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Form **990**Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)

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OMB No 1545-0047

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A For the 2014 calendar year, or tax year beginning 1/1/2015, and ending 7/31/2015	
B Check if applicable: ☐ Address change ☐ Name change ☐ Initial return ☐ Final return/terminated ☐ Amended return ☐ Application pending	C Name of organization THE ABILENE EDUCATION FOUNDATION
	Doing business as
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
	P. O. BOX 1999
	City or town State ZIP code
	ABILENE TX 79604-1999
	D Employer identification number 31-1741496
	E Telephone number 325-677-8589
	G Gross receipts \$ 272,273
F Name and address of principal officer: Angie Wylie P.O. Box 1999, Abilene, TX 79604-1999	
H(a) Is this a group return for subordinates? ☐ Yes ☒ No	
H(b) Are all subordinates 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.abileneeducationfoundation.org	
K Form of organization ☒ Corporation ☐ Trust ☐ Association ☐ Other ▶	
L Year of formation 2000	
M State of legal domicile TX	

Part I Summary	
Activities & Governance	1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities TO PROMOTE AND ENHANCE EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION FOR THE STUDENTS OF THE ABILENE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (AISD) THROUGH ENRICHMENT OF ITS PROGRAMS.
	2 Check this box ☐ 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 18
	4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) 4 18
	5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2014 (Part V, line 2a) 5 4
	6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) 6 223
	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	
Revenue	8 Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) 348,361 216,923
	9 Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g) 0 0
	10 Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d) 42,388 19,777
	11 Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e) -3,396 -4,019
	12 Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) 387,353 232,681
	13 Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3) 353,146 184,950
Expenses	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) 106,771 57,222
	16a Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e) 0 0
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) 13,055
	17 Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e) 134,829 107,398
	18 Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) 594,746 349,570
Net Assets or Fund Balances	19 Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12 -207,393 -116,889
	20 Total assets (Part X, line 16) 1,429,661 1,312,643
	21 Total liabilities (Part X, line 26) 10,754 10,625
	22 Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20 1,418,907 1,302,018

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 E.B. DOTSON III, CPA Date 11/13/15
	Type or print name and title TREASURER
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name LINDA F SISSEL, CPA Preparer's signature Linda F Sissel, CPA Date 11/13/15 Check ☒ if self-employed PTIN P00719597
	Firm's name ▶ LINDA F SISSEL, CPA Firm's EIN ▶ 45-4477088
	Firm's address ▶ 425 CYPRESS STREET; ABILENE, TX 79601-5101 Phone no (325) 677-6362

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) ☒ Yes ☐ No

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Form **990** (2014)

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Part III Statement of Program Service AccomplishmentsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III ☒

1	Briefly describe the organization's mission TO PROMOTE AND ENHANCE EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION FOR THE STUDENTS OF THE ABILENE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (AISD) THROUGH ENRICHMENT OF ITS PROGRAMS.
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 \$ 165,422 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$) AEF COOL Program (College Opportunities for Life) - The Abilene COOL Program began in 2007 and provides four counselors (added two counselors in July 2012), two on each AISD high school campus, to identify students that need assistance regarding the college application process. In addition to assisting students in the completion of college applications, the COOL program organizes field trips to college campuses and helps students to find scholarships and funds for college. During January through July 2015, the program received contributions of \$1,823 and incurred expenses of \$165,422. In 2014, the program received contributions of \$14,671 and incurred expenses of \$278,124.
4b	(Code) (Expenses \$ 453 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$) AEF Teacher Grants (STAR & GIFT) - The AEF raises money each year to honor outstanding AISD teachers with classroom and instruction grants. These STAR (Supporting Teachers with Academic Resources) grants are provided to teachers after submission of grant request to fund school educational projects. Awards are provided to teachers during September to fund the educational projects of the school year. The Judy Dudley GIFT (Giving to First-time Teachers) grants are awarded to AISD employees who are teaching for the first time. Grant funds are for additional classroom materials to enhance those provided by the school district. 3 GIFT grants were awarded between January and July 2015 for a total of \$300.
4c	(Code) (Expenses \$ 13,518 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$) AEF Young Masters Program - The AEF Young Masters Juried Art Exhibition for Advanced Placement Art students celebrates young master artists and their dedicated teachers for demonstrating excellence in artistic education with a quality museum art exhibition. The Young Masters exhibition extends the supporting role of the AEF with AISD, and will impact the future of not only the students selected for the show, but all advanced placement art students by inspiring them to reach their full potential. Additionally, it provides students acclamation that may further enhance opportunities for acceptance into higher education art programs. A-P studio art students and art history students at both high schools participated in the 2015 exhibit being judged by an artist from Ft Worth, TX, resulting in 4 scholarships being awarded for a total of \$2,750.
4d	Other program services. (Describe in Schedule O) (Expenses \$ 104,678 including grants of \$ 0) (Revenue \$ 0)
4e	Total program service expenses 284,071

