



# **Rocketship Public Schools Audit Committee Meeting Agenda (2025-26 - Q3)**

Tuesday, March 3, 2026 at 12:45 PM PST

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## **1. Opening Items**

- A. Call to Order
- B. Public comment on off-agenda items

## **2. Consent Items**

- A. Approve minutes from the December 2, 2025 meeting of the Rocketship Audit Committee

## **3. Action Item: Finance - Review and Recommend Approval**

- A. Recommend to the Rocketship Board of Directors approval of CliftonLarsonAllen (CLA) as auditor for the consolidated audit of Rocketship Education and its affiliated entities

## **4. Information Item**

- A. 403(b) Audit Update

## **5. Action Item: Finance - Review and Recommend Approval**

- A. Review and Recommend Approval of the Rocketship Education 990 for fiscal year ending 6/30/25 to the Rocketship Board of Directors

## **6. Information Item**

- A. Business Process Update

## **7. Adjournment**

- A. Adjourn Meeting

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## **Rocketship Public Schools Audit Committee (2025-26 Q2) (Tuesday, December 2, 2025)**

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### **1. Opening Items**

#### **A. Call to order**

At 12:45pm, Ms. Miller took roll call. With a quorum of committee members present, Ms. Miller called the meeting to order.

Present: Greg Stanger, Louis Jordan, Julie Miller

Absent: Courtney Shenberg

#### **B. Public comment on off-agenda items**

At 12:48pm, Ms. Miller called for public comment on off-agenda items. No comments from the public were made.

### **2. Consent Items**

#### **A. Approve minutes from August 29, 2025 meeting of the Rocketship Audit Committee**

At 12:49pm, a motion to approve consent items was made by Mr. Jordan, seconded by Mr. Stanger, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Greg Stanger, Louis Jordan, Julie Miller

N: --

Abstain: --

### **3. Action Items: Finance - Review and Approval**

#### **A. Review and Recommend Approval of the 2024-25 Audit to the Rocketship Board of Directors**

At 12:49pm, the committee discussed action item 3(A).

At 1:20pm, a motion to approve action item 3(A) was made by Mr. Jordan, seconded by Mr. Stanger, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Greg Stanger, Louis Jordan, Julie Miller

N: --

Abstain: --

### **4. Information Items**

#### **A. Auditor Selection Update**

At 1:24pm, the committee discussed agenda item 4(A). No action was taken.

### **5. Adjourn**

#### **A. Adjourn Meeting**

At 1:26pm, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mr. Jordan, seconded by Mr. Stanger, and carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Y: Greg Stanger, Louis Jordan, Julie Miller

N: --

Abstain: --

# ROCKETSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**Executive Summary  
Rocketship Education  
Board of Directors  
March 11, 2026**

<b>Subject:</b> Review and Approve CliftonLarsonAllen (CLA) as auditor for the consolidated audit of Rocketship Education and its affiliated entities.	X	<b>OPEN/ACTION</b>
		<b>INFORMATION</b>
		<b>CONSENT</b>

**Recommendation(s):**

Staff members recommend that the Rocketship Education (“RSED”) Board of Directors (“RSED-Board”) approve Clifton Larson Allen (“CLA”) as the auditor and tax preparer for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 2026.

The Statement of Work will allow RSED to retain auditor continuity by region ensuring maximum efficiency in the audit work being performed, year end reporting and meeting compliance requirements.

**Background:**

Clifton Larson Allen was the auditor for all regions for the fiscal year ended June 30th, 2025. CLA has provided a statement of work by region which outlines an overall increase of 7.7% in cost for the completion of the upcoming year's audits and 990. CLA has the industry expertise for both non-profit entities as well as the charter school sector, specifically with the specialized forms that need to be completed for California and Tennessee. CLA is approved by all RSED authorizers and we would like to have these contracts signed in the early spring to begin interim compliance work and any other testing that can happen prior to the fall.

**Summary of Previous Board Action by Board:**

On March 5, 2025 the RSED-Board approved Clifton Larson Allen (CLA) as auditor for the fiscal year 2024-25 consolidated audit of Rocketship Education and its affiliated entities, as recommended by the Rocketship Audit Committee.

**Fiscal Impact:**

The overall contract value has moved from \$264,450 in FY25 to \$284,930 in FY26.

**Submitted by:**

Steven Hykes, Controller



Date: February 11, 2026

### ***Statement of Work - Tax Exempt Returns and Filings***

This agreement constitutes a statement of work (“SOW”) under the master service agreement (“MSA”) dated February 17, 2023, or any superseding MSA, made by and between CliftonLarsonAllen LLP (“CLA,” “we,” “us,” and “our”) and Rocketship Education (“you,” “your,” or “the organization”) and any additional entities listed in the Appendix: Entity List (“you,” or “your”). The purpose of this SOW is to confirm our understanding of the scope of services, responsibilities, limitations, and related terms of our engagement for the year ended June 30, 2026.

#### **Our responsibility to you**

We will prepare the entity's federal and state returns and filings as defined herein in accordance with the applicable tax laws. We will use our judgment in resolving questions where the law is unclear, and where there is reasonable authority, we will resolve questions in your favor whenever possible.

We will not audit or otherwise verify the accuracy or completeness of the information we receive from you for the preparation of the returns and filings, and our engagement cannot be relied upon to uncover errors or irregularities in the underlying information.

#### **Your responsibilities**

It is your responsibility to provide us with all of the information needed to prepare complete and accurate returns and filings. We will have no obligation to prepare the returns and filings until you have provided such information to us. It is your responsibility to comply with all foreign jurisdiction filing requirements. We have no obligation to prepare returns for foreign jurisdictions.

CLA requires that you provide information 60 days prior to the filing deadline. If you provide information after that date, we may be unable to complete the return(s) by the original filing deadline and may need to file an extension. If an extension is filed and information is not provided by 60 days prior to the extended filing deadline, we may be unable to complete your return(s) by the extended due date. Failure to timely file your return(s) or to file for an extension can result in penalties which can be substantial.

The United States Supreme Court ruled in *South Dakota versus Wayfair* that physical presence is no longer required to establish nexus for sales tax. This ruling may have broad implications, even beyond sales tax, as to where an entity is subject to tax. Please note that if the entity had a taxable presence in more than one jurisdiction, such as an employee or agent within the jurisdiction, any tangible property owned or rented within the jurisdiction, or if the entity exceeds any applicable economic nexus thresholds, the entity, its owners, or related entities may be subject to state or local income, sales, use, franchise, or gross receipts tax

in that jurisdiction depending upon the particular facts. It is the entity's responsibility, not CLA's, to determine if assistance is needed in deciding whether the entity, its owners, or related entities may be liable for income, sales, use, franchise, or gross receipts tax, or have a filing requirement in the various state or local jurisdictions.

It is important for you to identify any ownership OR signature authority over a foreign bank account or other foreign financial assets which includes but is not limited to foreign: stocks, mutual funds, partnerships, bonds, retirement accounts, estates, trusts, annuities, swaps, and derivatives. Failure to disclose penalties can be significant, starting at \$10,000 and can be upwards of 50 percent of the value of the asset. Please provide account statements if you have any foreign account ownership or signature authority. Note that these rules do not apply to foreign investments held by U.S. mutual funds. In addition, ownership in a foreign business entity (association, corporation, disregarded entity, or partnership) could trigger additional U.S. foreign informational reporting requirements. These reporting requirements require the disclosure of ownership, financial information, and related-party transactions. Failure to properly disclose ownership, related-party transactions, and the required information could trigger a penalty of up to \$25,000 penalty per filing. We cannot be held responsible if you fail to identify or provide such information to us.

For all nonattest services we may provide to you, including these tax services, management agrees to assume all management responsibilities; oversee the services by designating an individual, preferably within senior management, who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience to understand and oversee the services; evaluate the adequacy and results of the services performed; and accept responsibility for the results of the services. Management is also responsible for ensuring that your data and records are complete and that you have received sufficient information to oversee the services. You are responsible to carefully review the returns and filings that we prepare on your behalf before they are signed and submitted to tax authorities. We will advise you with regard to tax positions taken in the preparation of the returns and filings, but the responsibility for the returns and filings remains with you.

### **Section 174 capitalization requirement**

For tax years beginning after December 31, 2021, research and experimental ("R&E") expenditures under Internal Revenue Code Section 174 were required to be capitalized and amortized. The legislation referred to as the "One Big Beautiful Bill Act" (the "Act"), signed on July 4, 2025, modified these rules.

The Act reinstated the ability to fully expense domestic R&E expenditures for tax years beginning after December 31, 2024. Unamortized domestic R&E expenditures from 2022 through 2024 can be deducted in 2025. Alternatively, they can be deducted ratably in 2025 and 2026. Additionally, small business taxpayers may elect to deduct such unamortized expenditures for tax years 2022 through 2024 on amended income tax returns if filed by July 4, 2026. Note that amending prior year tax returns may reduce previously claimed research and development tax credits and result in other impacts to prior year tax liabilities.

The Act did not change the treatment of foreign R&E expenditures. Therefore, such expenditures must continue to be identified, capitalized, and amortized over 15 years.

We are available to model and analyze the impacts of each option available to you under the Act. Such services, if requested, will be covered under a separate SOW.

### **Beneficial ownership information reporting**

Under the Corporate Transparency Act (CTA), foreign entities (non-US entities) doing business in the U.S. are required to report information to the Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) as to their beneficial ownership. It is your responsibility to prepare and submit any BOI report to FinCEN that is required under the CTA. In addition, certain states may have beneficial ownership disclosure requirements for foreign and domestic entities. We have no obligation to identify any filing requirements or provide any services related to BOI reporting.

### **Tax examinations**

All returns and filings are subject to potential examination by the IRS and state taxing authorities. In the event of an examination, we will be available, at your request, to assist or represent you. Services in connection with tax examinations are not included in our fee for preparation of your returns and filings. Our fee for such services will be billed to you, along with any direct costs.

### **Record retention**

You are responsible for retaining all documents, records, canceled checks, receipts, or other evidence in support of information and amounts reported on your returns and filings. These items may be necessary in the event a taxing authority examines or challenges your returns or filings. These records should be kept for at least seven years. Your copy of the returns and filings should be retained indefinitely.

If carryover item(s) exist (e.g., capital loss, net operating loss, tax credits, etc.), you should retain the supporting records related to the carryover item(s) until the item has either been utilized (and the statute of limitations associated with the year of utilization has expired) or the carryforward period has expired.

In preparing the returns and filings, we rely on your representation that you understand and have complied with these documentation requirements. You are responsible for the proper recording of transactions in the books of accounts, for the safeguarding of assets, and for the substantial accuracy of your financial records.

All of the records that you provide to us to prepare your returns and filings will be returned to you after our use. Our working papers, including any copies of your records that we chose to make, are our property and will be retained by us in accordance with our established records retention policy. This policy states, in general, that we will retain our working papers for a period of seven years. After this period expires, our working papers and files will be destroyed. Furthermore, physical deterioration or catastrophic events may shorten the time our records are available. The working papers and files of our firm are not a substitute for your records.

### **Tax consulting services**

This statement of work also covers tax consulting services that may arise for which you seek our consultation and advice, both written and oral, that are not the subject of a separate statement of work. These additional services are not included in our fees for the preparation of the federal and state returns and filings. Our fee for such services will be billed to you, along with any direct costs.

We will base our tax analysis and conclusions on the facts you provide to us, and will not independently verify those facts. We will review the applicable tax law, tax regulations, and other tax authorities, all of which are subject to change. At your request, we will provide a memorandum of our conclusions. Written

advice provided by us is for your information and use only and is not to be provided to any third party without our express written consent.

Unless we are separately engaged to do so, we will not continuously monitor and update our advice for subsequent changes or modifications to the tax law and regulations, or to the related judicial and administrative interpretations.

<b>Tax Compliance Services or Form Description</b>	<b>Fee Detail</b>
IRS Form 990 – Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax	\$5,250
LDC IRS Form 990 – Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax	\$5,550
LDC Five LLC IRS Form 990 – Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax	\$2,850
Rocketship Education WI - IRS Form 990 – Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax	\$4,500
Rocketship Education DC - IRS Form 990 – Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax	\$4,500
Individual LLC - CA FTB Form 199 - Exempt Organization Annual Information Return (per LLC)	\$1,150
Rocketship Nashville - IRS Form 990 - Return of Organization Exempt from income Tax	\$4,500

Our customary billing practice is to invoice up to 50% of the estimated professional services fees upon receipt of your tax return information, or upon the preparation of an application for an extension of time to file your tax return(s) if earlier. We will continue to periodically bill for our time as work progresses.

Our professional fee reflects that, if needed, CLA will provide you with first and second drafts of each return or filing. Additional drafts requested by you may result in additional professional fees.

Additional charges may apply if you request a paper copy of your return(s), your circumstances are complex, changes to the tax law occur, or unexpected circumstances require additional time. We may apply a 20% surcharge (based on prior year invoice) if you do not provide accurate and complete tax information at least 60 days prior to the extended federal filing deadline, and an additional 5% surcharge for each and every two-week period thereafter until accurate and complete tax information is provided.

We will also bill for expenses (including travel, report production, word processing, postage, internal and

administrative charges, etc.) plus a technology and client support fee of five percent (5%) of all professional fees billed. Our invoices, including applicable state and local taxes, will be rendered as work progresses and are payable on presentation.

**Termination of agreement**

Either party (you or CLA) may terminate this SOW at any time by giving written notice to the other party. In that event, the provisions of this SOW and the MSA shall continue to apply to all services rendered prior to termination.

**Authority to Execute**

The entity executing this SOW represents that it is duly authorized to do so and on behalf of itself and the entities listed on the Appendix: Entity List.

**Agreement**

We appreciate the opportunity to provide the services described in this SOW related to the MSA. All terms and provisions of the MSA shall apply to these services. If you agree with the terms of this SOW, please sign below to indicate your acknowledgement and understanding of, and agreement with, this SOW.

**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

Derrick DeBruyne

Principal

derrick.debruyne@claconnect.com

**Accepted on behalf of:**

CLA  
CLA

*Derrick DeBruyne*

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Derrick DeBruyne, Principal

**SIGNED** 2/12/2026, 3:35:09 PM PST

**Client**  
Rocketship Education

SIGN:

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Benjamin Carson

DATE:

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### Entity List

CLA Client ID	Entity Name
A274374	Rocketship Education Wisconsin
A275279	Launchpad Development Company
A275277	Launchpad Development One LLC
A275276	Launchpad Development Two LLC
A275275	Launchpad Development Three LLC
A275274	Launchpad Development Four LLC
A275269	Launchpad Development Five LLC
A275272	Launchpad Development Eight LLC
A275268	Launchpad Development Ten LLC
A275267	Launchpad Development Eleven LLC
A275266	Launchpad Development Twelve LLC
A274690	Launchpad Development Fifteen LLC
A274689	Launchpad Development Sixteen LLC
A274688	Launchpad Development Seventeen LLC
A274689	Launchpad Development Eighteen LLC
B116560	Rocketship Education DC
B118204	Rocketship Nashville



February 11, 2026

### ***Statement of Work - Audit Services***

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Derrick DeBruyne is responsible for the performance of the audit engagement. Per Education Code Section 41020(f)(2), there is a limit of six consecutive years for any firm where the principal of the audit and the reviewing principal have been the same in each of those years. This is the fifth consecutive year Derrick DeBruyne will be the engagement principal.

