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Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

2012

Open to Public
InspectionUnder 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.

A For the 2012 calendar year, or tax year beginning		07/01	, 2012, and ending	06/30	, 2013
B Check if applicable		C Name of organization		D Employer identification number	
<input type="checkbox"/> Address change		SYNAPSE SCHOOL		46-0631841	
<input type="checkbox"/> Name change		Doing Business As			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Initial return		Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address)		E Telephone number	
<input type="checkbox"/> Terminated		PO BOX 1985		650-294-4570	
<input type="checkbox"/> Amended return		City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application pending		FREEDOM, CA 95019-1985		G Gross receipts \$ 2,366,304	
I Tax-exempt status		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) () ► (insert no) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
J Website:		► www.synapseschool.org		H(b) Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions)	
K Form of organization		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ►		L Year of formation 2012 M State of legal domicile CA	

Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: Provide a comprehensive and balanced academic education for children grades K-8 based on the belief that children achieve at the highest academic level when they feel safe, valued, and cared about in an educational atmosphere that encourages the development of optimism and empathy for each other.		
	2 Check this box ► <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
Revenue	3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	3	11
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	4	9
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2012 (Part V, line 2a)	5	-0-
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	6	15
	7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	7a	-0-
	b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34	7b	-0-
		Prior Year	
Expenses	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	0	217,873
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	0	2,148,420
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	0	11
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5-6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	0	0
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	0	2,366,304
Net Assets or Fund Balances	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	0	0
	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)	0	1,364,662
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) ► 0	0	
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	0	1,009,331
	18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	0	2,373,993
	19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	0	(7,689)
	Beginning of Current Year		End of Year
20 Total assets (Part X, line 16)	0		1,743,062
	0		1,788,500
	0		(45,438)

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		Date 2/17/2014
	Signature of officer	02/17/2014
	Type or print name and title ANABEL JENSEN, Ph.D., CHAIR	

Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name E Josh Wagner, R.T.R.P.	Preparer's signature 	Date 02/15/2014	Check <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN P00178181
	Firm's name ► PlanRight		Firm's EIN ► 77-0240123		
	Firm's address ► 413 Western Drive #15, Santa Cruz, CA 95060-3078		Phone no 831-423-2323		

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions)

 Yes No

Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:

Provide a comprehensive and balanced academic education for children grades K-8 based on the belief that children achieve at the highest academic level when they feel safe, valued, and cared about in an educational atmosphere that encourages the development of optimism and empathy for each other.

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: n/a) (Expenses \$ 2,272,552 including grants of \$ -0-) (Revenue \$ 2,148,420)

Provided an advanced, comprehensive academic education to 112 children, grades K-8, which was fully integrated with social emotional learning. Synapse School is carefully designed as a model school to demonstrate the power of blending emotional intelligence programs with leading-edge instruction (brain-based, project driven, constructivist learning in school-wide themes). Its mission is to create learners who are resilient and resourceful as well as compassionate and curious. Its goal is to educate gifted learners, developing the changemakers of tomorrow.

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

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

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

4e Total program service expenses ► 2,272,552

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		✓
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		✓
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	6 ✓	
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	7 ✓	
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	8 ✓	
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	9 ✓	
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	10 ✓	
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	✓	
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	✓	
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	✓	
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25		
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part 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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II		
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III		
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	✓	
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	✓	
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV		
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M		
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	✓	
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	✓	
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	✓	
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	✓	
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1		
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)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2		
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? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI		
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 ComplianceCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V

	Yes	No
1a Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	-0-
b Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	-0-
c Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	✓
2a Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	-0-
b If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? <i>Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)</i>		
3a Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	✓
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? <i>If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O</i>	3b	
4a 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)?	4a	✓
b If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ► See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
5a Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	✓
b Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b	✓
c If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c	
6a Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible as charitable contributions?	6a	✓
b If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	
7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).	7a	✓
a Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7b	
b If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7c	✓
c Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7d	
d If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7e	✓
e Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7f	✓
f Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7g	
g If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7h	
h If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	8	
8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	9a	
9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.	9b	
10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:		
a Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
b Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter		
a Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
b Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b	
12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	
13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.	13a	
a Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state?		
<i>Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.</i>		
b Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13b	
c Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c	
14a Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	✓
b If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? <i>If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O</i>	14b	

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

1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year. **1a** **11**

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.

b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent **1b** **9**

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? **2** **✓**

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? **3** **✓**

4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? **4** **✓**

5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? **5** **✓**

6 Did the organization have members or stockholders? **6** **✓**

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? **7a** **✓**

b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body? **7b** **✓**

8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following: **8a** **✓**

a The governing body? **8b** **✓**

b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? **9** **✓**

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.

