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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No 1545-0047

2012

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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.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

A For the 2012 calendar year, or tax year beginning JULY 01, 2012, and ending JUNE 30, 20 13

B Check if applicable:
 Address change
 Name change
 Initial return
 Terminated
 Amended return
 Application pending

C Name of organization ACCELERATE INSTITUTE
 Doing Business As (F/K/A THE ALAIN LOCKE INITIATIVE)
 Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
 150 N MICHIGAN AVENUE 2100
 City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code
 CHICAGO, IL 60601-7559

D Employer identification number
36-3764476

E Telephone number
(312)893-6600

G Gross receipts \$ 1,610,830

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)

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

J Website: WWW.ACCELERATEINSTITUTE.ORG

K Form of organization: Corporation Trust Association Other

L Year of formation 1991 **M State of legal domicile** IL

H(c) Group exemption number

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1	Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: ACCELERATE INSTITUTE IS AN ORGANIZATION DEVOTED TO THE BETTERMENT OF URBAN CHILDREN THROUGH EDUCATION		
	2	Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	3	Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	3
	4	Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	3
	5	Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2012 (Part V, line 2a)	5	57
	6	Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	9
	7a	Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	0
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-B, line 34	7b	0	
Revenue	8	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	Prior Year	Current Year
	9	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	1,438,770	1,277,418
	10	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	546,746	229,178
	11	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, and 11e)	19,126	0
	12	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1,998,572	1,489,200
Expenses	13	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	300,000	300,000
	14	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0	0
	15	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	2,308,299	2,157,606
	16a	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0
	b	Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) 423,717		
	17	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	1,601,997	1,205,608
	18 Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	4,210,296	3,663,214	
	19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	-2,211,724	-2,174,014	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	20	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	Beginning of Current Year	End of Year
	21	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	3,395,636	1,179,074
	22	Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	217,488	174,940
		3,178,148	1,004,134	

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 of officer: *Robert J Birdsell* Date: 2-11-14

ROBERT J BIRDELL, PRESIDENT AND CEO
Type or print name and title

Paid Preparer Use Only

Print/Type preparer's name: NICOLE BENCIK
 Preparer's signature: *Nicole Bencik*
 Date: 2/6/14
 Check if self-employed
 PTIN: P00756195

Firm's name: CROWE HORWATH LLP
 Firm's EIN: 35-0921680
 Firm's address: 70 WEST MADISON STREET, SUITE 700, CHICAGO, IL 60602-4903
 Phone no: (312)899-7000

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:
ACCELERATE INSTITUTE IS AN ORGANIZATION FOCUSED ON CLOSING THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP BY CREATING HIGH IMPACT SCHOOL LEADERS THAT ACCELERATE STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT
(CONTINUED IN SCHEDULE O)

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 organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations 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 \$ 2,801,241 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 229,669)

THE RYAN FELLOWSHIP SEEKS TO SOLVE THE ISSUE OF UNDERPERFORMING URBAN CHARTER SCHOOLS BY DEVELOPING AN ELITE CORPS OF RYAN FELLOWS THROUGH A ONE YEAR FELLOWSHIP IN ACHIEVEMENT ACCELERATING LEADERSHIP FOR THE HIGHEST POTENTIAL SCHOOL LEADERS PRINCIPALS THAT COMPLETED THE PREDECESSOR PRINCIPAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM ACHIEVED AN AVERAGE +32% STUDENT GROWTH IN THE FIRST YEAR OF OPERATION

ICTC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY AIMS TO DEVELOP MASTER TEACHERS INTO TRANSFORMATIONAL SCHOOL LEADERS BY IMPROVING THEIR INSTRUCTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS WITHIN THEIR SCHOOL THE FOCUS OF THE PROGRAM IS LEVERAGING DATA TO DRIVE INSTRUCTION, IMPLEMENTING TEACHER COACHING AND PROVIDING EFFECTIVE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT EACH TEACHER LEADER WILL ENGAGE IN ACTION RESEARCH FOCUSED ON RAISING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT BY STRENGTHENING THEIR OWN CLASSROOM TEACHING AND SUPPORTING COLLEAGUES AS THEY IMPROVE THEIR INSTRUCTION

(CONTINUED ON SCHEDULE O)

4b (Code:) (Expenses \$ 300,000 including grants of \$ 300,000) (Revenue \$)