#### **Scope of audit services**

We will audit the financial statements of Rocketship Education, which comprise the financial statements identified below, and the related notes to the financial statements (collectively, the "financial statements") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2026.

The consolidated statement of financial position and the related consolidated statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the consolidated financial statements.

We will also evaluate and report on the presentation of the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

#### **Nonaudit services**

We will also provide the following nonaudit services:

- Preparation of data collection form
- Preparation of your financial statements and the related notes.
- Preparation of the supplementary information.
- Preparation of schedule of expenditures of federal awards.
- Preparation of adjusting journal entries, as needed.

- Preparation of the informational tax returns.

### **Audit objectives**

The objectives of our audit of the financial statements are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion about whether your financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAS) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS; the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance); and the 2025-2026 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting, published by the Education Audit Appeals Panel (State Audit Guide). Those standards require us to be independent of the entity and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. Our audit will include tests of your accounting records, a determination of major program(s) in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express opinions and render the required reports.

We will also perform procedures to enable us to express an opinion on whether the supplementary information (as identified above) accompanying the financial statements is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

The objectives of our audit also include:

- Reporting on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and award agreements, noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the financial statements in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.
- Reporting on internal control over compliance related to major programs and expressing an opinion (or disclaimer of opinion) on compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards that could have a direct and material effect on each major program in accordance with the Uniform Guidance.

The *Government Auditing Standards* report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters will include a paragraph that states (1) that the purpose of the report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance, and (2) that the report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering

the entity's internal control and compliance. The Uniform Guidance report on internal control over compliance will include a paragraph that states that the purpose of the report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Both reports will state that the report is not suitable for any other purpose.

We will issue written reports upon completion of our audit of your financial statements and compliance with requirements applicable to major programs.

We will provide an opinion (or disclaimer of opinion) on compliance with requirements described in the 2025-26 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting, published by the Education Audit Appeals Panel. The State Compliance report will include a paragraph that states that the purpose of the report over compliance is to express an opinion on compliance with the types of requirements described in the 2025-26 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting; however, that the audit does not provide a legal determination of the entity's compliance.

The state compliance report on internal control over compliance will include a paragraph that states that the purpose of the report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the State Audit Guide.

Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinions, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph to our auditors' report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinions on the financial statements or compliance are other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If circumstances occur related to the condition of your records, the availability of sufficient, appropriate audit evidence, or the existence of a significant risk of material misstatement of the financial statements or material noncompliance caused by error, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets, which in our professional judgment prevent us from completing the audit or forming an opinion on the financial statements or an opinion on compliance, we retain the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express opinions or issue reports, or withdrawing from the engagement.

It is our understanding that our auditors' report will be included in your annual report which is comprised of Local Education Agency Organization Structure and that your annual report will be issued concurrent with the financial statement audit. Our responsibility for other information included in your annual report does not extend beyond the financial information identified in our opinion on the financial statements. We have no responsibility for determining whether such other information is properly stated and do not have an obligation to perform any procedures to corroborate other information contained in your annual report. We are required by professional standards to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the financial statements because the credibility of the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon may be undermined by material inconsistencies between the audited financial statements and other information. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to

describe it in our report.

### **Auditor responsibilities, procedures, and limitations**

We will conduct our audit in accordance with U.S. GAAS, the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, the Uniform Guidance, and the State Audit Guide.

Those standards require that we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the planning and performance of the audit. As part of our audit, we will:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and evaluate whether audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement or a material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of the entity and its environment, including the system of internal control, relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the amounts and disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Conclude, based on our evaluation of audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Although our audit planning has not been concluded and modifications may be made, we have identified the following significant risk(s) of material misstatement as part of our audit planning:

- Management Override of Internal Controls
- Revenue Recognition

There is an unavoidable risk, because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, that some material misstatements or noncompliance may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance. Because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, material misstatements, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity, may not be detected. Because

the determination of waste and abuse is subjective, *Government Auditing Standards* do not require auditors to perform specific procedures to detect waste or abuse in financial audits nor do they expect auditors to provide reasonable assurance of detecting waste or abuse.

In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements or on major programs. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any material errors, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential. We will include such matters in the reports required for a single audit.

Tests of controls may be performed to test the effectiveness of certain controls that we consider relevant to preventing and detecting fraud or errors that are material to the financial statements and to preventing and detecting misstatements resulting from noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. Our tests, if performed, will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on internal control and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

As required by the Uniform Guidance, we will perform tests of controls over compliance to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of controls that we consider relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with compliance requirements applicable to each major program. However, our tests will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on those controls and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to the Uniform Guidance.

An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses in internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we identify during the audit that are required to be communicated under AICPA professional standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, the Uniform Guidance, and the State Audit Guide.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of the entity's compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. However, the objective of our audit will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion in our report on compliance issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

We will include in our report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance relevant information about any identified or suspected instances of fraud and any identified or suspected noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements that may have occurred that are required to be communicated under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The Uniform Guidance and the State Audit Guide require that we also plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the auditee has complied with state and federal statutes, regulations,

and the terms and conditions of federal awards that may have a direct and material effect on each of the entity's major programs. Our procedures will consist of tests of transactions and other applicable procedures described in the "OMB Compliance Supplement" for the types of compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of the entity's major programs. The purpose of these procedures will be to express an opinion on the entity's compliance with requirements applicable to each of its major programs in our report on compliance issued pursuant to the Uniform Guidance and State Audit Guide.

We will evaluate the presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards accompanying the financial statements in relation to the financial statements as a whole. We will make certain inquiries of management and evaluate the form, content, and methods of preparing the schedule to determine whether the information complies with U.S. GAAP and the Uniform Guidance, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We will compare and reconcile the schedule to the underlying accounting records and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

### **Management responsibilities**

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that you (management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance) acknowledge and understand that you have certain responsibilities that are fundamental to the conduct of an audit.

You are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements and the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in accordance with U.S. GAAP. Management is also responsible for identifying all federal awards received, understanding and complying with the compliance requirements, and for the preparation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards (including notes and noncash assistance received) in accordance with the requirements of the Uniform Guidance.

Management's responsibilities include the selection and application of accounting principles; recording and reflecting all transactions in the financial statements; determining the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates included in the financial statements; adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements; and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is responsible for compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements, including compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards applicable to the entity's federal programs. Your responsibilities also include identifying significant contractor relationships in which the contractor has responsibility for program

compliance and for the accuracy and completeness of that information.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control, including internal control over compliance, relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, including evaluating and monitoring ongoing activities and safeguarding assets to help ensure that appropriate goals and objectives are met; and that there is reasonable assurance that government programs are administered in compliance with compliance requirements.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls to prevent and detect fraud; assessing the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud; and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity received in communications from employees, former employees, grantors, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for implementing systems designed to achieve compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements, including compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards applicable to the entity's federal programs; identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, including compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards applicable to the entity's federal programs; and informing us of all instances of identified or suspected noncompliance whose effects on the financial statements should be considered.

You are responsible for taking timely and appropriate steps to remedy any fraud; noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements; or abuse that we may report. Additionally, as required by the Uniform Guidance and State Audit Guide, it is management's responsibility to evaluate and monitor noncompliance with federal and state statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal and state awards; take prompt action when instances of noncompliance are identified, including noncompliance identified in audit findings; and to follow up and take prompt corrective action on reported audit findings and to prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings and a corrective action plan. The summary schedule of prior audit findings should be available for our review.

You are responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, including amounts and disclosures, such as records, documentation, identification of all related parties and all related-party relationships and transactions, and other matters, and for the accuracy and completeness of that information (including information from within and outside of the general and subsidiary ledgers), and for ensuring management information and financial information is reliable and properly reported; (2) access to personnel, accounts, books, records, supporting documentation, and other information as needed to perform an audit under the Uniform Guidance; (3) access to personnel, accounts, books, records, supporting documentation, and other information as needed to perform an audit under the State Audit Guide; and (4) unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

You agree to inform us of events occurring or facts discovered subsequent to the date of the financial statements that may affect the financial statements.

You agree to include our report on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in any document that contains and indicates that we have reported on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards that includes our report thereon or make the audited financial statements readily available to intended users of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards no later than the date the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is issued with our report thereon. Your responsibilities include acknowledging to us in the representation letter that (1) you are responsible for presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in accordance with the Uniform Guidance; (2) you believe the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with the Uniform Guidance; (3) the methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period (or, if they have changed, the reasons for such changes); and (4) you have disclosed to us any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement or presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of other supplementary information in accordance with U.S. GAAP. You agree to include our report on the supplementary information in any document that contains, and indicates that we have reported on, the supplementary information. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the supplementary information that includes our report thereon or make the audited financial statements readily available to users of the supplementary information no later than the date the supplementary information is issued with our report thereon. You agree to provide us written representations related to the presentation of the supplementary information.

Management is responsible for the preparation of other information included in your annual report. You agree to provide the final version of such information to us in a timely manner, and if possible, prior to the date of our auditors' report. If the other information included in your annual report will not be available until after the date of our auditors' report on the financial statements, you agree to provide written representations indicating that (1) the information is consistent with the financial statements, (2) the other information does not contain material misstatements, and (3) the final version of the documents will be provided to us when available, and prior to issuance of the annual report by the entity, so that we can complete the procedures required by professional standards. Management agrees to correct material inconsistencies that we may identify. You agree to include our auditors' report in any document containing financial statements that indicates that such financial statements have been audited by us.

Management is responsible for providing us with a written confirmation concerning representations made by you and your staff to us in connection with the audit. During our engagement, we will request information and explanations from you regarding, among other matters, the entity's operations, internal control, future plans, specific transactions, and accounting systems and procedures. The procedures we will perform during our engagement and the conclusions we reach as a basis for our report will be heavily influenced by the representations that we receive in the representation letter and otherwise from you. Accordingly, inaccurate, incomplete, or false representations could cause us to expend unnecessary effort or

could cause a material fraud or error to go undetected by our procedures. In view of the foregoing, you agree that we shall not be responsible for any misstatements in the entity's financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of misrepresentations made to us by you.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining a process for tracking the status of audit findings and recommendations. Management is also responsible for identifying and providing report copies to us of previous financial audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other studies related to the objectives discussed in the "Audit objectives" section of this letter. This responsibility includes relaying to us corrective actions taken to address significant findings and recommendations resulting from those audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other engagements or studies. You are also responsible for providing management's views on our current findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as your planned corrective actions for the report, and for the timing and format for providing that information.

### **Responsibilities and limitations related to nonaudit services**

For all nonaudit services we may provide to you, management agrees to assume all management responsibilities; oversee the services by designating an individual, preferably within senior management, who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience to understand and oversee the services; evaluate the adequacy and results of the services; and accept responsibility for the results of the services. Management is also responsible for ensuring that your data and records are complete and that you have received sufficient information to oversee the services.

### **Use of financial statements**

Should you decide to include or incorporate by reference these financial statements and our auditors' report(s) thereon in a future private placement or other offering of equity or debt securities, you agree that we are under no obligation to re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report in such a registration or offering document. We will determine, at our sole discretion, whether we will re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report only after we have performed the procedures we consider necessary in the circumstances. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, we will be required to perform certain procedures including, but not limited to, (a) reading other information incorporated by reference in the registration statement or other offering document and (b) subsequent event procedures. These procedures will be considered an engagement separate and distinct from our audit engagement, and we will bill you separately. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, you agree that we will be included on each distribution of draft offering materials and we will receive a complete set of final documents. If we decide not to re-issue our report or decide to withhold our consent to the use of our report, you may be required to engage another firm to audit periods covered by our audit reports, and that firm will likely bill you for its services. While the successor auditor may request access to our workpapers for those periods, we are under no obligation to permit such access.

If the parties (i.e., you and CLA) agree that CLA will not be involved with your official statements related to municipal securities filings or other offering documents, we will require that any official statements or other offering documents issued by you with which we are not involved clearly indicate that CLA is not involved with the contents of such documents. Such disclosure should read as follows:

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, our independent auditor, has not been engaged to perform and has not

performed, since the date of its report included herein, any procedures on the financial statements addressed in that report. CliftonLarsonAllen LLP also has not performed any procedures relating to this offering document.

With regard to the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website or submitted on a regulator website, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in those sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document.

We may issue preliminary draft financial statements to you for your review. Any preliminary draft financial statements should not be relied on or distributed.

### **Engagement administration and other matters**

We expect to begin our audit on approximately April 1, 2026.

We expect to issue our reports within the regulatory time frame, unless unforeseen problems are encountered.

We understand that your employees will prepare all confirmations, account analyses, and audit schedules we request and will locate any documents or invoices selected by us for testing. A list of information we expect to need for our audit and the dates required will be provided in a separate communication.

At the conclusion of the engagement, we will complete the auditor sections of the electronic Data Collection Form SF-SAC and perform the steps to certify the Form SF-SAC and single audit reporting package. It is management's responsibility to complete the auditee sections of the Data Collection Form. We will create the single audit reporting package PDF file for submission; however, it is management's responsibility to review for completeness and accuracy and electronically submit the reporting package (including financial statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, summary schedule of prior audit findings, auditors' reports, and corrective action plan) along with the Data Collection Form to the federal audit clearinghouse and, if appropriate, to pass-through entities. The Data Collection Form and the reporting package must be electronically submitted within the earlier of 30 calendar days after receipt of the auditors' reports or nine months after the end of the audit period.

We will provide copies of our reports to the entity; however, management is responsible for distribution of the reports and the financial statements. Unless restricted by law or regulation, or containing confidential or sensitive information, copies of our reports are to be made available for public inspection.

The audit documentation for this engagement is the property of CLA and constitutes confidential information. However, we may be requested to make certain audit documentation available to regulatory bodies pursuant to authority given to it by law or regulation. If requested, access to such audit documentation will be provided under the supervision of CLA's personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies of selected audit documentation to those regulators. The regulators may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies of information contained therein to others, including other governmental

agencies.