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

10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? **10a** **✓**

b 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? **10b**

11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? **11a** **✓**

b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990. **12a** **✓**

12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13 **12b** **✓**

b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? **12c** **✓**

c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done **13** **✓**

13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? **14** **✓**

14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? **15** **✓**

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? **16a** **✓**

a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official **15b** **✓**

b Other officers or key employees of the organization **16a** **✓**

If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions). **16b**

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? **16b**

b 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 ► **None**

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: ► **Joshua Freedman, 700 Meadowridge Road, Corralitos, CA 95076-0357; phone 650-888-7429**

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
		Or director	Individual trustee	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee			
(1) Anabel Jensen, Ph.D.	20								
Chair	42	✓		✓			-0-	69,167	1,383
(2) George McCown	5								
Treasurer	2	✓		✓			-0-	-0-	-0-
(3) Joshua Freedman	5								
Secretary	42	✓		✓			-0-	84,167	16,666
(4) Karen McCown	20								
Board Member	5	✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(5) Peter Chane	3						-0-	-0-	-0-
Board Member		✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(6) Susan Charles	3						-0-	-0-	-0-
Board Member		✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(7) Jeff Jonker	3								
Board Member		✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(8) Ann McCormick	3						-0-	-0-	-0-
Board Member		✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(9) Steve Newman	3								
Board Member		✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(10) Peckie Peters	3								
Board Member		✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(11) Joanne Rossi	3								
Board Member		✓					-0-	-0-	-0-
(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	
		Or director or trustee	Individual trustee	Institutional trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former		
(15)										
(16)										
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(25)										
1b Sub-total								► -0-	153,334	18,049
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								► -0-	-0-	-0-
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								► -0-	153,334	18,049
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 ► None										
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual								3	✓	
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual								4	✓	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person								5	✓	

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. 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
None		
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 ► None		

Part VIII Statement of RevenueCheck 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				
	d Related organizations . . .	1d				
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	217,873			
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$					
h Total. Add lines 1a-1f		217,873				
Program Service Revenue	2a Tuition and other school fees	Business Code 611110	2,148,420	2,148,420		
	b					
	c					
	d					
	e					
	f All other program service revenue .					
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		2,148,420			
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) . . .		11		11	
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds					
	5 Royalties . . .					
	6a Gross rents . . .	(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
	b Less rental expenses					
	c Rental income or (loss)					
	d Net rental income or (loss) . . .					
	7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities	(ii) Other			
	b Less. cost or other basis and sales expenses					
	c Gain or (loss) . . .					
	d Net gain or (loss) . . .					
	8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a				
b Less: direct expenses . . .	b					
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events .						
9a Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a					
b Less. direct expenses . . .	b					
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . .						
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . .	a					
b Less: cost of goods sold . . .	b					
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . .						
Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
11a						
b						
c						
d All other revenue . . .						
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d						
12 Total revenue. See instructions.		2,366,304	2,148,420	0	11	

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				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States. See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees				
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	1,232,795	1,232,795		
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)				
9 Other employee benefits	61,055	61,055		
10 Payroll taxes	70,812	70,812		
11 Fees for services (non-employees):				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting				
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O)	318,452	231,848	86,604	
12 Advertising and promotion	11,271	11,271		
13 Office expenses	141,811	141,577	234	
14 Information technology	8,180	8,180		
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	411,405	405,030	6,375	
17 Travel	31,892	31,892		
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings				
20 Interest	413		413	
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization				
23 Insurance	7,815		7,815	
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 Teacher training, program supervision,				
b Curriculum development, assessments	50,000	50,000		
c Furniture	16,978	16,978		
d Hospitality	11,114	11,114		
e All other expenses				
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e	2,373,993	2,272,552	101,441	0
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)				

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

		(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	0	1,645,585
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	2	97,477
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	4	
	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	
	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	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net	7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use	8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges	9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D	10a	
	b Less: accumulated depreciation	10b	10c
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		11
	12 Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11		12
	13 Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11		13
	14 Intangible assets		14
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11		15
	16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	0	16 1,743,062
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	0	17 0
	18 Grants payable		18
	19 Deferred revenue		19 1,788,500
	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
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		23
	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		25
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	0	26 1,788,500
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.		
	27 Unrestricted net assets		27
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ► <input checked="" 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	0	32 (45,438)
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	0	33 (45,438)
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	0	34 1,743,062

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck 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	2,366,304
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	2,373,993
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	(7,689)
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	
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	(37,749)
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	(45,438)

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> 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: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	2a	✓
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: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	2b	✓
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.	2c	
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?	3a	✓
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	3b	

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

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.