ALAIN LOCKE CHARTER SCHOOL IS AN ORGANIZATION WHICH WAS INCORPORATED IN 1997 AND SERVES AS A DEMONSTRATION FOR URBAN SCHOOLS EXEMPLIFYING EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMICS, THE ARTS, PERSONAL AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT, AND PREPARING STUDENTS WHO ARE GLOBALLY COMPETITIVE ONE OF CHICAGO'S FIRST CHARTER SCHOOLS, ALAIN LOCKE CHARTER SCHOOL IS ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL URBAN CHARTER SCHOOLS IN THE UNITED STATES LOCATED IN THE HEART OF CHICAGO'S WEST SIDE, ALAIN LOCKE CHARTER SCHOOL SERVES STUDENTS IN GRADES PRE-K THROUGH 8

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

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O.)
(Expenses \$ 0 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)

4e Total program service expenses ▶ 3,101,241

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 (see instructions)?	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 Section 501(c)(3) organizations. 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	4	✓
5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	5	✓
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which 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, for escrow or custodial account liability; 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, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V	10	✓
11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is "Yes," then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable.		
a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI	11a ✓	
b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII	11b	✓
c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII	11c	✓
d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX	11d	✓
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11e ✓	
f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11f ✓	
12 a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	12a	✓
b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional	12b ✓	
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	✓
14 a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	✓
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV	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, Parts II and IV	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, Parts III and IV	16	✓
17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions)	17	✓
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II	18 ✓	
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III	19	✓
20 a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20a	✓
b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return?	20b	

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

		Yes	No
21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to any government or organization in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i>	✓	
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i>		✓
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5 about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i>		✓
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25</i>		✓
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		✓
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i>		✓
26	Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highest compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i>		✓
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i>		✓
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		✓
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		✓
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		✓
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		✓
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		✓
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		✓
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		✓
33	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>		✓
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i>	✓	
35a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	✓	
b	If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	✓	
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		✓
37	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>		✓
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	✓	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No checkboxes. Includes questions 1a-14b regarding Form 1096, Form W-2G, Form W-3, Form 990-T, Form 8886-T, Form 8282, Form 8899, Form 1098-C, Form 4966, Form 497(a)(1), Form 501(c)(7), Form 501(c)(12), Form 4947(a)(1), and Form 501(c)(29).

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to line 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions. Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year		
	If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain in Schedule O.		
1b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
6	Did the organization have members or stockholders?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7a	Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
7b	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
8a	The governing body?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
8b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
9	Is there any officer, director, 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		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
10b	If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?		
11a	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
11b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
12a	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12b	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
12c	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
13	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
14	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
15a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
15b	Other officers or key employees of the organization		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions).		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
16b	If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?		

Section C. Disclosure

- 17** List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed ► IL
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (Section 501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply.
 Own website Another's website Upon request Other (explain in Schedule O)
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public during the tax year.
- 20** State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization: ► JUDY MCGARVEY, 150 N MICHIGAN AVENUE, SUITE 2100, CHICAGO, IL 60601-7559, (312)893-6600

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

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII

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

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."
- 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 neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee.

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) PATRICK G RYAN JR CHAIRMAN	15 15			✓				0	0	0
(2) LYDIA RYAN DIRECTOR	1 0			✓				0	0	0
(3) ROBERT J W RYAN DIRECTOR	1 0			✓				0	0	0
(4) ROBERT BIRDELL PRESIDENT AND CEO (START 12/3/2013)	40 15					✓		17,500	0	0
(5) JUDY MCGARVEY TREASURER	10 10					✓		0	0	0
(6) DAWN MOORE ASSISTANT TREASURER	1 1					✓		0	0	0
(7) CLAIRE HARTFIELD VICE PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, AND COO	40 15					✓		147,280	0	11,912
(8) ELAINE BERNDES RYAN FELLOWSHIP MANAGING DIRECTOR	40 0							114,928	0	10,871
(9) EILEEN MULLIN-GASTEIER VICE PRESIDENT OF EXTERNAL RELATIONS	40 10							132,304	0	10,820
(10)										
(11)										
(12)										
(13)										
(14)										

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and title	(B) Average hours per week (list any hours for related organizations below dotted line)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(15)										
(16)										
(17)										
(18)										
(19)										
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
1b Sub-total							412,012	0	33,603	
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A							0	0	0	
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)							412,012	0	33,603	

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **▶ 3**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>		✓
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>		✓
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		✓

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. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization **▶ 0**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VIII.