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 X	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?	2 X	
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	X
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	X
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	X
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	X
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	X
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III	8	X
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	X
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 X	
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 X	
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	X
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	X
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 X	
e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X	11e X	
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	X
12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII	12a X	
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	X
13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	13	X
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	X
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	X
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for any foreign organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV	15	X
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or other assistance to or for foreign individuals? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV	16	X
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	X
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 X	
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	X
20a Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? If "Yes," complete Schedule H	20a	X
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 or other assistance to any domestic organization or domestic government on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21 X	
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants or other assistance to or for domestic individuals on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22 X	
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	23	X
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 25a	24a	X
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b	X
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?	24c	X
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d	X
25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25a	X
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	25b	X
26 Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5, 6, or 22 for receivables from or payables to any current or former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, or disqualified persons? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	26	X
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	27	X
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	28a	X
b A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28b	X
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	28c	X
29 Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	29	X
30 Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	30	X
31 Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	31	X
32 Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	32	X
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	33	X
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	34	X
35a Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a	X
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	35b	
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	36	X
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	37	X
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	38 X	

Part V**Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance**Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V. ☐

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable.	0	
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.	0	
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	X	
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.	0	
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions).	X	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation in Schedule O.		
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)?		X
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country. See instructions for filing requirements for FinCen Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		X
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		X
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		
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?		X
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).		
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?	X	
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	X	
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		X
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year.	7d	
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		X
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		X
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds. Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.		
a	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
b	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
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.		
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a	
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	X
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O.	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 or note to any line in this Part VI. ☒ X

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	1a 18		
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 18		
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		X
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		X
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4		X
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5		X
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6		X
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		X
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		X
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following			
a The governing body?	8a	X	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	X	
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.	9		X

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?	10a	X
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 N/A	
11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	X
b 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	12a X	
b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b X	
c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c X	
13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13 X	
14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14 X	
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?		
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a X	
b Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b X	
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?	16a	X
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?	16b	

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, address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the organization's books and records: **▶**

E. B. DOTSON III, CPA 325-677-8589

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

 Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line 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) ANGIE WILEY PRESIDENT	4.00 0.00	X		X						
(2) JASON DARBY VICE PRESIDENT	2.00 0.00	X		X						
(3) MIKE YOUNG SECRETARY	1.00 0.00	X		X						
(4) E B DOTSON, III TREASURER	5.00 0.00	X		X						
(5) MIKE BRECKENRIDGE BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0.00	X								
(6) TERRY BULL BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0.00	X								
(7) KEVIN CAMPBELL BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0.00	X								
(8) LISA CHAVEZ-OWENS BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0.00	X								
(9) MIKE DUNNAHOO BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0.00	X								
(10) SAMANTHA GOODMAN BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0.00	X								
(11) JAY HARDAWAY BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0.00	X								
(12) JENNIFER HARPER BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0.00	X								
(13) KAY HARTGRAVES BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0.00	X								
(14) TIFFANY LAMB BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0.00	X								

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) LAUREN LONG BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0 00	X								
(16) CANDY SCARBOROUGH BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0 00	X								
(17) LYNDA SHARP BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0 00	X								
(18) JUDY VOELTER BOARD MEMBER	1.00 0 00	X								
(19)										
(20)										
(21)										
(22)										
(23)										
(24)										
(25)										
1b Sub-total								0	0	0
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A								0	0	0
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)								0	0	0

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 **0**

- 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
- 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
- 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

	Yes	No
3		X
4		X
5		X

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
		0
		0
		0
		0
		0
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 RevenueCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII. ☐

				(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512-514
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	1a	Federated campaigns	1a	0			
	b	Membership dues	1b	0			
	c	Fundraising events	1c	0			
	d	Related organizations	1d	0			
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e	0			
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	216,923			
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f: \$		0			
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f		216,923			
Program Service Revenue			Business Code				
	2a	-----		0			
	b	-----		0			
	c	-----		0			
	d	-----		0			
	e	-----		0			
	f	All other program service revenue		0			
	g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f		0			
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts)		19,777	19,777		
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0			
	5	Royalties		0			
			(i) Real	(ii) Personal			
	6a	Gross rents					
	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	0	0			
	c	Gain or (loss)	0	0			
	d	Net gain or (loss)		0			
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ 63,028 of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18	a	35,573			
	b	Less: direct expenses	b	39,592			
	c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		-4,019			
	9a	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19	a	0			
	b	Less: direct expenses	b	0			
	c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		0			
	10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances	a	0			
	b	Less: cost of goods sold	b	0			
c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		0				
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a	-----		0				
b	-----		0				
c	-----		0				
d	All other revenue		0				
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d		0				
12	Total revenue. See instructions.		232,681	19,777	0	0	