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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 $\frac{1}{3}$ % 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 $\frac{1}{3}$ % 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?
 - 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 monetary support
				Yes	No	Yes	No
(A)							
(B)							
(C)							
(D)							
(E)							
Total							

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.") . . .						
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 . . .						
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) . . .						
6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						

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 . . .						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources . . .						
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.) . . .						
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						
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 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	%
15 Public support percentage from 2011 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 . . .	15	%
16a 33$\frac{1}{3}$% support test—2012. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % or more, check this box and stop here . The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization . . . ► <input type="checkbox"/>		
b 33$\frac{1}{3}$% support test—2011. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 $\frac{1}{3}$ % 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) ►**

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.)

	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
1						
2						
3						
4						
5						
6						
7a						
b						
c						
8						

Section B. Total Support**Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ►**

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** ►

	(a) 2008	(b) 2009	(c) 2010	(d) 2011	(e) 2012	(f) Total
9						
10a						
b						
c						
11						
12						
13						
14						

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 ►

SCHEDULE E
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Name of the organization

Schools

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 13, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 48.
► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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Part I

- 1 Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body?
- 2 Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?
- 3 Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If "Yes," please describe. If "No," please explain. If you need more space, use Part II

We have no printed brochures or applications, since application for attendance is made online.

Our Web site admissions page states our non-discriminatory policy, at the following URL:

www.synapseschool.org/admissions-overview.html

Additionally, we published in a timely fashion in a newspaper of general circulation our non-discriminatory policy, in compliance with Rev. Proc. 75-50.

- 4 Does the organization maintain the following?
 - a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff?
 - b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis?
 - c Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?
 - d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions?

If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain. If you need more space, use Part II.

	YES	NO
1	✓	
2	✓	
3	✓	
4a	✓	
4b	✓	
4c	✓	
4d	✓	
5a	✓	
5b	✓	
5c	✓	
5d	✓	
5e	✓	
5f	✓	
5g	✓	
5h	✓	
6a	✓	
6b	✓	
7	✓	

- 5 Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:
 - a Students' rights or privileges?
 - b Admissions policies?
 - c Employment of faculty or administrative staff?
 - d Scholarships or other financial assistance?
 - e Educational policies?
 - f Use of facilities?
 - g Athletic programs?
 - h Other extracurricular activities?

If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. If you need more space, use Part II.

- 6a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency?
- 6b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended?

If you answered "Yes" to either line 6a or line 6b, explain on Part II.

- 7 Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4.01 through 4.05 of Rev. Proc. 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," explain on Part II

SCHEDULE L
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Transactions With Interested Persons

► Complete if the organization answered
"Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c,
or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or 40b.
► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ► See separate instructions.

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Part I Excess Benefit Transactions (section 501(c)(3) and section 501(c)(4) organizations only).

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b.

1	(a) Name of disqualified person	(b) Relationship between disqualified person and organization	(c) Description of transaction	(d) Corrected?	
				Yes	No
(1)	N/A				
(2)					
(3)					
(4)					
(5)					
(6)					
2	Enter the amount of tax incurred by the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958			► \$	
3	Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization			► \$	

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a or Form 990, Part IV, line 26; or if the organization reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 5, 6, or 22.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship with organization	(c) Purpose of loan	(d) Loan to or from the organization?	(e) Original principal amount	(f) Balance due	(g) In default?		(h) Approved by board or committee?		(i) Written agreement?	
						To	From	Yes	No	Yes	No
(1)	N/A										
(2)											
(3)											
(4)											
(5)											
(6)											
(7)											
(8)											
(9)											
(10)											
Total					► \$						

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefiting Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of assistance	(d) Type of assistance	(e) Purpose of assistance
(1)	N/A			
(2)				
(3)				
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Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

(a) Name of interested person	(b) Relationship between interested person and the organization	(c) Amount of transaction	(d) Description of transaction	(e) Sharing of organization's revenues?	
				Yes	No
(1) Six Seconds	Parent/subsidiary	50,000	See Part V below		✓
(2) Six Seconds	Parent/subsidiary	1,364,662	See Part V below		✓
(3) Six Seconds	Parent/subsidiary	318,452	See Part V below		✓
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Part V Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule L (see instructions).