			(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 451,895				
	d Related organizations	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e 29,938				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f 795,585				
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		1,277,418			
Program Service Revenue	Business Code					
	2a PROGRAM FEES	900099	229,178	229,178		
	b		0			
	c		0			
	d		0			
	e		0			
	f All other program service revenue .		0	0	0	0
g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		229,178				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		0			
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0			
	5 Royalties		0			
	6a Gross rents	(i) Real				
		(ii) Personal				
	b Less: rental expenses					
	c Rental income or (loss)	0	0			
	d Net rental income or (loss)		0			
	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)	0	0			
	d Net gain or (loss)		0			
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 451,895 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a 103,000				
	b Less: direct expenses	b 121,630				
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		-18,630			-18,630	
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		0				
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		0				
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code				
11a REIMBURSEMENT	900099	743			743	
b OTHER REVENUE	900099	491	491			
c		0				
d All other revenue		0	0	0	0	
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		1,234				
12 Total revenue. See instructions.		1,489,200	229,669	0	-17,887	

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).

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part IX

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States. See Part IV, line 21	300,000	300,000		
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States. See Part IV, line 22	0			
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0			
4 Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	217,938	212,206	5,732	
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0			
7 Other salaries and wages	1,615,421	1,271,274	46,052	298,095
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	32,277	26,552	847	4,878
9 Other employee benefits	134,166	110,369	3,522	20,275
10 Payroll taxes	157,804	130,459	4,047	23,298
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management	0			
b Legal	719		719	
c Accounting	32,972		32,972	
d Lobbying	0			
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17	0			
f Investment management fees	0			
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	251,735	199,575	38,741	13,419
12 Advertising and promotion	113,587	90,149		23,438
13 Office expenses	77,964	66,254	185	11,525
14 Information technology	5,066	4,125		941
15 Royalties	0			
16 Occupancy	225,895	225,895		
17 Travel	224,425	200,300		24,125
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials	0			
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	30,590	30,449		141
20 Interest	705		705	
21 Payments to affiliates	0			
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	15,639	15,639		
23 Insurance	57,536	54,077	3,459	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a GRADUATE SCHOOL TUITION/BOOKS	85,336	85,336		
b SUMMER SCHOOL PROGRAM	26,039	26,039		
c SCHOOL MENTOR & ACTIVITIES	14,590	14,590		
d GENERAL OPERATING EXPENSES	8,048	3,191	1,275	3,582
e All other expenses	34,762	34,762	0	0
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	3,663,214	3,101,241	138,256	423,717
26 Joint costs. Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)	0			

Part X Balance Sheet

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part X

		(A)		(B)
		Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	500	1	500
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	498,413	2	800,072
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	2,438,500	3	199,831
	4 Accounts receivable, net	348,864	4	76,938
	5 Loans and other receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	0
	6 Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	0
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	53,406	9	63,614
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a 127,466		
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b 105,651	34,149	10c 21,815
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11	
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11	0	12	0
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11	0	13	0
	14 Intangible assets		14	
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	21,804	15	16,304
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	3,395,636	16	1,179,074	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	163,795	17	129,328
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue	2,500	19	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		20	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D		21	
	22 Loans and other payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L		22	0
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	24,233	23	16,081
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		24	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24). Complete Part X of Schedule D	26,960	25	29,531
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	217,488	26	174,940
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	386,335	27	309,950
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	2,791,813	28	694,184
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
33 Total net assets or fund balances	3,178,148	33	1,004,134	
34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	3,395,636	34	1,179,074	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	1,489,200
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	3,663,214
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-2,174,014
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	3,178,148
5	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	5	
6	Donated services and use of facilities	6	
7	Investment expenses	7	
8	Prior period adjustments	8	
9	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	9	0
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	1,004,134

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII

- 1** Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: Cash Accrual Other _____
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O.
- 2a** Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? . . .
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- b** Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:
 Separate basis Consolidated basis Both consolidated and separate basis
- c** If "Yes" to line 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? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O.
- 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? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits

	Yes	No
2a		✓
2b	✓	
2c	✓	
3a		✓
3b		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No 1545-0047

2012

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.

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

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Employer identification number

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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—Non-functionally integrated
- 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?

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

h Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

(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 monetary support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
(A)									
(B)									
(C)									
(D)									
(E)									
Total									0

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2012

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) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	1,460,788	2,721,484	7,360,743	1,438,770	1,277,418	14,259,203
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	1,460,788	2,721,484	7,360,743	1,438,770	1,277,418	14,259,203
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)						5,802,027
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.						8,457,176

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	1,460,788	2,721,484	7,360,743	1,438,770	1,277,418	14,259,203
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	1,325	1,110	48	3		2,486
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	2,144	15,421	1,951	140,002	104,234	263,752
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						14,525,441
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions)					12	0
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 type="checkbox"/>						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2012 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	58 22 %
15 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	73 86 %
16a 33 1/3% support test—2012. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
b 33 1/3% support test—2011. 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 ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2012. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b, and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2011. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a, and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>		
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check 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 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) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 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 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(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 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

14 First five years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and **stop here**

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public support percentage for 2012 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	%
16 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2012 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	%
18 Investment income percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	%

19a 33 1/3% support tests—2012. 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—2011. 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).