The audit documentation for this engagement will be retained for a minimum of seven years after the report release date or for any additional period requested by a regulator. If we are aware that a federal or state awarding agency, pass-through entity, or auditee is contesting an audit finding, we will contact the party(ies) contesting the audit finding for guidance prior to destroying the audit documentation.

Professional standards require us to be independent with respect to you in the performance of these services. Any discussion that you have with our personnel regarding potential employment with you could impair our independence with respect to this engagement. Therefore, we request that you inform us prior to any such discussions so that we can implement appropriate safeguards to maintain our independence and objectivity. Further, any employment offers to any staff members working on this engagement without our prior knowledge may require substantial additional procedures to ensure our independence. You will be responsible for any additional costs incurred to perform these procedures.

Our audit engagement ends on delivery of our signed report. Any additional services that might be requested will be a separate, new engagement. The terms and conditions of that new engagement will be governed by a new, specific SOW for that service.

*Government Auditing Standards* require that we make our most recent external peer review report publicly available. The report is posted on our website at [www.CLAconnect.com/Aboutus/](http://www.CLAconnect.com/Aboutus/).

## **Fees**

Audit of financial statements	\$118,900.00
Federal single audit	\$1,300.00

We will also bill for expenses (including travel, report production, word processing, postage, internal and administrative charges, etc.) plus a technology and client support fee of five percent (5%) of all professional fees billed. Our invoices, including applicable state and local taxes, will be rendered as work progresses and are payable on presentation. There is a ten percent withholding clause per Education Code 14505.

<b>Bill to be mailed on</b>	<b>Amount to be billed</b>
April 2026	One-third of our professional fees
September 2026	One-third of our professional fees
November 2026	One-third of our professional fees

Estimated fees are based on the 2025-2026 State Audit Guide dated July 1, 2025.

## **Unexpected circumstances**

We will advise you if unexpected circumstances require significant additional procedures resulting in a substantial increase in the fee estimate.

## **Changes in accounting and audit standards**

Standard setters and regulators continue to evaluate and modify standards. Such changes may result in new or revised financial reporting and disclosure requirements or expand the nature, timing, and scope of the activities we are required to perform. To the extent that the amount of time required to provide the services described in the SOW increases due to such changes, our fee may need to be adjusted. We will discuss such circumstances with you prior to performing the additional work.

**Agreement**

We appreciate the opportunity to provide the services described in this SOW related to the MSA. All terms and provisions of the MSA shall apply to these services. If you agree with the terms of this SOW, please sign below to indicate your acknowledgement and understanding of, and agreement with, this SOW.

Sincerely,

**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

**Response:**

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of Rocketship Education.

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*Derrick DeBruyne*

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Derrick DeBruyne, Principal

**SIGNED** 2/12/2026, 3:16:18 PM PST

**Client**  
Rocketship Education

SIGN:

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Benjamin Carson

DATE:

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February 11, 2026

### ***Statement of Work - Audit Services***

This agreement constitutes a statement of work ("SOW") under the master service agreement ("MSA") dated February 17, 2023, or superseding MSA, made by and between CliftonLarsonAllen LLP ("CLA," "we," "us," and "our") and Rocketship Education D.C., Public Charter School, Inc. ("you," "your," or "the entity"). We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the terms and objectives of our engagement and the nature and limitations of the services CLA will provide for the entity as of and for the year ended June 30, 2026.

Derrick DeBruyne is responsible for the services provided to you. He will be assisted by Steve Johnson, who is responsible for the performance of the audit engagement.

#### **Scope of audit services**

We will audit the financial statements of Rocketship Education D.C., Public Charter School, Inc., which comprise the financial statements identified below, and the related notes to the financial statements (collectively, the "financial statements") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2026.

Statement of Financial Position

Statement of Activities and Changes in Net Deficit

Statement of Functional Expenses

Statement of Cash Flows

The following supplementary information accompanying the financial statements will not be subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the financial statements and our auditors' report will not provide an opinion or any assurance on that information:

Schedule of Vendor Contracts \$25,000 or Greater

Schedule of Average Useable Square Footage by Campus

Schedule of Income not Subject to Administrative Fee

#### **Nonaudit services**

We will also provide the following nonaudit services:

- Preparation of data collection form
- Preparation of your financial statements and the related notes.
- Preparation of the required supplementary information (RSI).
- Preparation of the supplementary information.
- Preparation of schedule of expenditures of federal awards.
- Preparation of adjusting journal entries, as needed.

### **Audit objectives**

The objectives of our audit of the financial statements are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion about whether your financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAS) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS; the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States; and the audit requirements of Title 2 U.S. Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, *Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards* (Uniform Guidance). Those standards require us to be independent of the entity and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. Our audit will include tests of your accounting records, a determination of major program(s) in accordance with the Uniform Guidance, and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express opinions and render the required reports.

We will also perform procedures to enable us to express an opinion on whether the supplementary information (as identified above) accompanying the financial statements is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

The objectives of our audit also include:

- Reporting on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and award agreements, noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the financial statements in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*.
- Reporting on internal control over compliance related to major programs and expressing an opinion (or disclaimer of opinion) on compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards that could have a direct and material effect on each major program in accordance with the

Uniform Guidance.

The *Government Auditing Standards* report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters will include a paragraph that states (1) that the purpose of the report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance, and (2) that the report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. The Uniform Guidance report on internal control over compliance will include a paragraph that states that the purpose of the report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Uniform Guidance. Both reports will state that the report is not suitable for any other purpose.

We will issue written reports upon completion of our audit of your financial statements and compliance with requirements applicable to major programs.

Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinions, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph to our auditors' report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinions on the financial statements or compliance are other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If circumstances occur related to the condition of your records, the availability of sufficient, appropriate audit evidence, or the existence of a significant risk of material misstatement of the financial statements or material noncompliance caused by error, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets, which in our professional judgment prevent us from completing the audit or forming an opinion on the financial statements or an opinion on compliance, we retain the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express opinions or issue reports, or withdrawing from the engagement.

### **Auditor responsibilities, procedures, and limitations**

We will conduct our audit in accordance with U.S. GAAS, the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance.

Those standards require that we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the planning and performance of the audit. As part of our audit, we will:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements and material noncompliance, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and evaluate whether audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement or a material noncompliance resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of the entity and its environment, including the system of internal control, relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not

for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.

- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the amounts and disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Conclude, based on our evaluation of audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Although our audit planning has not been concluded and modifications may be made, we have identified the following significant risk(s) of material misstatement as part of our audit planning:

- Management override of controls
- Improper revenue recognition

There is an unavoidable risk, because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, that some material misstatements or noncompliance may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance. Because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, material misstatements, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity, may not be detected. Because the determination of waste and abuse is subjective, *Government Auditing Standards* do not require auditors to perform specific procedures to detect waste or abuse in financial audits nor do they expect auditors to provide reasonable assurance of detecting waste or abuse.

In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements or on major programs. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any material errors, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential. We will include such matters in the reports required for a single audit.

Tests of controls may be performed to test the effectiveness of certain controls that we consider relevant to preventing and detecting fraud or errors that are material to the financial statements and to preventing and detecting misstatements resulting from noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. Our tests, if performed, will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on internal control and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

As required by the Uniform Guidance, we will perform tests of controls over compliance to evaluate the effectiveness of the design and operation of controls that we consider relevant to preventing or detecting material noncompliance with compliance requirements applicable to each major program. However, our tests will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on those controls and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to the Uniform Guidance.

An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses in internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we identify during the audit that are required to be communicated under AICPA professional standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the Uniform Guidance.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of the entity's compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. However, the objective of our audit will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion in our report on compliance issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

We will include in our report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance relevant information about any identified or suspected instances of fraud and any identified or suspected noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements that may have occurred that are required to be communicated under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The Uniform Guidance requires that we also plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the auditee has complied with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards that may have a direct and material effect on each of the entity's major programs. Our procedures will consist of tests of transactions and other applicable procedures described in the "OMB Compliance Supplement" for the types of compliance requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each of the entity's major programs. The purpose of these procedures will be to express an opinion on the entity's compliance with requirements applicable to each of its major programs in our report on compliance issued pursuant to the Uniform Guidance.

We will evaluate the presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards accompanying the financial statements in relation to the financial statements as a whole. We will make certain inquiries of management and evaluate the form, content, and methods of preparing the schedule to determine whether the information complies with U.S. GAAP and the Uniform Guidance, the method of preparing it has not changed from the prior period, and the information is appropriate and complete in relation to our audit of the financial statements. We will compare and reconcile the schedule to the underlying accounting records and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves.

Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

### **Management responsibilities**

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that you (management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance) acknowledge and understand that you have certain responsibilities that are fundamental to the conduct of an audit.

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Management's responsibilities include the selection and application of accounting principles; recording and reflecting all transactions in the financial statements; determining the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates included in the financial statements; adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements; and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is responsible for compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements, including compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards applicable to the entity's federal programs. Your responsibilities also include identifying significant contractor relationships in which the contractor has responsibility for program compliance and for the accuracy and completeness of that information.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control, including internal control over compliance, relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, including evaluating and monitoring ongoing activities and safeguarding assets to help ensure that appropriate goals and objectives are met; and that there is reasonable assurance that government programs are administered in compliance with compliance requirements.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls to prevent and detect fraud; assessing the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud; and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity received in communications from employees, former employees, grantors, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for implementing systems designed to achieve compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements, including compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards applicable to the entity's federal programs; identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, including compliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards

applicable to the entity's federal programs; and informing us of all instances of identified or suspected noncompliance whose effects on the financial statements should be considered.

You are responsible for taking timely and appropriate steps to remedy any fraud; noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements; or abuse that we may report. Additionally, as required by the Uniform Guidance, it is management's responsibility to evaluate and monitor noncompliance with federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of federal awards; take prompt action when instances of noncompliance are identified, including noncompliance identified in audit findings; and to follow up and take prompt corrective action on reported audit findings and to prepare a summary schedule of prior audit findings and a corrective action plan. The summary schedule of prior audit findings should be available for our review.

You are responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, including amounts and disclosures, such as records, documentation, identification of all related parties and all related-party relationships and transactions, and other matters, and for the accuracy and completeness of that information (including information from within and outside of the general and subsidiary ledgers), and for ensuring management information and financial information is reliable and properly reported; (2) access to personnel, accounts, books, records, supporting documentation, and other information as needed to perform an audit under the Uniform Guidance; (3) additional information that we may request for the purpose of the audit; and (4) unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

You agree to inform us of events occurring or facts discovered subsequent to the date of the financial statements that may affect the financial statements.

You agree to include our report on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in any document that contains and indicates that we have reported on the schedule of expenditures of federal awards. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards that includes our report thereon or make the audited financial statements readily available to intended users of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards no later than the date the schedule of expenditures of federal awards is issued with our report thereon. Your responsibilities include acknowledging to us in the representation letter that (1) you are responsible for presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards in accordance with the Uniform Guidance; (2) you believe the schedule of expenditures of federal awards, including its form and content, is fairly presented in accordance with the Uniform Guidance; (3) the methods of measurement or presentation have not changed from those used in the prior period (or, if they have changed, the reasons for such changes); and (4) you have disclosed to us any significant assumptions or interpretations underlying the measurement or presentation of the schedule of expenditures of federal awards.

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of other supplementary information in accordance with U.S. GAAP. You agree to include our report on the supplementary information in any document that contains, and indicates that we have reported on, the supplementary information. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the supplementary information that includes our report thereon or make the audited financial statements readily available to users of the

supplementary information no later than the date the supplementary information is issued with our report thereon. You agree to provide us written representations related to the presentation of the supplementary information.

Management is responsible for providing us with a written confirmation concerning representations made by you and your staff to us in connection with the audit. During our engagement, we will request information and explanations from you regarding, among other matters, the entity's operations, internal control, future plans, specific transactions, and accounting systems and procedures. The procedures we will perform during our engagement and the conclusions we reach as a basis for our report will be heavily influenced by the representations that we receive in the representation letter and otherwise from you. Accordingly, inaccurate, incomplete, or false representations could cause us to expend unnecessary effort or could cause a material fraud or error to go undetected by our procedures. In view of the foregoing, you agree that we shall not be responsible for any misstatements in the entity's financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of misrepresentations made to us by you.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining a process for tracking the status of audit findings and recommendations. Management is also responsible for identifying and providing report copies to us of previous financial audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other studies related to the objectives discussed in the "Audit objectives" section of this letter. This responsibility includes relaying to us corrective actions taken to address significant findings and recommendations resulting from those audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other engagements or studies. You are also responsible for providing management's views on our current findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as your planned corrective actions for the report, and for the timing and format for providing that information.

### **Responsibilities and limitations related to nonaudit services**

For all nonaudit services we may provide to you, management agrees to assume all management responsibilities; oversee the services by designating an individual, preferably within senior management, who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience to understand and oversee the services; evaluate the adequacy and results of the services; and accept responsibility for the results of the services. Management is also responsible for ensuring that your data and records are complete and that you have received sufficient information to oversee the services.

### **Use of financial statements**

Should you decide to include or incorporate by reference these financial statements and our auditors' report(s) thereon in a future private placement or other offering of equity or debt securities, you agree that we are under no obligation to re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report in such a registration or offering document. We will determine, at our sole discretion, whether we will re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report only after we have performed the procedures we consider necessary in the circumstances. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, we will be required to perform certain procedures including, but not limited to, (a) reading other information incorporated by reference in the registration statement or other offering document and (b) subsequent event procedures. These procedures will be considered an engagement separate and distinct from our audit engagement, and we will bill you separately. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our

report, you agree that we will be included on each distribution of draft offering materials and we will receive a complete set of final documents. If we decide not to re-issue our report or decide to withhold our consent to the use of our report, you may be required to engage another firm to audit periods covered by our audit reports, and that firm will likely bill you for its services. While the successor auditor may request access to our workpapers for those periods, we are under no obligation to permit such access.

If the parties (i.e., you and CLA) agree that CLA will not be involved with your official statements related to municipal securities filings or other offering documents, we will require that any official statements or other offering documents issued by you with which we are not involved clearly indicate that CLA is not involved with the contents of such documents. Such disclosure should read as follows:

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, our independent auditor, has not been engaged to perform and has not performed, since the date of its report included herein, any procedures on the financial statements addressed in that report. CliftonLarsonAllen LLP also has not performed any procedures relating to this offering document.

With regard to the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website or submitted on a regulator website, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in those sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document.