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 or note to any line 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 domestic organizations domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21.	113,800	113,800		
2	Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22.	71,150	71,150		
3	Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. 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.	26,526	11,142	13,792	1,592
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.	26,630	13,785	10,876	1,969
8	Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions).	0			
9	Other employee benefits.	0			
10	Payroll taxes.	4,066	1,907	1,887	272
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management.	0			
b	Legal.	0			
c	Accounting.	15,167		15,167	
d	Lobbying.	0			
e	Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17.	0			
f	Investment management fees.	2,193		2,193	
g	Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 11g expenses on Schedule O.)	0			
12	Advertising and promotion.	36,510	29,099		7,411
13	Office expenses.	8,342	5,040	1,982	1,320
14	Information technology.	4,066	4,066		
15	Royalties.	0			
16	Occupancy.	8,315	5,068	3,247	
17	Travel.	4,719	4,719		
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials.	0			
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings.	4,908	4,345	563	
20	Interest.	0			
21	Payments to affiliates.	0			
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization.	1,155	0	1,155	0
23	Insurance.	837		837	
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	Program and Event Supplies	18,487	18,487		
b	Dues, Memberships and Subscriptions	186	163	23	
c	Honorariums	1,022	300	722	
d	Fees Bank & Credit Card	491			491
e	All other expenses Pass-Thru Program Supplies	1,000	1,000		
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24e.	349,570	284,071	52,444	13,055
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 ☐ if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720).				

Part X Balance SheetCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X. ☐

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	72,214	1	209,084
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments	385,302	2	434,902
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net	464,929	3	154,976
	4 Accounts receivable, net	0	4	0
	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	0	7	0
	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 34,811		
	b Less accumulated depreciation	10b 31,374	4,592	10c 3,437
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities	0	11	0
	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	0	14	0
	15 Other assets. See Part IV, line 11	502,624	15	510,244
16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	1,429,661	16	1,312,643	
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses		17	
	18 Grants payable		18	
	19 Deferred revenue		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	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties	0	23	0
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties	0	24	0
	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	10,754	25	10,625
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	10,754	26	10,625
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☒ and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	65,747	27	77,037
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets	924,500	28	792,821
	29 Permanently restricted net assets	428,660	29	432,160
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117 (ASC 958), check here ☐ 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	1,418,907	33	1,302,018
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	1,429,661	34	1,312,643

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI. ☐

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	232,681
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	349,570
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-116,889
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	1,418,907
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	
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	10	1,302,018

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII. ☐

	Yes	No
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	X	
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	X	
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.	X	
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?		X
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	N/A	

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No 1545-0047

2015

**Open to Public
Inspection**

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

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.

▶ Information about Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

Name of the organization **THE ABILENE EDUCATION FOUNDATION** Employer identification number **31-1741496**

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 in lines 11a through 11d that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e, 11f, and 11g.
 - a ☐ **Type I.** A supporting organization operated, supervised, or controlled by its supported organization(s), typically by giving the supported organization(s) the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the directors or trustees of the supporting organization. You must complete Part IV, Sections A and B.
 - b ☐ **Type II.** A supporting organization supervised or controlled in connection with its supported organization(s), by having control or management of the supporting organization vested in the same persons that control or manage the supported organization(s). You must complete Part IV, Sections A and C.
 - c ☐ **Type III functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions). You must complete Part IV, Sections A, D, and E.
 - d ☐ **Type III non-functionally integrated.** A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated. The organization generally must satisfy a distribution requirement and an attentiveness requirement (see instructions). You must complete Part IV, Sections A and D, and Part V.
 - e ☐ Check this box if the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II, Type III functionally integrated, or Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organization.
 - f Enter the number of supported organizations 0
 - g 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 listed in your governing document?		(v) Amount of monetary support (see instructions)	(vi) Amount of other support (see instructions)
			Yes	No		
(A)						
(B)						
(C)						
(D)						
(E)						
Total					0	0

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Schedule A (Form 990 or 990-EZ) 2015

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)	SHORT YEAR					(f) Total
	(a) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) 2018	
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	287,267	131,511	675,885	348,361	216,923	1,659,947
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	287,267	131,511	675,885	348,361	216,923	1,659,947
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						1,659,947