Return Reference	Identifier	Explanation						
		Description	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
SCHEDULE A, PART II, LINE 10	OTHER INCOME	MISCELLANEOUS INCOME	2,144	15,421	1,951	0	1,234	20,750
		GROSS RECEIPTS FROM FUNDRAISING	0	0	0	140,002	103,000	243,002

**SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)**

Supplemental Financial Statements

OMB No 1545-0047

2012

**Open to Public
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Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Name of the organization

▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.**
▶ **Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.**

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

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		
5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

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

- Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply).

<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of an historically important land area
<input type="checkbox"/> Protection of natural habitat	<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of a certified historic structure
<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of open space	
- Complete lines 2a through 2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)	2c
d Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06, and not on a historic structure listed in the National Register	2d
- Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶ _____
- Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ _____
- Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? Yes No
- Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ _____
- Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ _____
- Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? Yes No
- In Part XIII, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements.

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

- If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIII, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items.
- If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116 (ASC 958), to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items:

(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1	▶ \$ _____
(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X	▶ \$ _____
- If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 (ASC 958) relating to these items:

a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1	▶ \$ _____
b Assets included in Form 990, Part X	▶ \$ _____

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

- 3** Using the organization's acquisition, accession, and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply):
- a** Public exhibition
 - b** Scholarly research
 - c** Preservation for future generations
 - d** Loan or exchange programs
 - e** Other
- 4** Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIII.
- 5** During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

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

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- | | Amount |
|--|-----------|
| c Beginning balance | 1c |
| d Additions during the year | 1d |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e |
| f Ending balance | 1f |
- 2a** Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? Yes No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII. Check here if the explanation has been provided in Part XIII

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

- | | (a) Current year | (b) Pnor year | (c) Two years back | (d) Three years back | (e) Four years back |
|---|------------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1a Beginning of year balance | | | | | |
| b Contributions | | | | | |
| c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses | | | | | |
| d Grants or scholarships | | | | | |
| e Other expenditures for facilities and programs | | | | | |
| f Administrative expenses | | | | | |
| g End of year balance | | | | | |
- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶ %
 - b** Permanent endowment ▶ %
 - c** Temporarily restricted endowment ▶ %
- The percentages in lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.
- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- | | Yes | No |
|------------------------------------|---------------|----|
| (i) unrelated organizations | 3a(i) | |
| (ii) related organizations | 3a(ii) | |
- b** If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?
- 3b**
- 4** Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

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

Description of property	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				0
b Buildings				0
c Leasehold improvements				0
d Equipment		127,466	105,651	21,815
e Other				0
Total. Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				21,815

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

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
(I)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 12.) ▶		

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

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
(10)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 13.) ▶		

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

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1)	
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 15.) ▶	

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

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	
(2) DEFERRED RENT	29,531
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
(10)	
(11)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col. (B) line 25.) ▶	29,531

2. FIN 48 (ASC 740) Footnote. In Part XIII, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740). Check here if the text of the footnote has been provided in Part XIII

Part XIII

Supplemental Information Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9; Part III, lines 1a and 4; Part IV, lines 1b and 2b; Part V, line 4; Part X, line 2; Part XI, lines 2d and 4b; and Part XII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Return Reference	Identifier	Explanation
SCHEDULE D, PART X, LINE 2	FIN 48 (ASC 740) FOOTNOTE	<p>THE ORGANIZATION IS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION AND QUALIFIES UNDER SECTION 501 (C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE FOR TAX-EXEMPT STATUS. THE ORGANIZATION FOLLOWS ACCOUNTING STANDARDS APPLICABLE TO UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS. NO PROVISION HAS BEEN MADE FOR INCOME TAXES IN THE ACCOMPANYING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, AS THE ORGANIZATION HAS HAD NO UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME.</p> <p>MANAGEMENT BELIEVES THE ORGANIZATION HAS NO MATERIAL UNRECOGNIZED INCOME TAX BENEFITS, INCLUDING ANY POTENTIAL LOSS OF ITS TAX-EXEMPT STATUS. THE ORGANIZATION RECOGNIZES INTEREST AND PENALTIES RELATED TO UNRECOGNIZED TAX BENEFITS IN INTEREST AND INCOME TAX EXPENSE, RESPECTIVELY. THE ORGANIZATION RECOGNIZED AND ACCRUED NO AMOUNTS FOR INTEREST OR PENALTIES AS OF AND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2013 OR 2012. THE ORGANIZATION HAS NOT BEEN EXAMINED BY ANY TAX JURISDICTION, AND IS NO LONGER SUBJECT TO EXAMINATION BY THE FEDERAL OR STATE TAXING AUTHORITIES FOR YEARS BEFORE THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010. THE ORGANIZATION DOES NOT EXPECT THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF UNRECOGNIZED TAX BENEFITS TO SIGNIFICANTLY CHANGE IN THE NEXT 12 MONTHS.</p>

Part II Fundraising Events. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 18, or reported more than \$15,000 of fundraising event contributions and gross income on Form 990-EZ, lines 1 and 6b. List events with gross receipts greater than \$5,000.