We may issue preliminary draft financial statements to you for your review. Any preliminary draft financial statements should not be relied on or distributed.

### **Engagement administration and other matters**

We expect to issue our reports within the regulatory time frame, unless unforeseen problems are encountered.

We understand that your employees will prepare all confirmations, account analyses, and audit schedules we request and will locate any documents or invoices selected by us for testing. A list of information we expect to need for our audit and the dates required will be provided in a separate communication.

At the conclusion of the engagement, we will complete the auditor sections of the electronic Data Collection Form SF-SAC and perform the steps to certify the Form SF-SAC and single audit reporting package. It is management's responsibility to complete the auditee sections of the Data Collection Form. We will create the single audit reporting package PDF file for submission; however, it is management's responsibility to review for completeness and accuracy and electronically submit the reporting package (including financial statements, schedule of expenditures of federal awards, summary schedule of prior audit findings, auditors' reports, and corrective action plan) along with the Data Collection Form to the federal audit clearinghouse and, if appropriate, to pass-through entities. The Data Collection Form and the reporting package must be electronically submitted within the earlier of 30 calendar days after receipt of the auditors' reports or nine months after the end of the audit period.

We will provide copies of our reports to the entity; however, management is responsible for distribution of the reports and the financial statements. Unless restricted by law or regulation, or containing confidential or sensitive information, copies of our reports are to be made available for public inspection.

The audit documentation for this engagement is the property of CLA and constitutes confidential information. However, we may be requested to make certain audit documentation available to regulatory bodies pursuant to authority given to it by law or regulation. If requested, access to such audit documentation will be provided under the supervision of CLA's personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies of selected audit documentation to those regulators. The regulators may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies of information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies.

The audit documentation for this engagement will be retained for a minimum of seven years after the report release date or for any additional period requested by a regulator. If we are aware that a federal or state awarding agency, pass-through entity, or auditee is contesting an audit finding, we will contact the party(ies) contesting the audit finding for guidance prior to destroying the audit documentation.

Professional standards require us to be independent with respect to you in the performance of these services. Any discussion that you have with our personnel regarding potential employment with you could impair our independence with respect to this engagement. Therefore, we request that you inform us prior to any such discussions so that we can implement appropriate safeguards to maintain our independence and objectivity. Further, any employment offers to any staff members working on this engagement without our prior knowledge may require substantial additional procedures to ensure our independence. You will be responsible for any additional costs incurred to perform these procedures.

Our audit engagement ends on delivery of our signed report. Any additional services that might be requested will be a separate, new engagement. The terms and conditions of that new engagement will be governed by a new, specific SOW for that service.

*Government Auditing Standards* require that we make our most recent external peer review report publicly available. The report is posted on our website at [www.CLAconnect.com/Aboutus/](http://www.CLAconnect.com/Aboutus/).

### **Fees**

Our professional fee is \$44,900.00. We will also bill for expenses (including travel, report production, word processing, postage, internal and administrative charges, etc.) plus a technology and client support fee of five percent (5%) of all professional fees billed. This estimate is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and their assistance with locating requested documents and preparing requested schedules. If the requested items are not available on the dates required or are not accurate, the fees and expenses will likely be higher. Our invoices, including applicable state and local taxes, will be rendered as work progresses and are payable on presentation.

<b>Bill to be mailed on</b>	<b>Amount to be billed</b>
September 2026	\$14,900
October 2026	\$14,900
November 2026	\$14,900

**Unexpected circumstances**

We will advise you if unexpected circumstances require significant additional procedures resulting in a substantial increase in the fee estimate.

**Changes in accounting and audit standards**

Standard setters and regulators continue to evaluate and modify standards. Such changes may result in new or revised financial reporting and disclosure requirements or expand the nature, timing, and scope of the activities we are required to perform. To the extent that the amount of time required to provide the services described in the SOW increases due to such changes, our fee may need to be adjusted. We will discuss such circumstances with you prior to performing the additional work.

**Agreement**

We appreciate the opportunity to provide the services described in this SOW related to the MSA. All terms and provisions of the MSA shall apply to these services. If you agree with the terms of this SOW, please sign below to indicate your acknowledgement and understanding of, and agreement with, this SOW.

Sincerely,

**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

**Response:**

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of Rocketship Education D.C., Public Charter School, Inc..

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*Derrick DeBruyne*

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Derrick DeBruyne, Principal

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CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

*Steven C. Johnson*

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Steve Johnson, Principal

SIGNED 2/11/2026, 1:02:05 PM PST

Client

Rocketship Education D.C., Public Charter School, Inc.

SIGN:

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Benjamin Carson, CFO

DATE:

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January 20, 2026

***Statement of Work - Audit Services - Special Purpose Framework***

This agreement constitutes a statement of work ("SOW") under the master service agreement ("MSA") dated February 17, 2023, or superseding MSA, made by and between CliftonLarsonAllen LLP ("CLA," "we," "us," and "our") and Rocketship Tennessee c/o Rocketship Education ("you," "your," or "the entity"). We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the terms and objectives of our engagement and the nature and limitations of the services CLA will provide for the entity as of and for the year ended June 30, 2026.

Jeffrey Peek is responsible for the performance of the audit engagement.

**Scope of audit services**

We will audit the financial statements of Rocketship Tennessee c/o Rocketship Education, which comprise the financial statements identified below, and the related notes to the financial statements (collectively, the "financial statements") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2026.

The combined and individual school balance sheets - regulatory basis of Rocketship Tennessee's Internal School Funds, as of June 30, 2025, and the related combined and individual school statements of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances - regulatory basis for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise Rocketship Tennessee's Internal School Funds' basic financial statements.

**Nonaudit services**

We will also provide the following nonaudit services:

- Preparation of your financial statements and the related notes.

**Audit objectives**

The objectives of our audit are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion about whether your financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the regulatory basis of accounting, which is a basis of accounting other than accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). The effects on the financial statements of the variances between the regulatory basis of accounting and U.S. GAAP, although not reasonably determinable, are presumed to be material. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAS) will

always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS. Those standards require us to be independent of the entity and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. Our audit will include tests of your accounting records and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such an opinion.

We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of your financial statements.

Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinion, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph to our auditors' report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinion is other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If circumstances occur related to the condition of your records, the availability of sufficient, appropriate audit evidence, or the existence of a significant risk of material misstatement of the financial statements caused by error, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets, which in our professional judgment prevent us from completing the audit or forming an opinion on the financial statements, we retain the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express an opinion or issue a report, or withdrawing from the engagement.

It is our understanding that our auditors' report will be included in your annual report which is comprised of the schedule of fidelity bond coverage and the roster of officials and that your annual report will be issued by the same date as the basic financial statements. Our responsibility for other information included in your annual report does not extend beyond the financial information identified in our opinion on the financial statements. We have no responsibility for determining whether such other information is properly stated and do not have an obligation to perform any procedures to corroborate other information contained in your annual report. We are required by professional standards to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the financial statements because the credibility of the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon may be undermined by material inconsistencies between the audited financial statements and other information. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

### **Auditor responsibilities, procedures, and limitations**

We will conduct our audit in accordance with U.S. GAAS.

Those standards require that we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the planning and performance of the audit. As part of our audit, we will:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material

misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of the entity and its environment, including the system of internal control, relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the amounts and disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Conclude, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Although our audit planning has not been concluded and modifications may be made, we have identified the following significant risk(s) of material misstatement as part of our audit planning:

- Management override of internal controls

There is an unavoidable risk, because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, that some material misstatements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. GAAS. Because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, material misstatements, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity, may not be detected.

In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any material errors, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential.

### **Management responsibilities**

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with the regulatory basis of accounting. Management's responsibilities include the selection and application of accounting principles; recording and reflecting all transactions in the financial statements; determining the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates included in the financial statements; adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements; and confirming to us in the

management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Management is responsible for including all informative disclosures that are appropriate for the regulatory basis of accounting. Those disclosures will include (a) a description of the regulatory basis of accounting, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and how the of regulatory basis of accounting differs from U.S. GAAP; (b) informative disclosures similar to those required by U.S. GAAP; and (c) additional disclosures beyond those specifically required that may be necessary for the financial statements to achieve fair presentation.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, including monitoring ongoing activities and safeguarding assets. You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls to prevent and detect fraud; assessing the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud; and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity received in communications from employees, former employees, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with applicable laws and regulations, and informing us of all instances of identified or suspected noncompliance whose effects on the financial statements should be considered.

You are responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, including amounts and disclosures, such as records, documentation, identification of all related parties and all related-party relationships and transactions, and other matters, and for the accuracy and completeness of that information (including information from within and outside of the general and subsidiary ledgers); (2) additional information that we may request for the purpose of the audit; and (3) unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

You agree to inform us of events occurring or facts discovered subsequent to the date of the financial statements that may affect the financial statements.

Management is responsible for the preparation of other information included in your annual report. You agree to provide the final version of such information to us in a timely manner, and if possible, prior to the date of our auditors' report. If the other information included in your annual report will not be available until after the date of our auditors' report on the financial statements, you agree to provide written representations indicating that (1) the information is consistent with the financial statements, (2) the other information does not contain material misstatements, and (3) the final version of the documents will be provided to us when available, and prior to issuance of the annual report by the entity, so that we can complete the procedures required by professional standards. Management agrees to correct material inconsistencies that we may identify. You agree to include our auditors' report in any document containing financial statements that indicates that such financial statements have been audited by us.

Management is responsible for providing us with a written confirmation concerning representations made by you and your staff to us in connection with the audit. During our engagement, we will request information and explanations from you regarding, among other matters, the entity's operations, internal control, future plans, specific transactions, and accounting systems and procedures. The procedures we will perform during our engagement and the conclusions we reach as a basis for our report will be heavily influenced by the representations that we receive in the representation letter and otherwise from you. Accordingly, inaccurate, incomplete, or false representations could cause us to expend unnecessary effort or could cause a material fraud or error to go undetected by our procedures. In view of the foregoing, you agree that we shall not be responsible for any misstatements in the entity's financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of misrepresentations made to us by you.

### **Responsibilities and limitations related to nonattest services**

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### **Use of financial statements**

Should you decide to include or incorporate by reference these financial statements and our auditors' report(s) thereon in a future private placement or other offering of equity or debt securities, you agree that we are under no obligation to re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report in such a registration or offering document. We will determine, at our sole discretion, whether we will re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report only after we have performed the procedures we consider necessary in the circumstances. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, we will be required to perform certain procedures including, but not limited to, (a) reading other information incorporated by reference in the registration statement or other offering document and (b) subsequent event procedures. These procedures will be considered an engagement separate and distinct from our audit engagement, and we will bill you separately. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, you agree that we will be included on each distribution of draft offering materials and we will receive a complete set of final documents. If we decide not to re-issue our report or decide to withhold our consent to the use of our report, you may be required to engage another firm to audit periods covered by our audit reports, and that firm will likely bill you for its services. While the successor auditor may request access to our workpapers for those periods, we are under no obligation to permit such access.

If the parties (i.e., you and CLA) agree that CLA will not be involved with your official statements related to municipal securities filings or other offering documents, we will require that any official statements or other offering documents issued by you with which we are not involved clearly indicate that CLA is not involved with the contents of such documents. Such disclosure should read as follows:

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, our independent auditor, has not been engaged to perform and has not performed, since the date of its report included herein, any procedures on the financial statements addressed in that report. CliftonLarsonAllen LLP also has not performed any procedures relating to

this offering document.

With regard to the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website or submitted on a regulator website, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in those sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document.

### **Engagement administration and other matters**

We understand that your employees will prepare all confirmations, account analyses, and audit schedules we request and will locate any documents or invoices selected by us for testing. A list of information we expect to need for our audit and the dates required will be provided in a separate communication.

Professional standards require us to be independent with respect to you in the performance of these services. Any discussion that you have with our personnel regarding potential employment with you could impair our independence with respect to this engagement. Therefore, we request that you inform us prior to any such discussions so that we can implement appropriate safeguards to maintain our independence and objectivity. Further, any employment offers to any staff members working on this engagement without our prior knowledge may require substantial additional procedures to ensure our independence. You will be responsible for any additional costs incurred to perform these procedures.

Our audit engagement ends on delivery of our signed report. Any additional services that might be requested will be a separate, new engagement. The terms and conditions of that new engagement will be governed by a new, specific SOW for that service.

### **Fees**

Our professional fee is \$8,820.00. We will also bill for expenses (including travel, report production, word processing, postage, internal and administrative charges, etc.) plus a technology and client support fee of five percent (5%) of all professional fees billed. This estimate is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and their assistance with locating requested documents and preparing requested schedules. If the requested items are not available on the dates required or are not accurate, the fees and expenses will likely be higher. Our invoices, including applicable state and local taxes, will be rendered as work progresses and are payable on presentation.

Audit of financial statements	\$8,400.00
Technology and client support fee 5%	\$420.00
Total	\$8,820.00

### **Bill to be mailed on**

Upon execution of the SOW  
Upon commencement of substantive procedures  
Issuance of draft reports

### **Amount to be billed**

One-third of our professional fees  
One-third of our professional fees  
One-third of our professional fees

**Unexpected circumstances**

We will advise you if unexpected circumstances require significant additional procedures resulting in a substantial increase in the fee estimate.

**Changes in accounting and audit standards**

Standard setters and regulators continue to evaluate and modify standards. Such changes may result in new or revised financial reporting and disclosure requirements or expand the nature, timing, and scope of the activities we are required to perform. To the extent that the amount of time required to provide the services described in the SOW increases due to such changes, our fee may need to be adjusted. We will discuss such circumstances with you prior to performing the additional work.

**Agreement**

We appreciate the opportunity to provide the services described in this SOW related to the MSA. All terms and provisions of the MSA shall apply to these services. If you agree with the terms of this SOW, please sign below to indicate your acknowledgement and understanding of, and agreement with, this SOW.

Sincerely,

**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

**Response:**

This SOW correctly sets forth the understanding of Rocketship Tennessee c/o Rocketship Education.

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*Jeffrey Peek*

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Jeffrey Peek, Principal

SIGNED 2/11/2026, 11:50:28 AM PST

**Client**

Rocketship Tennessee c/o Rocketship Education

SIGN:

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Benjamin Carson

DATE:

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February 12, 2026

### ***Statement of Work - Audit Services***

This agreement constitutes a statement of work ("SOW") under the master service agreement ("MSA") dated February 17, 2023, or superseding MSA, made by and between CliftonLarsonAllen LLP ("CLA," "we," "us," and "our") and Rocketship Delta Prep c/o Rocketship Education ("you," "your," or "the entity"). We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the terms and objectives of our engagement and the nature and limitations of the services CLA will provide for the entity as of and for the year ended June 30, 2026.