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	SHORT YEAR					(f) Total
	(a) 2014	(b) 2015	(c) 2016	(d) 2017	(e) 2018	
7 Amounts from line 4	287,267	131,511	675,885	348,361	216,923	1,659,947
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	19,664	29,712	86,559	42,388	19,777	198,100
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 VI)	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10						1,858,047
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						☐

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public support percentage for 2014 (line 6, column (f) divided by line 11, column (f))	14	89.34%
15 Public support percentage from 2013 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	93.01%
16a 33 1/3% support test—2014. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	☒	
b 33 1/3% support test—2013. If the organization did not check a box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	☐	
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2014. 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 VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	☐	
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2013. 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 VI how the organization meets the "facts-and-circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization	☐	
18 Private foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions	☐	

Part III Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II.
If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	SHORT YEAR					(f) Total
	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						0
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						0
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						0
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						0
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						0
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5	0	0	0	0	0	0
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						0
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						0
c Add lines 7a and 7b	0	0	0	0	0	0
8 Public support (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						0

Section B. Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	SHORT YEAR					(f) Total
	(a) 2011	(b) 2012	(c) 2013	(d) 2014	(e) 2015	
9 Amounts from line 6	0	0	0	0	0	0
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						0
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						0
c Add lines 10a and 10b	0	0	0	0	0	0
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						0
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.)						0
13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)	0	0	0	0	0	0
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 2014 (line 8, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	15	0 00%
16 Public support percentage from 2013 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	0 00%

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment income percentage for 2014 (line 10c, column (f) divided by line 13, column (f))	17	0 00%
18 Investment income percentage from 2013 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	0 00%

- 19a **33 1/3% support tests—2014.** 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—2013.** 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 Supporting Organizations

(Complete only if you checked a box on line 11 of Part I. If you checked 11a of Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked 11b of Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked 11c of Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked 11d of Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

Section A. All Supporting Organizations

	Yes	No
1 Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? If "No," describe in Part VI how the supported organizations are designated. If designated by class or purpose, describe the designation. If historic and continuing relationship, explain.		
2 Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2)		
3a Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below		
b Did the organization confirm that each supported organization qualified under section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) and satisfied the public support tests under section 509(a)(2)? If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination		
c Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use		
4a Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? If "Yes" and if you checked 11a or 11b in Part I, answer (b) and (c) below		
b Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? If "Yes," describe in Part VI how the organization had such control and discretion despite being controlled or supervised by or in connection with its supported organizations.		
c Did the organization support any foreign supported organization that does not have an IRS determination under sections 501(c)(3) and 509(a)(1) or (2)? If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization used to ensure that all support to the foreign supported organization was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes.		
5a Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? If "Yes," answer (b) and (c) below (if applicable). Also, provide detail in Part VI , including (i) the names and EIN numbers of the supported organizations added, substituted, or removed, (ii) the reasons for each such action, (iii) the authority under the organization's organizing document authorizing such action, and (iv) how the action was accomplished (such as by amendment to the organizing document).		
b Type I or Type II only. Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
c Substitutions only. Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
6 Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (a) its supported organizations, (b) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (c) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
7 Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (defined in IRC 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35-percent controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990)		
8 Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described in line 7? If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990)		
9a Was the organization controlled directly or indirectly at any time during the tax year by one or more disqualified persons as defined in section 4946 (other than foundation managers and organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or (2))? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
b Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined in line 9(a)) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
c Did a disqualified person (as defined in line 9(a)) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI .		
10a Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of IRC 4943 because of IRC 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? If "Yes," answer (b) below		
b Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? (Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings)		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)**11** Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

- a** A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (b) and (c) below, the governing body of a supported organization?
- b** A family member of a person described in (a) above?
- c** A 35% controlled entity of a person described in (a) or (b) above? If "Yes" to a, b, or c, provide detail in **Part VI**.

	Yes	No
11a		
11b		
11c		

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

- 1** Did the directors, trustees, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's directors or trustees at all times during the tax year? If "No," describe in **Part VI** how the supported organization(s) effectively operated, supervised, or controlled the organization's activities. If the organization had more than one supported organization, describe how the powers to appoint and/or remove directors or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.
- 2** Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization? If "Yes," explain in **Part VI** how providing such benefit carried out the purposes of the supported organization(s) that operated, supervised, or controlled the supporting organization.

	Yes	No
1		
2		

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

- 1** Were a majority of the organization's directors or trustees during the tax year also a majority of the directors or trustees of each of the organization's supported organization(s)? If "No," describe in **Part VI** how control or management of the supporting organization was vested in the same persons that controlled or managed the supported organization(s).