		(a) Event #1	(b) Event #2	(c) Other events	(d) Total events
		IMPACT	PLACES (CANCELLED)		(add col (a) through col (c))
		(event type)	(event type)	(total number)	
Revenue	1	Gross receipts	543,820	11,075	554,895
	2	Less: Contributions	440,820	11,075	451,895
	3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	103,000	0	103,000
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes			0
	5	Noncash prizes			0
	6	Rent/facility costs			0
	7	Food and beverages	90,000		90,000
	8	Entertainment			0
	9	Other direct expenses	20,761	10,869	31,630
	10	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶			
11	Net income summary. Combine line 3, column (d), and line 10 ▶				-18,630

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

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

9 Enter the state(s) in which the organization operates gaming activities: _____

a Is the organization licensed to operate gaming activities in each of these states? Yes No

b If "No," explain: _____

10a Were any of the organization's gaming licenses revoked, suspended or terminated during the tax year? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain: _____

**SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)**

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**Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,
Governments, and Individuals in the United States**

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

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

ACCELERATE INSTITUTE

36-3764476

Part I General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 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? **Yes** **No**
- 2** Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States.

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

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance
(1) ALAIN LOCKE CHARTER SCHOOL 150 N. MICHIGAN AVE SUITE 2100, CHICAGO IL 60601	36-4182397	501(C)(3)	300,000	0	N/A	N/A	OPERATING ASSISTANCE
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							
(8)							
(9)							
(10)							
(11)							
(12)							

2 Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations listed in the line 1 table 1

3 Enter total number of other organizations listed in the line 1 table 0

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

Return Reference	Identifier	Explanation
SCHEDULE I, PART I, LINE 2	PROCEDURES FOR MONITORING USE OF GRANT FUNDS	ACCELERATE INSTITUTE COLLECTS AND RECORDS INFORMATION ON GRANTS PAID THROUGH WRITTEN PROGRESS REPORTS AS WELL AS THROUGH PHONE CALLS AND SITE VISITS, WHICH ARE RECORDED IN A FILE NOTE FUNDS ARE PROPERLY ACCOUNTED FOR USING ACCEPTED ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLES, WITH SAFEGUARDS TO PREVENT MISUSE