Derrick DeBruyne is responsible for the performance of the audit engagement. Per Education Code Section 41020(f)(2), there is a limit of six consecutive years for any firm where the principal of the audit and the reviewing principal have been the same in each of those years. This is the fifth consecutive year Derrick DeBruyne will be the engagement principal.

#### **Scope of audit services**

We will audit the financial statements of Rocketship Delta Prep c/o Rocketship Education, which comprise the financial statements identified below, and the related notes to the financial statements (collectively, the "financial statements") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2026.

The statement of financial position and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

The statement of financial position and the related statements of activities, functional expenses, and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

We will also evaluate and report on the presentation of the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

#### **Nonaudit services**

We will also provide the following nonaudit services:

- Preparation of your financial statements and the related notes.
- Preparation of the supplementary information.
- Preparation of adjusting journal entries, as needed.

#### **Audit objectives**

The objectives of our audit of the financial statements are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion about whether your financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAS) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States and the 2025-2026 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting, published by the Education Audit Appeals Panel (State Audit Guide). Those standards require us to be independent of the entity and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. Our audit will include tests of your accounting records and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such an opinions.

We will also perform procedures to enable us to express an opinion on whether the supplementary information (as identified above) accompanying the financial statements is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of your financial statements.

We will provide an opinion (or disclaimer of opinion) on compliance with requirements described in the 2025-26 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting, published by the Education Audit Appeals Panel. The State Compliance report will include a paragraph that states that the purpose of the report over compliance is to express an opinion on compliance with the types of requirements described in the 2025-26 Guide for Annual Audits of K-12 Local Education Agencies and State Compliance Reporting; however, that the audit does not provide a legal determination of the entity's compliance.

The state compliance report on internal control over compliance will include a paragraph that states that the purpose of the report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the State Audit Guide.

Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinion, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph to our auditors' report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinion is other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If circumstances occur related to the condition of your records, the availability of sufficient, appropriate audit evidence, or the existence of a significant risk of material misstatement of the financial statements caused by error, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets, which in our

professional judgment prevent us from completing the audit or forming an opinion on the financial statements, we retain the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express an opinion or issue a report, or withdrawing from the engagement.

We will also provide a report (which does not include an opinion) on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the financial statements, as required by *Government Auditing Standards*. The report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters will include a paragraph that states (1) that the purpose of the report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance, and (2) that the report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. The paragraph will also state that the report is not suitable for any other purpose. If during our audit we become aware that the entity is subject to an audit requirement that is not encompassed in the terms of this engagement, we will communicate to management and those charged with governance that an audit conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* may not satisfy the relevant legal, regulatory, or contractual requirements.

It is our understanding that our auditors' report will be included in your annual report which is comprised of Local Education Agency Organization Structure and that your annual report will be issued concurrent with the financial statement audit. Our responsibility for other information included in your annual report does not extend beyond the financial information identified in our opinion on the financial statements. We have no responsibility for determining whether such other information is properly stated and do not have an obligation to perform any procedures to corroborate other information contained in your annual report. We are required by professional standards to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the financial statements because the credibility of the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon may be undermined by material inconsistencies between the audited financial statements and other information. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

### **Auditor responsibilities, procedures, and limitations**

We will conduct our audit in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* and the State Audit Guide.

Those standards require that we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the planning and performance of the audit. As part of our audit, we will:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and evaluate whether audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.

- Obtain an understanding of the entity and its environment, including the system of internal control, relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the amounts and disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Conclude, based on our evaluation of audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Although our audit planning has not been concluded and modifications may be made, we have identified the following significant risk(s) of material misstatement as part of our audit planning:

- Management Override of Controls
- Revenue Recognition

There is an unavoidable risk, because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, that some material misstatements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the State Audit Guide. Because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, material misstatements, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity, may not be detected. Because the determination of waste and abuse is subjective, *Government Auditing Standards* do not require auditors to perform specific procedures to detect waste or abuse in financial audits nor do they expect auditors to provide reasonable assurance of detecting waste or abuse.

In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any material errors, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential.

Tests of controls may be performed to test the effectiveness of certain controls that we consider relevant to preventing and detecting fraud or errors that are material to the financial statements and to preventing and detecting misstatements resulting from noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. Our tests, if performed, will be less

in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on internal control and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*. An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses in internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we identify during the audit that are required to be communicated under AICPA professional standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the State Audit Guide.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of the entity's compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. However, the objective of our audit will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion in our report on compliance issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

We will include in our report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance relevant information about any identified or suspected instances of fraud and any identified or suspected noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements that may have occurred that are required to be communicated under *Government Auditing Standards*.

The California Department of Education and State Controller's Office requires that we also plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the auditee has complied with state statutes and regulations. Our procedures will consist of tests of transactions and other applicable procedures described in the State Audit Guide for the types of compliance requirements applicable to the entity. The purpose of these procedures will be to express an opinion on the entity's compliance with requirements applicable to the State Audit Guide.

Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

### **Management responsibilities**

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that you (management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance) acknowledge and understand that you have certain responsibilities that are fundamental to the conduct of an audit.

You are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Management's responsibilities include the selection and application of accounting principles; recording and reflecting all transactions in the financial statements; determining the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates included in the financial statements; adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements; and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there

are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is responsible for compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements, including compliance with state statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of state awards applicable to the entity's state programs. Your responsibilities also include identifying significant contractor relationships in which the contractor has responsibility for state compliance and for the accuracy and completeness of that information.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, including evaluating and monitoring ongoing activities and safeguarding assets to help ensure that appropriate goals and objectives are met. You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls to prevent and detect fraud; assessing the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud; and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity received in communications from employees, former employees, grantors, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for implementing systems designed to achieve compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements; identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements; and informing us of all instances of identified or suspected noncompliance whose effects on the financial statements should be considered. You are responsible for taking timely and appropriate steps to remedy any fraud and noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, grant agreements, and State Audit Guide that we may report.

You are responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, including amounts and disclosures, such as records, documentation, identification of all related parties and all related-party relationships and transactions, and other matters, and for the accuracy and completeness of that information (including information from within and outside of the general and subsidiary ledgers); (2) access to personnel, accounts, books, records, supporting documentation, and other information as needed to perform an audit under the State Audit Guide; and (3) unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

You agree to inform us of events occurring or facts discovered subsequent to the date of the financial statements that may affect the financial statements.

Management is responsible for the preparation of the supplementary information in accordance with U.S. GAAP. You agree to include our report on the supplementary information in any document that contains, and indicates that we have reported on, the supplementary information. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the supplementary information that includes our report thereon or make the audited financial statements readily available to users of the supplementary information no later than the date the supplementary information is issued with our report thereon. You

agree to provide us written representations related to the presentation of the supplementary information.

Management is responsible for the preparation of other information included in your annual report. You agree to provide the final version of such information to us in a timely manner, and if possible, prior to the date of our auditors' report. If the other information included in your annual report will not be available until after the date of our auditors' report on the financial statements, you agree to provide written representations indicating that (1) the information is consistent with the financial statements, (2) the other information does not contain material misstatements, and (3) the final version of the documents will be provided to us when available, and prior to issuance of the annual report by the entity, so that we can complete the procedures required by professional standards. Management agrees to correct material inconsistencies that we may identify. You agree to include our auditors' report in any document containing financial statements that indicates that such financial statements have been audited by us.

Management is responsible for providing us with a written confirmation concerning representations made by you and your staff to us in connection with the audit. During our engagement, we will request information and explanations from you regarding, among other matters, the entity's operations, internal control, future plans, specific transactions, and accounting systems and procedures. The procedures we will perform during our engagement and the conclusions we reach as a basis for our report will be heavily influenced by the representations that we receive in the representation letter and otherwise from you. Accordingly, inaccurate, incomplete, or false representations could cause us to expend unnecessary effort or could cause a material fraud or error to go undetected by our procedures. In view of the foregoing, you agree that we shall not be responsible for any misstatements in the entity's financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of misrepresentations made to us by you.

Management is responsible for establishing and maintaining a process for tracking the status of audit findings and recommendations. Management is also responsible for identifying and providing report copies to us of previous financial audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other studies related to the objectives discussed in the "Audit objectives" section of this letter. This responsibility includes relaying to us corrective actions taken to address significant findings and recommendations resulting from those audits, attestation engagements, performance audits, or other engagements or studies. You are also responsible for providing management's views on our current findings, conclusions, and recommendations, as well as your planned corrective actions for the report, and for the timing and format for providing that information.

### **Responsibilities and limitations related to nonaudit services**

For all nonaudit services we may provide to you, management agrees to assume all management responsibilities; oversee the services by designating an individual, preferably within senior management, who possesses suitable skill, knowledge, and/or experience to understand and oversee the services; evaluate the adequacy and results of the services; and accept responsibility for the results of the services. Management is also responsible for ensuring that your data and records are complete and that you have received sufficient information to oversee the services.

### **Use of financial statements**

Should you decide to include or incorporate by reference these financial statements and our auditors' report(s) thereon in a future private placement or other offering of equity or debt securities, you agree that

we are under no obligation to re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report in such a registration or offering document. We will determine, at our sole discretion, whether we will re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report only after we have performed the procedures we consider necessary in the circumstances. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, we will be required to perform certain procedures including, but not limited to, (a) reading other information incorporated by reference in the registration statement or other offering document and (b) subsequent event procedures. These procedures will be considered an engagement separate and distinct from our audit engagement, and we will bill you separately. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, you agree that we will be included on each distribution of draft offering materials and we will receive a complete set of final documents. If we decide not to re-issue our report or decide to withhold our consent to the use of our report, you may be required to engage another firm to audit periods covered by our audit reports, and that firm will likely bill you for its services. While the successor auditor may request access to our workpapers for those periods, we are under no obligation to permit such access.

If the parties (i.e., you and CLA) agree that CLA will not be involved with your official statements related to municipal securities filings or other offering documents, we will require that any official statements or other offering documents issued by you with which we are not involved clearly indicate that CLA is not involved with the contents of such documents. Such disclosure should read as follows:

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, our independent auditor, has not been engaged to perform and has not performed, since the date of its report included herein, any procedures on the financial statements addressed in that report. CliftonLarsonAllen LLP also has not performed any procedures relating to this offering document.

With regard to the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website or submitted on a regulator website, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the information contained in those sites or to consider the consistency of other information in the electronic site with the original document.

We may issue preliminary draft financial statements to you for your review. Any preliminary draft financial statements should not be relied on or distributed.

### **Engagement administration and other matters**

We expect to begin our audit on approximately April 1, 2026.

We understand that your employees will prepare all confirmations, account analyses, and audit schedules we request and will locate any documents or invoices selected by us for testing. A list of information we expect to need for our audit and the dates required will be provided in a separate communication.

We will provide copies of our reports to the entity; however, management is responsible for distribution of the reports and the financial statements. Unless restricted by law or regulation, or containing confidential or sensitive information, copies of our reports are to be made available for public inspection.

The audit documentation for this engagement is the property of CLA and constitutes confidential information. However, we may be requested to make certain audit documentation available to regulatory bodies pursuant to authority given to it by law or regulation. If requested, access to such audit documentation will be provided under the supervision of CLA's personnel. Furthermore, upon request, we may provide copies of selected audit documentation to those regulators. The regulators may intend, or decide, to distribute the copies of information contained therein to others, including other governmental agencies.

The audit documentation for this engagement will be retained for a minimum of seven years after the report release date or for any additional period requested by a regulator. If we are aware that a federal or state awarding agency, pass-through entity, or auditee is contesting an audit finding, we will contact the party(ies) contesting the audit finding for guidance prior to destroying the audit documentation.

Professional standards require us to be independent with respect to you in the performance of these services. Any discussion that you have with our personnel regarding potential employment with you could impair our independence with respect to this engagement. Therefore, we request that you inform us prior to any such discussions so that we can implement appropriate safeguards to maintain our independence and objectivity. Further, any employment offers to any staff members working on this engagement without our prior knowledge may require substantial additional procedures to ensure our independence. You will be responsible for any additional costs incurred to perform these procedures.

Our audit engagement ends on delivery of our signed report. Any additional services that might be requested will be a separate, new engagement. The terms and conditions of that new engagement will be governed by a new, specific SOW for that service.

*Government Auditing Standards* require that we make our most recent external peer review report publicly available. The report is posted on our website at [www.CLAconnect.com/Aboutus/](http://www.CLAconnect.com/Aboutus/).

**Fees**

Our professional fee is \$7,100.00. We will also bill for expenses (including travel, report production, word processing, postage, internal and administrative charges, etc.) plus a technology and client support fee of five percent (5%) of all professional fees billed. This estimate is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and their assistance with locating requested documents and preparing requested schedules. If the requested items are not available on the dates required or are not accurate, the fees and expenses will likely be higher. Our invoices, including applicable state and local taxes, will be rendered as work progresses and are payable on presentation.

There is a ten percent withholding clause per Education Code 14505.

**Bill to be mailed on**

April 2026  
September 2026  
November 2026

**Amount to be billed**

One-third of our professional fees  
One-third of our professional fees  
One-third of our professional fees

Estimated fees based on the 2025-26 State Audit Guide dated July 1, 2025.

**Unexpected circumstances**

We will advise you if unexpected circumstances require significant additional procedures resulting in a substantial increase in the fee estimate.

**Changes in accounting and audit standards**

Standard setters and regulators continue to evaluate and modify standards. Such changes may result in new or revised financial reporting and disclosure requirements or expand the nature, timing, and scope of the activities we are required to perform. To the extent that the amount of time required to provide the services described in the SOW increases due to such changes, our fee may need to be adjusted. We will discuss such circumstances with you prior to performing the additional work.

**Agreement**

We appreciate the opportunity to provide the services described in this SOW related to the MSA. All terms and provisions of the MSA shall apply to these services. If you agree with the terms of this SOW, please sign below to indicate your acknowledgement and understanding of, and agreement with, this SOW.

Sincerely,

**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

**Response:**

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of Rocketship Delta Prep c/o Rocketship Education .

**CLA**  
CLA

**Client**  
Rocketship Delta Prep c/o Rocketship Education

SIGN: \_\_\_\_\_  
Derrick DeBruyne, Principal

SIGN: \_\_\_\_\_  
Benjamin Carson

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_



January 22, 2026

### ***Statement of Work - Audit Services***

This agreement constitutes a statement of work ("SOW") under the master service agreement ("MSA") dated February 17, 2023, or superseding MSA, made by and between CliftonLarsonAllen LLP ("CLA," "we," "us," and "our") and Rocketship Tennessee c/o Rocketship Education ("you," "your," or "the entity"). We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the terms and objectives of our engagement and the nature and limitations of the services CLA will provide for the entity as of and for the year ended June 30, 2026.

