ 1,250
Less Accumulated Depreciation	\$	257	\$ 340
	Total \$	3,780	\$ 3,231

## Form 990-EZ, Part II, Line 26 - Other Liabilities

Description	Beg. of Year	End of Year
Unsecured Notes and Loans Payable	\$ 3,290	\$ 15,100

## Form 990-EZ, Part III, Line 28 - First Accomplishment

Provide four and five week hands-on science programs to approximately 4,365 underprivileged students in kindergarten through third grade.

The grant portion is scholarships for children to attend science camp. The scholarships are for full or partial payment of camp registration fees for approximately 15 children.

## Form 990-EZ, Part III, Line 31 - All Other Accomplishment

One educational scholarship was awarded.

**Application for Extension of Time To File an  
Exempt Organization Return**

► File a separate application for each return.

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** and check this box. ►
- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** (on page 2 of this form)

**Do not complete Part II unless** you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

**Electronic filing (e-file).** You can electronically file Form 8868 if you need a 3-month automatic extension of time to file (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T), or an additional (not automatic) 3-month extension of time. You can electronically file Form 8868 to request an extension of time to file any of the forms listed in Part I or Part II with the exception of Form 8870, Information Return for Transfers Associated With Certain Personal Benefit Contracts, which must be sent to the IRS in paper format (see instructions). For more details on the electronic filing of this form, visit [www.irs.gov/efile](http://www.irs.gov/efile) and click on e-file for Charities & Nonprofits.

**Part I Automatic 3-Month Extension of Time.** Only submit original (no copies needed).

A corporation required to file Form 990-T and requesting an automatic 6-month extension—check this box and complete

Part I only ► *All other corporations (including 1120-C filers), partnerships, REMICs, and trusts must use Form 7004 to request an extension of time to file income tax returns.*

Enter filer's Identifying number, see instructions

Type or print	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions <b>S P A R K S Foundation, Inc.</b>	Employer identification number (EIN) or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 06-1689284
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P O box, see instructions. <b>1052 Main Street, PO Box 383</b>	Social security number (SSN) <input type="checkbox"/>
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions <b>Blue Ball</b>	PA 17506

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return)

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Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 990-EZ	01	Form 4720	09
Form 990-PF	04	Form 5227	10
Form 990-T (sec 401(a) or 408(a) trust)	05	Form 6069	11
Form 990-T (trust other than above)	06	Form 8870	12

- The books are in the care of ► **S P A R K S Foundation, Inc.**

Telephone No. ► (717) 355-0220

FAX No. ►

- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box

• If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) \_\_\_\_\_ If this is for the whole group, check this box ►  If it is for part of the group, check this box ►  and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for.

1 I request an automatic 3-month (6 months for a corporation required to file Form 990-T) extension of time until 8/15/2012, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:

►  calendar year 2011 or►  tax year beginning \_\_\_\_\_, and ending \_\_\_\_\_.

2 If the tax year entered in line 1 is for less than 12 months, check reason:  Initial return  Final return  
 Change in accounting period

3a	If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	3a	\$
b	If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit	3b	\$
c	Balance due. Subtract line 3b from line 3a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions	3c	\$
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Caution. If you are going to make an electronic fund withdrawal with this Form 8868, see Form 8453-EO and Form 8879-EO for payment instructions

For Privacy Act and Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see Instructions.

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Form **8868** (Rev 1-2012)

- If you are filing for an **Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part II** and check this box  ►

Note. Only complete Part II if you have already been granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

- If you are filing for an **Automatic 3-Month Extension**, complete only **Part I** (on page 1).

**Part II Additional (Not Automatic) 3-Month Extension of Time.** Only file the original (no copies needed).

Enter filer's identifying number, see instructions

Type or print	Name of exempt organization S P A.R.K.S Foundation, Inc	Employer identification number (EIN) or <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 06-1689284
File by the due date for filing your return. See instructions	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P O box, see instructions 1052 Main Street, PO Box 383	Social security number (SSN) <input type="checkbox"/>
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions Blue Ball	PA 17506

Enter the Return code for the return that this application is for (file a separate application for each return)

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**STOP!** Do not complete Part II if you were not already granted an automatic 3-month extension on a previously filed Form 8868.

- The books are in the care of ► Jennifer Moorehead Telephone No. ► (717) 355-0220 FAX No. ► (717) 355-0822
- If the organization does not have an office or place of business in the United States, check this box  ►
- If this is for a Group Return, enter the organization's four digit Group Exemption Number (GEN) \_\_\_\_\_ If this is for the whole group, check this box  ►  If it is for part of the group, check this box  ►  and attach a list with the names and EINs of all members the extension is for

- I request an additional 3-month extension of time until 11/15/2012
- For calendar year 2011, or other tax year beginning \_\_\_\_\_ and ending \_\_\_\_\_
- If the tax year entered in line 5 is for less than 12 months, check reason:  Initial return  Final return  
 Change in accounting period
- State in detail why you need the extension. Taxpayer needs additional time to gather information to file a complete and accurate return.

8a	If this application is for Form 990-BL, 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter the tentative tax, less any nonrefundable credits. See instructions.	8a	\$
b	If this application is for Form 990-PF, 990-T, 4720, or 6069, enter any refundable credits and estimated tax payments made. Include any prior year overpayment allowed as a credit and any amount paid previously with Form 8868.	8b	\$
c	Balance due. Subtract line 8b from line 8a. Include your payment with this form, if required, by using EFTPS (Electronic Federal Tax Payment System). See instructions.	8c	\$ 0

**Signature and Verification must be completed for Part II only.**

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this form, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete, and that I am authorized to prepare this form

Signature ►

*John A. Ulster*

Title ►

*PARTNER*

Date ►

*7/23/12*