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

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Return Reference	Identifier	Explanation
FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1	ORGANIZATION'S MISSION	THE INSTITUTE IS ANCHORED BY FOUR PROGRAMS THE RYAN FELLOWSHIP, WHICH SEEKS TO SOLVE THE ISSUE OF UNDERPERFORMING URBAN CHARTER SCHOOLS BY IDENTIFYING AND DEVELOPING TRANSFORMATIONAL SCHOOL PRINCIPALS WITH EXPERTISE IN ACCELERATING STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT THROUGH A ONE-YEAR FELLOWSHIP AND TWO YEARS OF MENTORED SUPPORT, ICTC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY, WHICH ACCELERATES THE DEVELOPMENT OF HIGH LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL TEACHERS INTO INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERS PREPARING TO MOVE TO THE NEXT LEVEL, THE RYAN AWARD, WHICH HONORS SUCCESSFUL TRANSFORMATIONAL SCHOOL PRINCIPALS IN THE UNITED STATES, ENGAGING THEM IN DEVELOPING THE NEXT GENERATION OF SCHOOL LEADERS, AND ALAIN LOCKE CHARTER SCHOOL, THE ORGANIZATION'S SUBSIDIARY, A PRE-K THROUGH 8TH GRADE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL IN ONE OF CHICAGO'S MOST UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES THE SCHOOL FOCUSES ON ABSOLUTE EXCELLENCE AND PREPARING ITS STUDENTS TO BE GLOBALLY COMPETITIVE
FORM 990, PART III, LINE 2	NEW PROGRAM SERVICES	ICTC LEADERSHIP ACADEMY AND THE RYAN AWARD PLEASE SEE PART III, LINE 4A FOR DETAILS
FORM 990, PART III, LINE 3	SIGNIFICANT CHANGES IN PROGRAM SERVICES	THE INNER-CITY TEACHING CORPS (ICTC) PROGRAM IS IN THE PROCESS OF BEING PHASED OUT AND WILL BE COMPLETELY REMOVED IN FISCAL YEAR 2015
FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A	PROGRAM SERVICE DESCRIPTION	(CONTINUED FROM FORM 990, PART III, LINE 4A) THE RYAN AWARD, GIVEN OUT BY THE ACCELERATE INSTITUTE, IS THE FIRST MAJOR NATIONAL AWARD RECOGNIZING THE AMAZING SCHOOL LEADERS ACROSS AMERICA WHO ARE GETTING THE JOB DONE AWARDEES RECEIVE A \$25,000 HONORARIUM AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE FEATURED AS A SPECIAL GUEST LECTURER IN THE SUMMER PROGRAM OF THE ACCELERATE INSTITUTE AT NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY'S KELLOGG SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT THESE ARE LEADERS THAT OVER A NUMBER OF YEARS ARE DOING CLOSE TO TWO YEARS' WORTH OF LEARNING EVERY YEAR THEIR STORIES AND STRATEGIES WILL BE PROFILED SO THAT THE NEXT GENERATION OF SCHOOL LEADERS CAN GAIN POWERFUL INSPIRATION AND INSIGHT FROM THEIR SUCCESSES THE RYAN AWARD WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE ACCELERATE INSTITUTE AND MADE POSSIBLE BY THE PATRICK G AND SHIRLEY W RYAN FOUNDATION
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 2	FAMILY/BUSINESS RELATIONSHIPS AMONGST INTERESTED PERSONS	PATRICK G RYAN JR , LYDIA RYAN, AND ROBERT J W RYAN - FAMILY RELATIONSHIP
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B	REVIEW OF FORM 990 BY GOVERNING BODY	THE ORGANIZATION'S MANAGEMENT WORKS WITH ITS INDEPENDENT THIRD PARTY TAX PREPARERS TO COMPLETE THE FORM 990 UPON ITS COMPLETION, THE ORGANIZATION'S MANAGEMENT PERFORMS A DETAILED PRELIMINARY REVIEW OF THE PREPARED FORM 990 SUBSEQUENT TO THE PRELIMINARY REVIEW, A COPY OF THE COMPLETED FORM 990 IS DISTRIBUTED TO THE FULL BOARD FOR THEIR REVIEW AND COMMENTS PRIOR TO FILING WITH THE IRS
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY	THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY INCLUDES ANY DIRECTOR, ADVISORY DIRECTOR, OFFICER, OR MEMBER OF A COMMITTEE WITH BOARD-DELEGATED POWERS WHO HAS A DIRECT OR INDIRECT FINANCIAL INTEREST IN CONNECTION WITH ANY ACTUAL OR POSSIBLE CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, AN INTERESTED PERSON MUST DISCLOSE THE EXISTENCE OF HIS OR HER FINANCIAL INTEREST TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND MEMBERS OF ANY COMMITTEE WITH BOARD-DELEGATED POWERS CONSIDERING THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION IF IT IS DETERMINED THAT A CONFLICT OF INTEREST EXISTS, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR COMMITTEE SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER THE ORGANIZATION CAN OBTAIN A MORE ADVANTAGEOUS TRANSACTION WITH REASONABLE EFFORTS FROM A PERSON OR ENTITY THAT WOULD NOT GIVE RISE TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST IF IT IS DETERMINED THAT AN INTERESTED PERSON HAS A CONFLICT THE ORGANIZATION TAKES ACTION TO ENSURE THAT APPROPRIATE RESTRICTIONS ARE PUT IN PLACE SUCH AS PROHIBITING THEM FROM ANY RELATED DISCUSSION, VOTE OR SIMILAR ACTION ON THE MATTER THE BOARD OR COMMITTEE MAY, IF APPROPRIATE, APPOINT A DISINTERESTED PERSON OR COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION IF THE BOARD OR COMMITTEE DETERMINES THAT A MORE ADVANTAGEOUS TRANSACTION IS NOT REASONABLY ATTAINABLE UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES THAT WOULD NOT GIVE RISE TO A CONFLICT OF INTEREST, THE BOARD OR COMMITTEE SHALL DETERMINE BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE DISINTERESTED DIRECTORS WHETHER THE PROPOSED TRANSACTION IS IN THE ORGANIZATION'S BEST INTERESTS AND IS FAIR AND REASONABLE TO THE ORGANIZATION, AND SHALL MAKE ITS DECISION (BY MAJORITY VOTE OF THE DISINTERESTED DIRECTORS) AS TO WHETHER TO ENTER INTO THE TRANSACTION IN CONFORMITY WITH SUCH DETERMINATION