Jeffrey Peek is responsible for the performance of the audit engagement.

#### **Scope of audit services**

We will audit the financial statements of the governmental activities and the general fund, which collectively comprise the basic financial statements of Rocketship Tennessee c/o Rocketship Education, and the related notes to the financial statements as of and for the year ended June 30, 2026.

The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) provides for certain required supplementary information (RSI) to accompany the entity's basic financial statements.

The RSI will be subjected to certain limited procedures, but will not be audited.

We will also evaluate and report on the presentation of the supplementary information other than RSI accompanying the financial statements in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

#### **Nonaudit services**

We will also provide the following nonaudit services:

- Preparation of your financial statements and the related notes.
- Preparation of the required supplementary information (RSI).
- Preparation of the supplementary information.
- Preparation of GASB 68 accounting entries.

#### **Audit objectives**

The objectives of our audit of the financial statements are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to

issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion about whether your financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAS) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require us to be independent of the entity and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. Our audit will include tests of your accounting records and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such an opinions.

We will apply certain limited procedures to the RSI in accordance with U.S. GAAS. However, we will not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the RSI because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance. We will also perform procedures to enable us to express an opinion on whether the supplementary information (as identified above) other than RSI accompanying the financial statements is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of your financial statements.

Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinions, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph to our auditors' report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinions are other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If circumstances occur related to the condition of your records, the availability of sufficient, appropriate audit evidence, or the existence of a significant risk of material misstatement of the financial statements caused by error, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets, which in our professional judgment prevent us from completing the audit or forming opinions on the financial statements, we retain the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express opinions or issue a report, or withdrawing from the engagement.

We will also provide a report (which does not include an opinion) on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the financial statements, as required by *Government Auditing Standards*. The report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters will include a paragraph that states (1) that the purpose of the report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance, and (2) that the report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. The paragraph will also state that the report is not suitable for any other purpose. If during our audit we become aware that the entity is subject to an audit

requirement that is not encompassed in the terms of this engagement, we will communicate to management and those charged with governance that an audit conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* may not satisfy the relevant legal, regulatory, or contractual requirements.

It is our understanding that our auditors' report will be included in your annual report which is comprised of list of board of directors and administrators and that your annual report will be issued by the same date as the basic financial statements. Our responsibility for other information included in your annual report does not extend beyond the financial information identified in our opinion on the financial statements. We have no responsibility for determining whether such other information is properly stated and do not have an obligation to perform any procedures to corroborate other information contained in your annual report. We are required by professional standards to read the other information and consider whether a material inconsistency exists between the other information and the financial statements because the credibility of the financial statements and our auditors' report thereon may be undermined by material inconsistencies between the audited financial statements and other information. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that an uncorrected material misstatement of the other information exists, we are required to describe it in our report.

### **Auditor responsibilities, procedures, and limitations**

We will conduct our audit in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*.

Those standards require that we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the planning and performance of the audit. As part of our audit, we will:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and evaluate whether audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of the entity and its environment, including the system of internal control, relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the amounts and disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.
- Conclude, based on our evaluation of audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going

concern for a reasonable period of time.

Although our audit planning has not been concluded and modifications may be made, we have identified the following significant risk(s) of material misstatement as part of our audit planning:

- Management override of internal controls
- Nonexchange Revenue recognition related to cutoff

There is an unavoidable risk, because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, that some material misstatements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*. Because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, material misstatements, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity, may not be detected. Because the determination of waste and abuse is subjective, *Government Auditing Standards* do not require auditors to perform specific procedures to detect waste or abuse in financial audits nor do they expect auditors to provide reasonable assurance of detecting waste or abuse.

In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any material errors, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential.

Tests of controls may be performed to test the effectiveness of certain controls that we consider relevant to preventing and detecting fraud or errors that are material to the financial statements and to preventing and detecting misstatements resulting from noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. Our tests, if performed, will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on internal control and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*. An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses in internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we identify during the audit that are required to be communicated under AICPA professional standards and *Government Auditing Standards*.

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement, we will perform tests of the entity's compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. However, the objective of our audit will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion in our report on compliance issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards*.

We will include in our report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance relevant information about any identified or suspected instances of fraud and any identified or suspected noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements that may have occurred that are required to be communicated under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

### **Management responsibilities**

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that you (management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance) acknowledge and understand that you have certain responsibilities that are fundamental to the conduct of an audit.

You are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements and RSI in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Management's responsibilities include the selection and application of accounting principles; recording and reflecting all transactions in the financial statements; determining the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates included in the financial statements; adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements; and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for 12 months beyond the financial statement date.

You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of effective internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, including evaluating and monitoring ongoing activities and safeguarding assets to help ensure that appropriate goals and objectives are met. You are responsible for the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal controls to prevent and detect fraud; assessing the risk that the financial statements may be materially misstated as a result of fraud; and for informing us about all known or suspected fraud affecting the entity involving (1) management, (2) employees who have significant roles in internal control, and (3) others where the fraud could have a material effect on the financial statements. Your responsibilities include informing us of your knowledge of any allegations of fraud or suspected fraud affecting the entity received in communications from employees, former employees, grantors, regulators, or others. In addition, you are responsible for implementing systems designed to achieve compliance with applicable laws and regulations and the provisions of contracts and grant agreements; identifying and ensuring that the entity complies with applicable laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements; and informing us of all instances of identified or suspected noncompliance whose effects on the financial statements should be considered. You are responsible for taking timely and appropriate steps to remedy any fraud and noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that we may report.

You are responsible for providing us with (1) access to all information of which you are aware that is relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements, including amounts and disclosures, such as records, documentation, identification of all related parties and all related-party relationships and transactions, and other matters, and for the accuracy and completeness of that information (including information from within and outside of the general and subsidiary ledgers); (2) additional information that we may request for the purpose of the audit; and (3) unrestricted access to persons within the entity from whom we determine it necessary to obtain audit evidence.

You agree to inform us of events occurring or facts discovered subsequent to the date of the financial statements that may affect the financial statements.

Management is responsible for the preparation of the supplementary information in accordance with U.S. GAAP. You agree to include our report on the supplementary information in any document that contains, and indicates that we have reported on, the supplementary information. You also agree to include the audited financial statements with any presentation of the supplementary information that includes our report thereon or make the audited financial statements readily available to users of the supplementary information no later than the date the supplementary information is issued with our report thereon. You agree to provide us written representations related to the presentation of the supplementary information.

Management is responsible for the preparation of other information included in your annual report. You agree to provide the final version of such information to us in a timely manner, and if possible, prior to the date of our auditors' report. If the other information included in your annual report will not be available until after the date of our auditors' report on the financial statements, you agree to provide written representations indicating that (1) the information is consistent with the financial statements, (2) the other information does not contain material misstatements, and (3) the final version of the documents will be provided to us when available, and prior to issuance of the annual report by the entity, so that we can complete the procedures required by professional standards. Management agrees to correct material inconsistencies that we may identify. You agree to include our auditors' report in any document containing financial statements that indicates that such financial statements have been audited by us.

Management is responsible for providing us with a written confirmation concerning representations made by you and your staff to us in connection with the audit and the presentation of the basic financial statements and RSI. During our engagement, we will request information and explanations from you regarding, among other matters, the entity's activities, internal control, future plans, specific transactions, and accounting systems and procedures. The procedures we will perform during our engagement and the conclusions we reach as a basis for our report will be heavily influenced by the representations that we receive in the representation letter and otherwise from you. Accordingly, inaccurate, incomplete, or false representations could cause us to expend unnecessary effort or could cause a material fraud or error to go undetected by our procedures. In view of the foregoing, you agree that we shall not be responsible for any misstatements in the entity's financial statements that we may fail to detect as a result of misrepresentations made to us by you.

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Should you decide to include or incorporate by reference these financial statements and our auditors' report(s) thereon in a future private placement or other offering of equity or debt securities, you agree that we are under no obligation to re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report in such a registration or offering document. We will determine, at our sole discretion, whether we will re-issue our report or provide consent for the use of our report only after we have performed the procedures we consider necessary in the circumstances. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, we will be required to perform certain procedures including, but not limited to, (a) reading other information incorporated by reference in the registration statement or other offering document and (b) subsequent event procedures. These procedures will be considered an engagement separate and distinct from our audit engagement, and we will bill you separately. If we decide to re-issue our report or consent to the use of our report, you agree that we will be included on each distribution of draft offering materials and we will receive a complete set of final documents. If we decide not to re-issue our report or decide to withhold our consent to the use of our report, you may be required to engage another firm to audit periods covered by our audit reports, and that firm will likely bill you for its services. While the successor auditor may request access to our workpapers for those periods, we are under no obligation to permit such access.

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CliftonLarsonAllen LLP, our independent auditor, has not been engaged to perform and has not performed, since the date of its report included herein, any procedures on the financial statements addressed in that report. CliftonLarsonAllen LLP also has not performed any procedures relating to this offering document.

With regard to the electronic dissemination of audited financial statements, including financial statements published electronically on your website or submitted on a regulator website, you understand that electronic sites are a means to distribute information and, therefore, we are not required to read the

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### **Fees**

Our professional fee is \$39,270.00. We will also bill for expenses (including travel, report production, word processing, postage, internal and administrative charges, etc.) plus a technology and client support fee of five percent (5%) of all professional fees billed. This estimate is based on anticipated cooperation from your personnel and their assistance with locating requested documents and preparing requested schedules. If the requested items are not available on the dates required or are not accurate, the fees and expenses will likely be higher. Our invoices, including applicable state and local taxes, will be rendered as work progresses and are payable on presentation.

Audit of financial statements	\$29,000.00
Internal School Funds Audit, if applicable	\$8,400.00
Technology and client support fee 5%	\$1,870.00
Total	\$39,270.00

<b>Bill to be mailed on</b>	<b>Amount to be billed</b>
Upon execution of the SOW	One-third of our professional fees
Upon the commencement of substantive procedures	One-third of our professional fees
Issuance of draft reports	One-third of our professional fees

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**Agreement**

We appreciate the opportunity to provide the services described in this SOW related to the MSA. All terms and provisions of the MSA shall apply to these services. If you agree with the terms of this SOW, please sign below to indicate your acknowledgement and understanding of, and agreement with, this SOW.

Sincerely,

**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

**Response:**

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of Rocketship Tennessee c/o Rocketship Education.

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*Jeffrey Peek*

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Jeffrey Peek, Principal

SIGNED 2/11/2026, 11:35:29 AM PST

**Client**

Rocketship Tennessee c/o Rocketship Education

SIGN:

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Benjamin Carson

DATE:

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February 11, 2026

### ***Statement of Work - Audit Services***

This agreement constitutes a statement of work ("SOW") under the master service agreement ("MSA") dated February 17, 2023, or superseding MSA, made by and between CliftonLarsonAllen LLP ("CLA," "we," "us," and "our") and Rocketship Education Wisconsin, Inc. ("you," "your," or "the entity"). We are pleased to confirm our understanding of the terms and objectives of our engagement and the nature and limitations of the services CLA will provide for the entity as of and for the year ended June 30, 2026.

Derrick DeBruyne is responsible for the services provided to you. He will be assisted by Steve Johnson, who is responsible for the performance of the audit engagement.

#### **Scope of audit services**

We will audit the financial statements of Rocketship Education Wisconsin, Inc., which comprise the financial statements identified below, and the related notes to the financial statements (collectively, the "financial statements") as of and for the year ended June 30, 2026.

Statement of Financial Position

Statement of Activities

Statement of Functional Expenses

Statement of Cash Flows

We will also evaluate and report on the presentation of the supplementary information accompanying the financial statements in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

#### **Nonaudit services**

We will also provide the following nonaudit services:

- Preparation of your financial statements and the related notes.
- Preparation of the supplementary information.
- Preparation of adjusting journal entries, as needed
- Preparation of the schedule of federal and state awards and the related notes

## **Audit objectives**

The objectives of our audit of the financial statements are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion about whether your financial statements are fairly presented, in all material respects, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP). Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAS) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements, including omissions, can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

Our audit will be conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS, the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, and the *Wisconsin 2r Charter School Audit Manual*, issued by the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction. Those standards require us to be independent of the entity and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. Our audit will include tests of your accounting records and other procedures we consider necessary to enable us to express such an opinions.

We will also perform procedures to enable us to express an opinion on whether the supplementary information (as identified above) accompanying the financial statements is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

We will issue a written report upon completion of our audit of your financial statements.

Circumstances may arise in which our report may differ from its expected form and content based on the results of our audit. Depending on the nature of these circumstances, it may be necessary for us to modify our opinion, add an emphasis-of-matter or other-matter paragraph to our auditors' report, or if necessary, withdraw from the engagement. If our opinion is other than unmodified, we will discuss the reasons with you in advance. If circumstances occur related to the condition of your records, the availability of sufficient, appropriate audit evidence, or the existence of a significant risk of material misstatement of the financial statements caused by error, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets, which in our professional judgment prevent us from completing the audit or forming an opinion on the financial statements, we retain the right to take any course of action permitted by professional standards, including declining to express an opinion or issue a report, or withdrawing from the engagement.

We will also provide a report (which does not include an opinion) on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance with the provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a material effect on the financial statements, as required by *Government Auditing Standards*. The report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance and other matters will include a paragraph that states (1) that the purpose of the report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control or on compliance, and (2) that the report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. The paragraph will also state that the report is not

suitable for any other purpose. If during our audit we become aware that the entity is subject to an audit requirement that is not encompassed in the terms of this engagement, we will communicate to management and those charged with governance that an audit conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* may not satisfy the relevant legal, regulatory, or contractual requirements.

We will also provide a report on compliance for each major program and on internal control over compliance, as required by the *Wisconsin 2r Charter School Audit Manual*. The report on compliance for each major program and internal control over compliance will include (1) an opinion on compliance with each major state program, (2) that the purpose of the report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control over compliance, and (3) that the report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with the *Wisconsin 2r Charter School Audit Manual* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. The paragraph will also state that the report is not suitable for any other purpose. If during our audit we become aware that the entity is subject to an audit requirement that is not encompassed in the terms of this engagement, we will communicate to management and those charged with governance that an audit conducted in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in the *Wisconsin 2r Charter School Audit Manual* may not satisfy the relevant legal, regulatory, or contractual requirements.

### **Auditor responsibilities, procedures, and limitations**

We will conduct our audit in accordance with U.S. GAAS and the standards for financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* and the *Wisconsin 2r Charter School Audit Manual*.