	Yes	No
1		

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

- 1** Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (1) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (2) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (3) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?
- 2** Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected by the supported organization(s) or (ii) serving on the governing body of a supported organization? If "No," explain in **Part VI** how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).
- 3** By reason of the relationship described in (2), did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice in the organization's investment policies and in directing the use of the organization's income or assets at all times during the tax year? If "Yes," describe in **Part VI** the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.

	Yes	No
1		
2		
3		

Section E. Type III Functionally-Integrated Supporting Organizations

- 1** Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).
- a** ☐ The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete **line 2** below.
- b** ☐ The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete **line 3** below.
- c** ☐ The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in **Part VI** how you supported a government entity (see instructions).

2 Activities Test. Answer (a) and (b) below.

- a** Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes of the supported organization(s) to which the organization was responsive? If "Yes," then in **Part VI** identify those supported organizations and explain how these activities directly furthered their exempt purposes, how the organization was responsive to those supported organizations, and how the organization determined that these activities constituted substantially all of its activities.
- b** Did the activities described in (a) constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? If "Yes," explain in **Part VI** the reasons for the organization's position that its supported organization(s) would have engaged in these activities but for the organization's involvement.

	Yes	No
2a		
2b		

3 Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer (a) and (b) below.

- a** Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees of each of the supported organizations? Provide details in **Part VI**.
- b** Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? If "Yes," describe in **Part VI** the role played by the organization in this regard.

	Yes	No
3a		
3b		

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations

- 1 ☐ Check here if the organization satisfied the Integral Part Test as a qualifying trust on Nov. 20, 1970. See instructions. All other Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations must complete Sections A through E

Section A - Adjusted Net Income		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Net short-term capital gain	1		
2 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	2		
3 Other gross income (see instructions)	3		
4 Add lines 1 through 3	4	0	0
5 Depreciation and depletion	5		
6 Portion of operating expenses paid or incurred for production or collection of gross income or for management, conservation, or maintenance of property held for production of income (see instructions)	6		
7 Other expenses (see instructions)	7		
8 Adjusted Net Income (subtract lines 5, 6 and 7 from line 4)	8	0	0
Section B - Minimum Asset Amount		(A) Prior Year	(B) Current Year (optional)
1 Aggregate fair market value of all non-exempt-use assets (see instructions for short tax year or assets held for part of year)			
a Average monthly value of securities	1a		
b Average monthly cash balances	1b		
c Fair market value of other non-exempt-use assets	1c		
d Total (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	0	0
e Discount claimed for blockage or other factors (explain in detail in Part VI)			
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2		
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d	3	0	0
4 Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 1-1/2% of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions)	4	0	0
5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	0	0
6 Multiply line 5 by .035	6	0	0
7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	0	0
8 Minimum Asset Amount (add line 7 to line 6)	8	0	0
Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, Column A)	1		0
2 Enter 85% of line 1	2		0
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, Column A)	3		0
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3	4		0
5 Income tax imposed in prior year	5		
6 Distributable Amount. Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions)	6		0
7 ☐ Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally-integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions)			

Part V Type III Non-Functionally Integrated 509(a)(3) Supporting Organizations (continued)

Section D - Distributions		Current Year
1	Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required)	
6	Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	
7	Total annual distributions. Add lines 1 through 6.	0
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions	
9	Distributable amount for 2014 from Section C, line 6	0
10	Line 8 amount divided by Line 9 amount	0.000

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)		(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2014	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2014
1	Distributable amount for 2014 from Section C, line 6			0
2	Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2014 (reasonable cause required-see instructions)			
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2014			
a				
b				
c				
d				
e	From 2013			
f	Total of lines 3a through e	0		
g	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		0	
h	Applied to 2014 distributable amount			0
i	Carryover from 2009 not applied (see instructions)			
j	Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from 3f	0		
4	Distributions for 2014 from Section D, line 7 \$ 0			
a	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		0	
b	Applied to 2014 distributable amount			0
c	Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from 4.	0		
5	Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2014, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions)		0	
6	Remaining underdistributions for 2014. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1 (if amount greater than zero, see instructions).			0
7	Excess distributions carryover to 2015. Add lines 3j and 4c.	0		
8	Breakdown of line 7			
a				
b				
c				
d	Excess from 2013	0		
e	Excess from 2014	0		

Part VI **Supplemental Information.** 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).

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**SCHEDULE D
(Form 990)**

Supplemental Financial Statements

▶ **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.**

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▶ **Information about Schedule D (Form 990) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.**

Name of the organization

Employer identification number

THE ABILENE EDUCATION FOUNDATION

31-1741496

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 value of contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate value of 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?		☐ Yes ☐ 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?		☐ Yes ☐ No

Part II Conservation Easements.