Return Reference	Identifier	Explanation
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A	PROCESS USED TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION OF TOP MANAGEMENT OFFICIAL	<p>THE ORGANIZATION'S BOARD UTILIZES COMPARABILITY DATA FOR SIMILARLY QUALIFIED PERSONS IN FUNCTIONALLY COMPARABLE POSITIONS IN THE INDUSTRY OBTAINED FROM A COMPENSATION STUDY, AS WELL AS PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS TO DETERMINE THE COMPENSATION OF THE ORGANIZATION'S TOP MANAGEMENT OFFICIAL</p> <p>THE FINAL DETERMINATION OF COMPENSATION ARRANGEMENT IS SUBJECT TO THE ORGANIZATION'S INDEPENDENT BOARD'S REVIEW AND APPROVAL AND DOCUMENTED IN A WRITTEN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT</p> <p>THE PROCESS FOR DETERMINING COMPENSATION FOR ACCELERATE INSTITUTE'S COO AND CEO WAS LAST UNDERTAKEN IN JULY 2012 AND OCTOBER 2012, RESPECTIVELY</p>
FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15B	OTHER OFFICERS AND KEY EMPLOYEES	THERE ARE NO OTHER OFFICERS AND KEY EMPLOYERS AT ACCELERATE INSTITUTE OTHER THAN THOSE MENTIONED IN FORM 990, PART VI, LINE 15A
FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC	THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ITS CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, AND AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

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▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35, 36, or 37.
▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 33.)

(a) Name, address, and EIN (if applicable) of disregarded entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Total income	(e) End-of-year assets	(f) Direct controlling entity
(1)					
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related tax-exempt organizations during the tax year.)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
(1) ALAIN LOCKE CHARTER SCHOOL (36-4182397) 150 N MICHIGAN AVE, STE 2100, CHICAGO, IL 60601-7559	EDUCATION	IL	501(C)(3)	2	ACCELERATE INSTITUTE		✓
(2)							
(3)							
(4)							
(5)							
(6)							
(7)							

Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a partnership during the tax year.)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under sections 512-514)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V-UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
							Yes	No		Yes	No	
(1)												
(2)												
(3)												
(4)												
(5)												
(6)												
(7)												

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34 because it had one or more related organizations treated as a corporation or trust during the tax year.)

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Direct controlling entity	(e) Type of entity (C corp, S corp, or trust)	(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Percentage ownership	(i) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No
(1)									
(2)									
(3)									
(4)									
(5)									
(6)									
(7)									

Part V Transactions With Related Organizations (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 34, 35b, or 36.)

Note. Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III, or IV of this schedule.

		Yes	No
1	During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?		
a	Receipt of (i) interest (ii) annuities (iii) royalties or (iv) rent from a controlled entity		✓
b	Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s)	✓	
c	Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s)		✓
d	Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s)		✓
e	Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s)		✓
f	Dividends from related organization(s)		✓
g	Sale of assets to related organization(s)		✓
h	Purchase of assets from related organization(s)		✓
i	Exchange of assets with related organization(s)		✓
j	Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s)		✓
k	Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s)		✓
l	Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s)		✓
m	Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s)		✓
n	Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s)		✓
o	Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s)		✓
p	Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses		✓
q	Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses		✓
r	Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s)		✓
s	Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s)		✓

2	(a) Name of other organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1)	ALAIN LOCKE CHARTER SCHOOL	O	135,628	COST
(2)	ALAIN LOCKE CHARTER SCHOOL	B	300,000	COST
(3)				
(4)				
(5)				
(6)				

Part VI **Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership** (Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 37.)

Provide the following information for each entity taxed as a partnership through which the organization conducted more than five percent of its activities (measured by total assets or gross revenue) that was not a related organization. See instructions regarding exclusion for certain investment partnerships.

(a) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Predominant income (related, unrelated, excluded from tax under section 512-514)	(e) Are all partners section 501(c)(3) organizations?		(f) Share of total income	(g) Share of end-of-year assets	(h) Disproportionate allocations?		(i) Code V—UBI amount in box 20 of Schedule K-1 (Form 1065)	(j) General or managing partner?		(k) Percentage ownership
				Yes	No			Yes	No		Yes	No	
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DEAR SIR OR MADAM:

ENCLOSED YOU WILL FIND THE ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT FOR THE ABOVE NAMED CORPORATION.

FEES IN THIS CONNECTION HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AND CREDITED.