Those standards require that we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the planning and performance of the audit. As part of our audit, we will:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and evaluate whether audit evidence obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of the entity and its environment, including the system of internal control, relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing any significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we have identified during the audit.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements, including the amounts and disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

- Conclude, based on our evaluation of audit evidence obtained, whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Although our audit planning has not been concluded and modifications may be made, we have identified the following significant risk(s) of material misstatement as part of our audit planning:

- Management override of controls
- Improper revenue recognition

There is an unavoidable risk, because of the inherent limitations of an audit, together with the inherent limitations of internal control, that some material misstatements may not be detected, even though the audit is properly planned and performed in accordance with U.S. GAAS, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the *Wisconsin 2r Charter School Audit Manual*. Because we will not perform a detailed examination of all transactions, material misstatements, whether from (1) errors, (2) fraudulent financial reporting, (3) misappropriation of assets, or (4) violations of laws or governmental regulations that are attributable to the entity or to acts by management or employees acting on behalf of the entity, may not be detected. Because the determination of waste and abuse is subjective, *Government Auditing Standards* and the *Wisconsin 2r Charter School Audit Manual* do not require auditors to perform specific procedures to detect waste or abuse in financial audits nor do they expect auditors to provide reasonable assurance of detecting waste or abuse.

In addition, an audit is not designed to detect immaterial misstatements or violations of laws or governmental regulations that do not have a direct and material effect on the financial statements. However, we will inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any material errors, fraudulent financial reporting, or misappropriation of assets that come to our attention. We will also inform the appropriate level of management and those charged with governance of any violations of laws or governmental regulations that come to our attention, unless clearly inconsequential.

Tests of controls may be performed to test the effectiveness of certain controls that we consider relevant to preventing and detecting fraud or errors that are material to the financial statements and to preventing and detecting misstatements resulting from noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. Our tests, if performed, will be less in scope than would be necessary to render an opinion on internal control and, accordingly, no opinion will be expressed in our report on internal control issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards* and the *Wisconsin 2r Charter School Audit Manual*. An audit is not designed to provide assurance on internal control or to identify deficiencies, significant deficiencies, or material weaknesses in internal control. However, we will communicate to you in writing significant deficiencies or material weaknesses in internal control relevant to the audit of the financial statements that we identify during the audit that are required to be communicated under AICPA professional standards, *Government Auditing Standards*, and the *Wisconsin 2r Charter School Audit Manual*.

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contracts, and grant agreements that have a material effect on the financial statements. However, the objective of our audit will not be to provide an opinion on overall compliance and we will not express such an opinion in our report on compliance issued pursuant to *Government Auditing Standards* and the *Wisconsin 2r Charter School Audit Manual*.

We will include in our report on internal control over financial reporting and on compliance relevant information about any identified or suspected instances of fraud and any identified or suspected noncompliance with provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, or grant agreements that may have occurred that are required to be communicated under *Government Auditing Standards* and the *Wisconsin 2r Charter School Audit Manual*.

Our responsibility as auditors is limited to the period covered by our audit and does not extend to any later periods for which we are not engaged as auditors.

### **Management responsibilities**

Our audit will be conducted on the basis that you (management and, when appropriate, those charged with governance) acknowledge and understand that you have certain responsibilities that are fundamental to the conduct of an audit.

You are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP.

Management's responsibilities include the selection and application of accounting principles; recording and reflecting all transactions in the financial statements; determining the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates included in the financial statements; adjusting the financial statements to correct material misstatements; and confirming to us in the management representation letter that the effects of any uncorrected misstatements aggregated by us during the current engagement and pertaining to the latest period presented are immaterial, both individually and in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole. In preparing the financial statements, management is required to evaluate whether there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

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Sincerely,

**CliftonLarsonAllen LLP**

**Response:**

This letter correctly sets forth the understanding of Rocketship Education Wisconsin, Inc..

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*Derrick DeBruyne*

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Derrick DeBruyne, Principal

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CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

*Steven C. Johnson*

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Steve Johnson, Principal

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Client

Rocketship Education Wisconsin, Inc.

SIGN:

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Benjamin Carson, CFO

DATE:

# ROCKETSHIP PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**Executive Summary  
Rocketship Education  
Board of Directors  
March 11, 2026**

<b>Subject:</b> Review and approve IRS Form 990 for Rocketship Education for fiscal year ending 6/30/25	X	<b>OPEN/ACTION</b>
		<b>INFORMATION</b>
		<b>CONSENT</b>

**Recommendation(s):**

Staff members recommend that the Rocketship Education (“RSED”) Board of Directors (“RSED-Board”) approve IRS Form 990 for Rocketship Education for fiscal year ending 6/30/25.

The resolution allows RSED to stay compliant with IRS regulations and maintain our 501c3 status compliance. The 990s have been reviewed and recommended for approval by the Audit Committee. The 990s are due by May 15th annually and with this approval we are well ahead of the deadline.

**Background:**

Form 990 is an annual notice, and is the IRS's primary tool for gathering tax information about tax-exempt organizations, educating organizations about tax law requirements and promoting compliance. Organizations also use Form 990 to share information with the public about their programs. It is Rocketship’s practice that the board approve the 990 filings or delegate them to a committee. The submissions are due May 15, prior to the next board meeting. The audit committee met March 3rd, 2026 to review and approve 990 filings.

**Summary of Previous Board Action by Board:**

On March 5, 2025 the RSED-Board approved delegating authority to the Rocketship Audit Committee to approve the IRS Form 990 for year ending 6/30/24.

**Fiscal Impact:**

None

**Submitted by:**

Steven Hykes, Controller



January 26, 2026

Rocketship Education  
2001 GATEWAY PLACE 230E  
SAN JOSE, CA 95110

Rocketship Education:

Enclosed is the organization's 2024 Exempt Organization return.

Specific filing instructions are as follows.

### **FORM 990 RETURN:**

This return has qualified for electronic filing. After you have reviewed the return for completeness and accuracy, please sign, date and return Form 8879-TE to our office. We will transmit the return electronically to the IRS and no further action is required. Please return Form 8879-TE to us as soon as possible, but no later than by May 15, 2026 the filing deadline.

In addition, tax-exempt organizations must make available for public inspection a copy of their annual returns for the preceding three years and exemption application, if applicable. An organization generally must furnish filings to anyone who requests them in person or in writing. An exempt organization may meet this requirement by posting all the documents on its website or at another organizations site as part of a database of similar materials. Specific requirements must be met to meet this exception.

### **CALIFORNIA FORM 199 RETURN:**

The California Form 199 return has qualified for electronic filing. After you have reviewed your return for completeness and accuracy, please sign, date and return Form 8453-EO to our office. We will then transmit your return to the FTB. Do not mail the paper copy of the return to the FTB.

No payment is required.

### **A few final reminders relating to your tax return filings:**

- There are substantial penalties for failure to properly disclose and report foreign financial accounts and foreign activity. Please make sure you have informed us of any foreign financial accounts or foreign activity so that we have the necessary information to complete any required disclosures or filings.
- Be sure to review the returns prior to signing as you have final responsibility for all information included in the returns. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.
- We recommend you keep a paper or electronic copy of your tax returns permanently. Supporting documentation should be kept for a minimum of seven years based on IRS guidance.

CLA exists to create opportunities – for our clients, our people, and our communities. We value our relationship with you and thank you for your trust and confidence in allowing us to serve you. If we can assist you in making strategic, informed decisions in areas of tax or beyond, please contact us as questions arise throughout the year.

Sincerely,

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP

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**ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION**  
**FORM 990 INCOME TAX RETURN**  
**FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025**

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# IRS E-file Signature Authorization for a Tax Exempt Entity

OMB No. 1545-0047

Form **8879-TE**

For calendar year 2024, or fiscal year beginning JUL 1, 2024, and ending JUN 30, 2025

# 2024

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Do not send to the IRS. Keep for your records.

Go to [www.irs.gov/Form8879TE](http://www.irs.gov/Form8879TE) for the latest information.

Name of filer

**ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION**

EIN or SSN

**20-4040597**

Name and title of officer or person subject to tax **BENJAMIN CARSON  
CFO**

## Part I Type of Return and Return Information

Check the box for the return for which you are using this Form 8879-TE and enter the applicable amount, if any, from the return. Form 8038-CP and Form 5330 filers may enter dollars and cents. For all other forms, enter whole dollars only. If you check the box on line 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 6a, 7a, 8a, 9a, or 10a below, and the amount on that line for the return being filed with this form was blank, then leave line 1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b, 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, or 10b, whichever is applicable, blank (do not enter -0-). But, if you entered -0- on the return, then enter -0- on the applicable line below. Do not complete more than one line in Part I.

<b>1a</b> Form 990 check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total revenue, if any (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1b</b> <u>178,105,036.</u>
<b>2a</b> Form 990-EZ check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total revenue, if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9)	<b>2b</b> _____
<b>3a</b> Form 1120-POL check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22)	<b>3b</b> _____
<b>4a</b> Form 990-PF check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part V, line 5)	<b>4b</b> _____
<b>5a</b> Form 8868 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Balance due (Form 8868, line 3c)	<b>5b</b> _____
<b>6a</b> Form 990-T check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total tax (Form 990-T, Part III, line 4)	<b>6b</b> _____
<b>7a</b> Form 4720 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total tax (Form 4720, Part III, line 1)	<b>7b</b> _____
<b>8a</b> Form 5227 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> FMV of assets at end of tax year (Form 5227, Item D)	<b>8b</b> _____
<b>9a</b> Form 5330 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Tax due (Form 5330, Part II, line 19)	<b>9b</b> _____
<b>10a</b> Form 8038-CP check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Amount of credit payment requested (Form 8038-CP, Part III, line 22)	<b>10b</b> _____

## Part II Declaration and Signature Authorization of Officer or Person Subject to Tax

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that  I am an officer of the above entity or  I am a person subject to tax with respect to (name of entity) \_\_\_\_\_, (EIN) \_\_\_\_\_ and that I have examined a copy of the 2024 electronic return and accompanying schedules and statements, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amount in Part I above is the amount shown on the copy of the electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (c) the date of any refund. If applicable, I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the federal taxes owed on this return, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537 no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment. I have selected a personal identification number (PIN) as my signature for the electronic return and, if applicable, the consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

### PIN: check one box only

I authorize **CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP** to enter my PIN **22410**  
ERO firm name Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros

as my signature on the tax year 2024 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I also authorize the aforementioned ERO to enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

As an officer or person subject to tax with respect to the entity, I will enter my PIN as my signature on the tax year 2024 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I will enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

Signature of officer or person subject to tax

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Date

## Part III Certification and Authentication

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit electronic filing identification number (EFIN) followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN.

**3074245902**

Do not enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2024 electronically filed return indicated above. I confirm that I am submitting this return in accordance with the requirements of Pub. 4163, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns.

ERO's signature **DERRICK DEBRUYNE**

Date **01/26/26**

**ERO Must Retain This Form - See Instructions**

**Do Not Submit This Form to the IRS Unless Requested To Do So**

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

Form **8879-TE** (2024)

LHA 402521 12-26-24

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2024.05040 ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION

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Form **990**

# Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

OMB No. 1545-0047

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

Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.

# 2024

Open to Public Inspection

**A** For the **2024** calendar year, or tax year beginning **JUL 1, 2024** and ending **JUN 30, 2025**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization <b>ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION</b>		<b>D</b> Employer identification number <b>20-4040597</b>
	Doing business as		<b>E</b> Telephone number <b>877-806-0920</b>
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	
	<b>2001 GATEWAY PLACE</b>		<b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <b>178,105,036.</b>
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>SAN JOSE, CA 95110</b>		<b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for subordinates? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. See instructions
<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer: <b>BENJAMIN CARSON</b> <b>SAME AS C ABOVE</b>		<b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number	
<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527			
<b>J</b> Website: <b>HTTPS://WWW.ROCKETSHIPSCHOOLS.ORG</b>			
<b>K</b> Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other			<b>L</b> Year of formation: <b>2006</b>
			<b>M</b> State of legal domicile: <b>CA</b>

## Part I Summary

Activities & Governance	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <b>ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION IS A NATIONAL NON-PROFIT NETWORK OF PUBLIC ELEMENTARY CHARTER SCHOOLS</b>		
	<b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	<b>3</b>	<b>22</b>
	<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	<b>4</b>	<b>22</b>
	<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2024 (Part V, line 2a)	<b>5</b>	<b>1396</b>
	<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	<b>6</b>	<b>350</b>
	<b>7 a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	<b>7a</b>	<b>0.</b>
<b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	<b>7b</b>	<b>0.</b>	
Revenue	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Current Year</b>
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	<b>176,435,050.</b>	<b>169,609,170.</b>
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	<b>2,210,264.</b>	<b>2,537,397.</b>
	<b>12</b> Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>8,360,161.</b>	<b>5,958,469.</b>
		<b>187,005,475.</b>	<b>178,105,036.</b>
Expenses	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	<b>98,693,528.</b>	<b>102,172,607.</b>
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	<b>513,883.</b>	
	<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	<b>73,123,279.</b>	<b>73,887,958.</b>
<b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>171,816,807.</b>	<b>176,060,565.</b>	
<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	<b>15,188,668.</b>	<b>2,044,471.</b>	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)	<b>Beginning of Current Year</b>	<b>End of Year</b>
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	<b>271,375,549.</b>	<b>255,253,955.</b>
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	<b>187,943,541.</b>	<b>169,777,476.</b>
		<b>83,432,008.</b>	<b>85,476,479.</b>

## 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.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer		Date		
	<b>BENJAMIN CARSON, CFO</b> Type or print name and title				
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	PTIN
	<b>DERRICK DEBRUYNE</b>	<b>DERRICK DEBRUYNE</b>	<b>01/26/26</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>P00591016</b>
	Firm's name	Firm's EIN		Phone no. (909) 985-7286	
	<b>CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP</b>	<b>41-0746749</b>			
	Firm's address	<b>901 VIA PIEMONTE, SUITE 300</b> <b>ONTARIO, CA 91764</b>			

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions  Yes  No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III [X]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:
ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION IS A NATIONAL NON-PROFIT NETWORK OF PUBLIC ELEMENTARY CHARTER SCHOOLS SERVING LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES WITH LIMITED ACCESS TO EXCELLENT SCHOOLS. FOUNDED IN 2006, ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION IS A 501 (C)(3) NON-PROFIT CORPORATION WHOSE MISSION IS TO ELIMINATE THE

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 [X] 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 [X] 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 \$ 149,056,290. including grants of \$ 0. ) (Revenue \$ 5,933,778. )
ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION MANAGES, OPERATES, AND PROMOTES A NETWORK OF PUBLIC ELEMENTARY CHARTER SCHOOLS SERVING APPROXIMATELY 10,000 STUDENTS IN HIGH NEED COMMUNITIES. ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DIRECTLY OPERATES SCHOOLS IN CALIFORNIA AND TENNESSEE WITH APPROXIMATELY 7,600 STUDENTS.