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

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)	
☐ Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or education)	☐ Preservation of a historically important land area
☐ Protection of natural habitat	☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure
☐ Preservation of open space	
2 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	
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
3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the tax year ▶	
4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶	
5 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
6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶	
7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$	
8 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
9 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.

1a 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.	
b 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) Revenue included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1	▶ \$
(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X	▶ \$
2 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 Revenue 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

d ☐ Loan or exchange programs

b ☐ Scholarly research

e ☐ Other

c ☐ Preservation for future generations

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.

c Beginning balance

d Additions during the year

e Distributions during the year

f Ending balance

	Amount
1c	0
1d	
1e	
1f	0

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, for escrow or custodial account liability?

☐ 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) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
1a Beginning of year balance	502,614	483,822	391,558	70,557	28,597
b Contributions	6,122	16,255	30,102	301,180	43,723
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses	19,444	21,717	67,769	23,414	-1,457
d Grants or scholarships	15,754	15,599	2,694	1,600	0
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs	2,192	3,581	2,913	1,993	306
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance	510,234	502,614	483,822	391,558	70,557

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as

a Board designated or quasi-endowment 8%

b Permanent endowment 76%

c Temporarily restricted endowment 16%

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

(i) unrelated organizations

(ii) related organizations

	Yes	No
3a(i)	X	
3a(ii)		X
3b		

b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 11a. 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	0		0
b Buildings	0	0	0	0
c Leasehold improvements	0	0	0	0
d Equipment	0	34,811	31,374	3,437
e Other	0	0	0	0

Total. Add lines 1a through 1e (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10c) 3,437

Part VII Investments—Other Securities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 11b. 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	0	
(2) Closely-held equity interests	0	
(3) Other		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12)	0	

Part VIII Investments—Program Related.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 11c. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1)		
(2)		
(3)		
(4)		
(5)		
(6)		
(7)		
(8)		
(9)		
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13)	0	

Part IX Other Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 11d. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) Deposit - Safe Deposit Box Key	10
(2) AEF Endowment Fund Held by CFA	510,234
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 15)	510,244

Part X Other Liabilities.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 11e or 11f. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

1. (a) Description of liability	(b) Book value
(1) Federal income taxes	0
(2) Payroll Liabilities	2,125
(3) 2014 Audit	8,000
(4) Sales Tax	0
(5) Cajun Fest / Art Walk Sponsorship	500
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
Total. (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)	10,625

2. Liability for uncertain tax positions. 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 XI**Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		1	272,273
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12			
a	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	2a		
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b		
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	39,592	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	39,592
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	232,681
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	0
5	Total revenue. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		5	232,681

Part XII**Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		1	389,162
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25			
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a		
b	Prior year adjustments	2b		
c	Other losses	2c		
d	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	2d	39,592	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d		2e	39,592
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1		3	349,570
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1			
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a		
b	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	4b		
c	Add lines 4a and 4b		4c	0
5	Total expenses. Add lines 3 and 4c. (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		5	349,570

Part XIII**Supplemental Information.**

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.

Part V Line 4 Endowment funds that are permanently restricted or board restricted are held

by the Community Foundation of Abilene for investment and remain there in order to

generate earnings for future scholarships.

Part XI Line 2d Fundraising event direct expense recorded on Form 990, Line 11 and

Schedule G, Part II, as required.

Part XII Line 2d Fundraising event direct expense recorded on Form 990, Line 11 and

Schedule G, Part II, as required.

Part XIII Supplemental Information (continued)

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SCHEDULE G
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information Regarding Fundraising or Gaming Activities

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, lines 17, 18, or 19, or if the organization entered more than \$15,000 on Form 990-EZ, line 6a.

▶ Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

▶ Information about Schedule G (Form 990 or 990-EZ) and its instructions is at www.irs.gov/form990.

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Name of the organization

THE ABILENE EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Employer identification number

31-1741496

Part I

Fundraising Activities. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 17.

Form 990-EZ filers are not required to complete this part.

1 Indicate whether the organization raised funds through any of the following activities. Check all that apply.

- a ☐ Mail solicitations
b ☐ Internet and email solicitations
c ☐ Phone solicitations
d ☐ In-person solicitations
e ☐ Solicitation of non-government grants
f ☐ Solicitation of government grants
g ☐ Special fundraising events

2a Did the organization have a written or oral agreement with any individual (including officers, directors, trustees or key employees listed in Form 990, Part VII) or entity in connection with professional fundraising services? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If "Yes," list the ten highest paid individuals or entities (fundraisers) pursuant to agreements under which the fundraiser is to be compensated at least \$5,000 by the organization.