(1) Six Seconds is a 501(c)(3) exempt educational organization and is the parent of Synapse School. Six Seconds provided

the following services to Synapse School in support of Synapse's school programs: training of teachers, program

supervision, curriculum development, and comprehensive assessments for students, teachers, and parents.

(2) All Synapse employees were technically employed by Six Seconds, which was reimbursed dollar-for-dollar by Synapse

for salaries and wages, employee benefits and payroll taxes.

(3) All independent contractors who rendered services to Synapse were actually paid by Six Seconds, which was reimbursed

dollar-for-dollar by Synapse.

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.

Name of the organization

SYNAPSE SCHOOL

Employer identification number

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Form 990, Part VI, Section A, Line 2 - Family Relationships

Treasurer George McCown is married to Board member Karen McCown.

Part VI, Section B, Line 11b - Board Review of Form 990

Form 990 was emailed to all Board members for their review prior to being submitted to the Internal Revenue Service.

Part VI, Section B, Line 12c - Monitoring Compliance with Conflict of Interest Policy

Potential conflicts of interest are reviewed at our annual Board meeting.

Part VI, Section B, Line 15a & 15b - Determining Compensation of CEO, Officers, Key Employees, etc.

Our CEO, Board members and officers receive no compensation. We have no key employees.

Part VI, Section C, Line 19 - How Certain Documents are Made Available to the Public

The organization's governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements are available to the public upon request.

Part IX, Statement of Functional Expenses, Line 11g - Fees for Services

The following professional fees were paid to independent contractors:

Board Search \$44,010

Consulting \$14,551

Contract Labor \$70,222

Facilities Maintenance \$42,594

Nature Program \$67,930

Special Programs \$1,535

Teachers' fees \$77,610

TOTAL \$318,452

Name of the organization

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Form 990, Part XI, Reconciliation of Net Asset, Line 9 - Other Changes in Net Assets

Synapse's activities were being carried out by its parent organization, Six Seconds, until July 1, 2012, at which point Synapse began operating the school. The separation of the finances of the two entities resulted in an opening balance equity of (\$37,749), which required the adjustment of the same amount on Line 9 of Part XI.

Part V, Line 1a and 2a - Independent Contractors and Employees

We reported -0- independent contractors on Line 1a of Part V, even though we reported substantial payments to independent contractors on Part IX, Line 11g. The amount reported on Part IX, Line 11g, was paid to our parent corporation, Six Seconds, which issued Forms 1099-MISC, as required, to independent contractors. Thus we reported -0- independent contractors.

Additionally, we reported -0- employees on Line 2a of Part V, even though we reported amounts for salaries and wages, employee benefits, and payroll taxes on Part IX, Lines 7, 9 and 10. All amounts reported on Part IX, Lines 7, 9 and 10, were paid to our parent corporation, Six Seconds, which served as the legal employer of all of our employees. Thus we reported -0- employees.

SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Name of the organization

SYNAPSE SCHOOL

OMB No 1545-0047

2012

**Open to Public
Inspection**

Employer identification number

46-0631841

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

► 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.

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) N/A						
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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) Six Seconds :: EIN 94-3274972 PO Box 1985, Freedom, CA 95019-1985	Education	California	501(c)(3)	509(a)(2)	n/a		✓
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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)	(k) Percentage ownership	
									Yes	No
(1) N/A										
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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)(3) controlled entity?	
								Yes	No
(1) N/A									
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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.

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 If the answer to any of the above is "Yes," see the instructions for information on who must complete this line, including covered relationships and transaction thresholds.

	(a) Name of other organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) N/A				
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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	
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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 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. SYNAPSE SCHOOL	Employer identification number (EIN) or 46-0631841
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 PO BOX 1985	Social security number (SSN)
	City, town or post office, state, and ZIP code For a foreign address, see instructions FREEDOM, CA 95019-1985	

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 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. ► **650-294-4570**

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 1**, 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