SINCERELY,

Jesse White

JESSE WHITE
SECRETARY OF STATE
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CORPORATION DIVISION
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1. Corporate Name (See Note 1 on back.): The Alain Locke Initiative

2. Manner of Adoption of Amendment:

The following amendment to the Articles of Incorporation was adopted on March 26, 2013 in the man-
ner indicated below (check one only):
Month, Day & Year

- By affirmative vote of a majority of the directors in office, at a meeting of the board of directors, in accordance with Section 110.15. (See Note 2 on back.)
- By written consent, signed by all the directors in office, in compliance with Sections 110.15 and 108.45. (See Note 3 on back.)
- By members at a meeting of members entitled to vote by the affirmative vote of the members having not less than the minimum number of votes necessary to adopt such amendment, as provided by this Act, the Articles of Incorporation or the bylaws, in accordance with Section 110.20. (See Note 4 on back.)
- By written consent signed by members entitled to vote having not less than the minimum number of votes necessary to adopt such amendment, as provided by this Act, the Articles of Incorporation, or the bylaws, in compliance with Sections 107.10 and 110.20. (See Note 5 on back.)

3. Text of Amendment:

(a.) When an amendment effects a name change, insert the new corporate name below. Use 3(b.) below for all other amendments. *Article 1: The Name of the Corporation is:

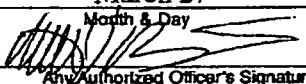
Accelerate Institute
New Name

(b.) All amendments other than name change.

If the amendment affects the corporate purpose, the amended purpose is required to be set forth in its entirety. If there is not sufficient space to add the full text of the amendment, attach additional sheets of this size.

4. The undersigned Corporation has caused these Articles to be signed by a duly authorized officer who affirms, under penalties of perjury, that the facts stated herein are true and correct.

All signatures must be in BLACK INK.

Dated March 27, 2013, The Alain Locke Initiative
Month & Day Year Exact Name of Corporation

Authorized Officer's Signature
Robert J. Birdsell, President and CEO
Name and Title (type or print)

5. If there are no duly authorized officers, the persons designated under Section 101.10(b)(2) must sign below and print name and title.

The undersigned affirms, under penalties of perjury, that the facts stated herein are true.

Dated _____, _____, _____
Month & Day Year

_____ Signature	_____ Name and Title (print)
_____ Signature	_____ Name and Title (print)
_____ Signature	_____ Name and Title (print)
_____ Signature	_____ Name and Title (print)

NOTES

- State the true and exact corporate name as it appears on the records of the Secretary of State BEFORE any amendment herein is reported.
- Directors may adopt amendments without member approval only when the corporation has no members, or no members entitled to vote pursuant to §110.15.
- Director approval may be:
 - by vote at a director's meeting (either annual or special), or
 - by consent, in writing, without a meeting.
- All amendments not adopted under Sec. 110.15 require that:
 - the board of directors adopt a resolution setting forth the proposed amendment, and
 - the members approve the amendment.

Member approval may be:

- by vote at a members meeting (either annual or special), or
- by consent, in writing, without a meeting.

To be adopted, the amendment must receive the affirmative vote or consent of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding members entitled to vote on the amendment (but if class voting applies, also at least a two-thirds vote within each class is required).

The Articles of Incorporation may supersede the two-thirds vote requirement by specifying any smaller or larger vote requirement not less than a majority of the outstanding votes of such members entitled to vote, and not less than a majority within each class when class voting applies. (Sec. 110.20)

- When member approval is by written consent, all members must be given notice of the proposed amendment at least five days before the consent is signed. If the amendment is adopted, members who have not signed the consent must be promptly notified of the passage of the amendment. (Sec. 107.10 & 110.20)

Application for Extension of Time To File an Exempt Organization Return

(Rev. January 2013)

OMB No 1545-1709

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

► **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 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 File by the due date for filing your return See instructions	Name of exempt organization or other filer, see instructions. ACCELERATE INSTITUTE	Employer identification number (EIN) or 36-3764476
	Number, street, and room or suite no. If a P.O. box, see instructions 150 N MICHIGAN AVENUE, 2100	Social security number (SSN)
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code. For a foreign address, see instructions. CHICAGO, IL 60601-7559	

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

Application Is For	Return Code	Application Is For	Return Code
Form 990 or Form 990-EZ	01	Form 990-T (corporation)	07
Form 990-BL	02	Form 1041-A	08
Form 4720 (individual)	03	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

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Telephone No. ► (312)893-6600 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 February 15, 20 14, to file the exempt organization return for the organization named above. The extension is for the organization's return for:

► calendar year 20 or

► tax year beginning July 01, 20 12, and ending June 30, 20 13.

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	\$

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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