(i) Name and address of individual or entity (fundraiser)	(ii) Activity	(iii) Did fundraiser have custody or control of contributions?		(iv) Gross receipts from activity	(v) Amount paid to (or retained by) fundraiser listed in col (i)	(vi) Amount paid to (or retained by) organization
		Yes	No			
1				0	0	0
2				0	0	0
3				0	0	0
4				0	0	0
5				0	0	0
6				0	0	0
7				0	0	0
8				0	0	0
9				0	0	0
10				0	0	0
Total				0	0	0

3 List all states in which the organization is registered or licensed to solicit contributions or has been notified it is exempt from registration or licensing

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 CRAWFISH BOIL (event type)	(b) Event #2 (event type)	(c) Other events NONE (total number)	(d) Total events (add col (a) through col (c))
Revenue	1	Gross receipts	98,601	0	98,601
	2	Less Contributions	63,028	0	63,028
	3	Gross income (line 1 minus line 2)	35,573	0	35,573
Direct Expenses	4	Cash prizes		0	0
	5	Noncash prizes		0	0
	6	Rent/facility costs	4,013	0	4,013
	7	Food and beverages	20,800	0	20,800
	8	Entertainment		0	0
	9	Other direct expenses	14,779	0	14,779
	10	Direct expense summary. Add lines 4 through 9 in column (d) ▶			(39,592)
	11	Net income summary. Subtract line 10 from line 3, column (d) ▶			-4,019

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))
Revenue	1	Gross revenue			0
	2	Cash prizes			0
Direct Expenses	3	Noncash prizes			0
	4	Rent/facility costs			0
	5	Other direct expenses			0
	6	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	☐ Yes _____ % ☐ No	
	7	Direct expense summary. Add lines 2 through 5 in column (d) ▶			(0)
	8	Net gaming income summary. Subtract line 7 from line 1, column (d) ▶			0

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

a Is the organization licensed to conduct 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 _____

- 11 Does the organization conduct gaming activities with nonmembers? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 12 Is the organization a grantor, beneficiary or trustee of a trust or a member of a partnership or other entity formed to administer charitable gaming? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- 13 Indicate the percentage of gaming activity conducted in
- | | | |
|-------------------------------|-----|---|
| a The organization's facility | 13a | % |
| b An outside facility | 13b | % |
- 14 Enter the name and address of the person who prepares the organization's gaming/special events books and records

Name ▶ _____

Address ▶ _____

- 15a Does the organization have a contract with a third party from whom the organization receives gaming revenue? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b If "Yes," enter the amount of gaming revenue received by the organization ▶ \$ _____ 0 and the amount of gaming revenue retained by the third party ▶ \$ _____ 0
- c If "Yes," enter name and address of the third party

Name ▶ _____

Address ▶ _____

16 Gaming manager information

Name ▶ _____

Gaming manager compensation ▶ \$ _____ 0

Description of services provided ▶ _____

☐ Director/officer☐ Employee☐ Independent contractor

17 Mandatory distributions

- a Is the organization required under state law to make charitable distributions from the gaming proceeds to retain the state gaming license? ☐ Yes ☐ No
- b Enter the amount of distributions required under state law to be distributed to other exempt organizations or spent in the organization's own exempt activities during the tax year ▶ \$ _____ 0

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the explanations required by Part I, line 2b, columns (iii) and (v), and Part III, lines 9, 9b, 10b, 15b, 15c, 16, and 17b, as applicable. Also provide any additional information (see instructions).

SCHEDULE I
(Form 990)

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.

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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 Domestic Organizations and Domestic Governments. 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) Abilene Indep. School District PO Box 981 Abilene, TX 79604			113,800				
(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. ▶

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

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Part III Grants and Other Assistance to Domestic Individuals. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 22. Part III can be duplicated if additional space is needed.

	(a) Type of grant or assistance	(b) Number of recipients	(c) Amount of cash grant	(d) Amount of non-cash assistance	(e) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f) Description of non-cash assistance
1	Scholarships	38	47,000			
2	GIFT New Teacher Grants	2	300			
3	Teachers in the Limestone Grants	47	17,850			
4	Art in the Classroom Grant	1	5,000			
5	Million-Word Readers Grant	1	500			
6	We Care Grant	1	500			
7						

Part IV Supplemental Information. Provide the information required in Part I, line 2, Part III, column (b), and any other additional information.

Part I Line 2 Grant and assistance in the United States that are granted to the Abilene Independent School District (AISD) are

monitored, by wage and benefits approval of the four on-campus college counselors, first by AISD and then reviewed and acceptance by

AEF. Comparative analysis is performed with similar schools whenever adjustments are recommended.

Part I Line 2 Grant and assistance in the United States that are granted to high school students via the numerous programs offered by

AEF is by committee selection, grant writing, review and approval, or judged art competition, it is monitored by writing checks

directly to the appropriate college of the awarded student. Campus counselors follow up on awarded students as to their status and

needs. AEF has a strong desire to keep students in college and monitors their status and progress through graduation.

Part I Line 2 Grant and assistance in the United States that are awarded to teachers are by grant writing and committee review and

selection based on needs and available funds. New teachers receiving the one time GIFT grant are identified and verified by school

officials as to their status, which qualifies them for the grant.

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

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

▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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Form 990, Part III, Line 4d Program Service Expenses. 4,000, Grants and allocations 0.

Revenue: 0 Alumni Scholarship Endowment Program - The program began in February 2008. The

monies raised for the program are used to fund an endowment where earnings are awarded to

seniors in AISD in the form of scholarships. The amount of the scholarships varies depending

on the donations and earnings from investments. These scholarship funds are generated by the

alumni of the two high schools in the district. Funds are held by the Community Foundation of

Abilene for investment and remain there as a permanent (asset) endowment for future

scholarships Alumni Scholarship Funds - Funds in the AEF

Scholarship Endowment Program are designated and split between the two high school; they

consist of permanently restricted donations and as well as board restricted funds. AEF

collects all donations, writes all acknowledgements, and administers all scholarships

following the guidelines established for past AER scholarships. Donated funds added to the

program will be shared equally by both unless restricted by the donor. Two \$2,000

scholarships were awarded in 2015.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4d Program Service Expenses. 24,250, Grants and allocations 0.

Revenue 0 AEF Donor Directed Scholarships are given by donors for specific scholarships for

students at both Abilene High School and Cooper High School. These scholarships vary in

criteria and amount as per the request of the donor. Twenty-four scholarships were awarded

between January and July 2015 for a total of \$24,250.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4d Program Service Expenses 14,000, Grants and allocations 0.

Revenue 0 Abilene Education Foundation also raised funds for AEF Scholarships for both

Abilene High School and Cooper High School on an annual basis. Between January and July 2015

AEF awarded seven scholarships to AISD high schools seniors for a total of \$14,000.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4d Program Service Expenses 53,068, Grants and allocations 0.

Revenue 0 AEF received donations from Edwin and Agnes Jennings to provide a Teaching

Excellence Awards Program The Teaching Excellence Awards consist of four awards -

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Outstanding Elementary Teacher, Outstanding Secondary Teacher, Outstanding Math Teacher and

Outstanding Science Teacher. AEF establishes a committee to evaluate the nominees, determine

the recipients of the Teaching Awards and plans the awards ceremony. During April 2015 awards

were given to 47 teachers for a total of \$17,850.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4d Program Service Expenses 2,000, Grants and allocations, 0,

Revenue 0 Royce Curtis Education Scholarship Endowment Program - The program began in

January 2012. The monies raised for the program are used to fund an endowment where earnings

are awarded to seniors in AISD in the form of scholarships. The amount of the scholarships

varies depending on the donations and earnings from investments. The scholarship funds are

held by the Community Foundation of Abilene for investment and remain there as a permanent

(asset) endowment for future scholarships. AEF collects all

donations, writes all acknowledgements, and administers all scholarships. One \$2,000

scholarships was awarded during July 2015.

Form 990, Part III, Line 4d Program Service Expenses 7,360, Grants and allocations: 0,

Revenue 0 Various Program related to promote and enhance an exemplary education for students

of the Abilene Independent School District, they receive varying amounts depending up criteria

and needs. Achievement Grants, Art Outreach Educational Grant, P-16 Council Readers,

Kindergarten Readiness Books, Million-Word Readers Program & PASS for Success.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 11b The organization's 990 is reviewed by the Treasurer,

who is also a CPA. Any questions are discussed with the preparer and if necessary research

performed to ensure proper reporting and agreement with audited statements. Once the

Treasurer's review is completed the 990 is supplied to each member of the finance committee

for review with any and all questions answered and adjustments are made if required.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 12c: Board members revisit the policy and sign off on the

agreement each January at the first board meeting of the year. They are to notify the

executive director immediately of any situation that causes them to be out of compliance with

the policy.

Form 990, Part VI, Section B, Line 15b: An evaluation document is used for all employees. The

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director reviews and approves the evaluation of the secretary. The director and campus

principals approve the evaluation of the college advisors, and the board of directors selects

the president of the board and one other board member to evaluate the executive director.

Form 990, Part VI, Section C, Line 19 Own website and upon request.