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

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

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

4e Total program service expenses 149,056,290.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 21 regarding organizational requirements and schedules.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows 22-38. Includes questions about grants, compensation, tax-exempt bonds, excess benefit transactions, and noncash contributions.

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows 1a, 1b, 1c. Includes questions about Form 1096, Forms W-2G, and backup withholding rules.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No columns. Includes questions 2a through 17 regarding employee counts, tax returns, gross income, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, and charitable contributions.

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 on 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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a Enter the number of voting members... 22; 1b Enter the number of voting members included... 22; 2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship... X; 3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties... X; 4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents... X; 5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets... X; 6 Did the organization have members or stockholders... 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... X; 7b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body... X; 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following: a The governing body? X; b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? 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 on Schedule O... X

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? X; 10b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?; 11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? X; 11b Describe on 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 X; 12b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? X; 12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe on Schedule O how this was done X; 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? X; 14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? 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 X; b Other officers or key employees of the organization X; If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process on 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? X; 16b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed CA
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, 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 [X] Upon request [ ] Other (explain on Schedule O)
19 Describe on 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
BENJAMIN CARSON - (877)806-0920
2001 GATEWAY PLACE, 230E, SAN JOSE, CA 95110

**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 the 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, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) 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.
- See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

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 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/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(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) PRESTON SMITH CEO	40.00 10.00			X			317,893.	0.	59,582.	
(2) LAMAR WADE CHIEF PEOPLE OFFICER	40.00 0.00				X		313,116.	0.	31,415.	
(3) MARICELA GUERRERO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CALIFO	40.00 0.00				X		225,536.	0.	84,331.	
(4) MARIA HEREDIA CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER	40.00 0.00				X		274,824.	0.	30,450.	
(5) BENJAMIN CARSON CFO	40.00 15.00			X			273,284.	0.	15,159.	
(6) CHRISTOPHER MURPHY CHIEF COMMUNICATIONS OFFIC	40.00 0.00				X		230,575.	0.	45,871.	
(7) KERRY FLANAGAN NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF	40.00 0.00				X		249,124.	0.	0.	
(8) LOUIS JORDAN BOARD PRESIDENT	2.00 0.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(9) GREG STANGER BOARD SECRETARY	2.00 0.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(10) ALEX TERMAN BOARD TREASURER	2.00 0.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(11) DR. RAYMOND RAVEN DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(12) JOLENE SLOTER DIRECTOR	2.00 2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(13) CHARMAINE DETWEILER DIRECTOR	2.00 0.50	X					0.	0.	0.	
(14) DEBORAH MCGRUFF DIRECTOR	2.00 2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(15) MICHAEL FOX DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(16) DR. DANIEL VELASCO DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(17) YOLANDA BERNAL SAMANO DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	

**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 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/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(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			
(18) MALKA BORREGO DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(19) JULIE MILLER DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(20) HUGO CASTANEDA DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(21) MICHELLE MERCADO DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(22) RAJEN SHETH DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(23) DANIEL SANCHEZ DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(24) BRIAN KILB DIRECTOR	2.00 2.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(25) APRIL TAYLOR DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(26) JUNE NWABARA DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
<b>1b Subtotal</b>								1,884,352.	0.	266,808.
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b>								0.	0.	0.
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b>								1,884,352.	0.	266,808.

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 176

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	3	X
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual	4	X
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person	5	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
RLCL ACQUISITION, LLC 3009 DICKERSON PIKE, NASHVILLE, TN 37207	STUDENT TRANSPORTATION	1,300,122.
THE STEPPING STONES GROUP LLC, 2586 TRAILRIDGE DR., E STE 100, LAFAYETTE, CO	SPED CONSULTANTS	357,305.
ALEJANDRO SEVILLA 2400 AZURE PLACE, FAIRFIELD, CA 94534	EDUCATION CONSULTING	354,350.
CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP PO BOX 31001-2443, PASADENA, CA 91110	AUDIT AND CONSULTING	330,747.
QUAD C LE HOLDINGS LLC PO BOX 18228, PALATINE, IL 60055	EDUCATION SOFTWARE	295,324.

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 23

SEE PART VII, SECTION A CONTINUATION SHEETS



**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
			Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	<b>1 a</b> Federated campaigns .....	<b>1a</b>					
	<b>b</b> Membership dues .....	<b>1b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events .....	<b>1c</b>					
	<b>d</b> Related organizations .....	<b>1d</b>					
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions)	<b>1e</b>	161,893,979.				
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above ...	<b>1f</b>	7,715,191.				
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	<b>1g</b>	\$ 4,000,000.				
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f .....		169609170.				
Program Service Revenue	<b>2 a</b> _____	<b>Business Code</b>					
	<b>b</b> _____						
	<b>c</b> _____						
	<b>d</b> _____						
	<b>e</b> _____						
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue .....						
	<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f .....						
Other Revenue	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) .....		2,537,397.			2537397.	
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	<b>5</b> Royalties .....						
	<b>6 a</b> Gross rents .....	<b>6a</b>	(i) Real				
			(ii) Personal				
	<b>b</b> Less: rental expenses ...	<b>6b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss)	<b>6c</b>					
	<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss) .....						
	<b>7 a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	<b>7a</b>	(i) Securities				
			(ii) Other				
	<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses .....	<b>7b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) .....	<b>7c</b>					
	<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) .....						
<b>8 a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 .....	<b>8a</b>						
<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....	<b>8b</b>						
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events .....							
<b>9 a</b> Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 .....	<b>9a</b>						
<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....	<b>9b</b>						
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities .....							
<b>10 a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances .....	<b>10a</b>						
<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold .....	<b>10b</b>						
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory .....							
Miscellaneous Revenue	<b>11 a</b> MANAGEMENT FEE	611110	5,772,244.	5,772,244.			
	<b>b</b> MISC REVENUE	611110	161,534.	161,534.			
	<b>c</b> UNIFORM SALES	611110	24,691.			24,691.	
	<b>d</b> All other revenue .....						
	<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d .....		5,958,469.				
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions .....		178105036.	5,933,778.	0.	2562088.		

**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 and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21 ...				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22 .....				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16 .....				
4 Benefits paid to or for members .....				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees .....	635,812.		635,812.	
6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) .....				
7 Other salaries and wages .....	80,564,258.	70,435,700.	9,727,259.	401,299.
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions) .....	7,532,446.	7,101,526.	425,638.	5,282.
9 Other employee benefits .....	9,205,497.	8,579,376.	587,324.	38,797.
10 Payroll taxes .....	4,234,594.	3,341,945.	861,849.	30,800.
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management .....				
b Legal .....	489,702.		489,702.	
c Accounting .....	257,099.		257,099.	
d Lobbying .....				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees .....				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	24,869,839.	20,769,701.	4,100,138.	
12 Advertising and promotion .....	235,755.		235,755.	
13 Office expenses .....	3,626,148.	2,709,871.	911,306.	4,971.
14 Information technology .....	2,611,568.	1,705,768.	905,800.	
15 Royalties .....				
16 Occupancy .....	16,503,653.	15,826,230.	677,423.	
17 Travel .....	3,605,266.	1,865,744.	1,729,125.	10,397.
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials ...				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings .....	5,258.		5,258.	
20 Interest .....	26,156.		26,156.	
21 Payments to affiliates .....	2,375,991.	2,375,991.		
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization .....	765,127.	330,604.	434,523.	
23 Insurance .....	795,107.	729,800.	65,307.	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a <b>STUDENT FOOD SERVICES</b>	5,483,222.	5,483,222.		
b <b>INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS</b>	3,043,814.	3,043,710.		104.
c <b>OVERSIGHT FEES</b>	1,285,706.		1,285,706.	
d <b>PRINTING AND POSTAGE</b>	237,742.	124,444.	111,214.	2,084.
e All other expenses	7,670,805.	4,632,658.	3,017,998.	20,149.
<b>25 Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	176,060,565.	149,056,290.	26,490,392.	513,883.
<b>26 Joint costs.</b> Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

**Part X Balance Sheet**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A)		(B)	
		Beginning of year		End of year	
Assets	<b>1</b> Cash - non-interest-bearing .....	11,757,929.	<b>1</b>	4,548,681.	
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments .....	67,836,917.	<b>2</b>	66,289,583.	
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net .....	909,333.	<b>3</b>	0.	
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net .....	20,494,778.	<b>4</b>	22,748,162.	
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons .....		<b>5</b>		
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) .....		<b>6</b>		
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net .....	9,995,242.	<b>7</b>	5,860,768.	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use .....		<b>8</b>		
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges .....	3,548,077.	<b>9</b>	4,089,509.	
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D .....	<b>10a</b> 11,867,570.			
	<b>b</b> Less: accumulated depreciation .....	<b>10b</b> 5,099,086.	5,497,436.	<b>10c</b>	6,768,484.
	<b>11</b> Investments - publicly traded securities .....		<b>11</b>		
	<b>12</b> Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>12</b>		
	<b>13</b> Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>13</b>		
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets .....		<b>14</b>		
	<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 .....	151,335,837.	<b>15</b>	144,948,768.	
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33) .....	271,375,549.	<b>16</b>	255,253,955.		
Liabilities	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses .....	9,591,624.	<b>17</b>	11,215,657.	
	<b>18</b> Grants payable .....		<b>18</b>		
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue .....	20,534,784.	<b>19</b>	11,364,603.	
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities .....		<b>20</b>		
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D .....		<b>21</b>		
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons .....		<b>22</b>		
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties .....		<b>23</b>		
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties .....	4,550,000.	<b>24</b>	250,000.	
	<b>25</b> 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 .....	153,267,133.	<b>25</b>	146,947,216.	
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 .....	187,943,541.	<b>26</b>	169,777,476.	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	<b>Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.</b>				
	<b>27</b> Net assets without donor restrictions .....	82,522,675.	<b>27</b>	85,013,825.	
	<b>28</b> Net assets with donor restrictions .....	909,333.	<b>28</b>	462,654.	
	<b>Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 29 through 33.</b>				
	<b>29</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds .....		<b>29</b>		
	<b>30</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund .....		<b>30</b>		
	<b>31</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds .....		<b>31</b>		
	<b>32</b> Total net assets or fund balances .....	83,432,008.	<b>32</b>	85,476,479.	
<b>33</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances .....	271,375,549.	<b>33</b>	255,253,955.		

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check 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	178,105,036.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	176,060,565.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	2,044,471.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	83,432,008.
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 on Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	85,476,479.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

- 1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990:  Cash  Accrual  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on Schedule O.
- 2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? .....  
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:  
 Separate basis  Consolidated basis  Both consolidated and separate basis
- b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? .....  
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:  
 Separate basis  Consolidated basis  Both consolidated and separate basis
- c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? .....  
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.
- 3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F? .....
- 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 on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits .....

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b	X	
2c	X	
3a	X	
3b	X	

Form 990 (2024)

SCHEDULE A (Form 990)

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust. Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

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Open to Public Inspection

Table with 2 columns: Name of the organization (ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION) and Employer identification number (20-4040597)

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 12, check only one box.)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).
2 [X] A school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii). (Attach Schedule E (Form 990).)
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).
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).
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).
8 A community trust described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).
9 An agricultural research organization described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ix) operated in conjunction with a land-grant college or university or a non-land-grant college of agriculture.
10 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.
11 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety.
12 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).
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.
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).
c Type III functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with, and functionally integrated with, its supported organization(s) (see instructions).
d Type III non-functionally integrated. A supporting organization operated in connection with its supported organization(s) that is not functionally integrated.
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
g Provide the following information about the supported organization(s).

Table with 6 columns: (i) Name of supported organization, (ii) EIN, (iii) Type of organization, (iv) Is the organization listed in your governing document?, (v) Amount of monetary support, (vi) Amount of other support. Includes a Total row.

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

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3; 5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f); 6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: 7 Amounts from line 4; 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources; 9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on; 10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.); 11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10; 12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions); 13 First 5 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

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, and Percentage. Rows include: 14 Public support percentage for 2024 (line 6, column (f), divided by line 11, column (f)); 15 Public support percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part II, line 14; 16a 33 1/3% support test - 2024; b 33 1/3% support test - 2023; 17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2024; b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2023; 18 Private foundation.

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 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

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Gross receipts from admissions; 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business; 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5; 7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons; 7b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons; 8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: 9 Amounts from line 6; 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources; 10b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975; 10c Add lines 10a and 10b; 11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on; 12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.); 13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)

14 First 5 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

Table with 2 columns: Line number, Percentage. Row 15: Public support percentage for 2024 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) 15 %; Row 16: Public support percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 16 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

Table with 2 columns: Line number, Percentage. Row 17: Investment income percentage for 2024 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) 17 %; Row 18: Investment income percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 18 %

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2024. 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 - 2023. 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 12 of Part I. If you checked box 12a, Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

**Section A. All Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>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.</i>		
<b>2</b> Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
<b>3a</b> Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c below.</i>		
<b>b</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)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
<b>4a</b> Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>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.</i>		
<b>c</b> 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)? <i>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.</i>		
<b>5a</b> Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 5b and 5c 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).</i>		
<b>b Type I or Type II only.</b> Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
<b>c Substitutions only.</b> Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
<b>6</b> Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>7</b> Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).</i>		
<b>8</b> Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described on line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).</i>		
<b>9a</b> 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))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined on line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did a disqualified person (as defined on line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>10a</b> Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer line 10b below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 11: Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons? a A person who directly or indirectly controls... b A family member... c A 35% controlled entity...

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Did the governing body, members of the governing body, officers acting in their official capacity... Row 2: Did the organization operate for the benefit of any supported organization other than the supported organization(s)...

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 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)?

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 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... Row 2: Were any of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees either (i) appointed or elected... Row 3: By reason of the relationship described on line 2, above, did the organization's supported organizations have a significant voice...

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 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... b The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations... c The organization supported a governmental entity... Row 2: Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below. a Did substantially all of the organization's activities during the tax year directly further the exempt purposes... b Did the activities described on line 2a, above, constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement... Row 3: Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below. a Did the organization have the power to regularly appoint or elect a majority of the officers, directors, or trustees... b Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations?

**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 ( explain in Part VI). 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	
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	<b>Adjusted Net Income</b> (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8	

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	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	<b>Discount</b> 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	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by 0.035.	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	<b>Minimum Asset Amount</b> (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1	
2	Enter 0.85 of line 1.	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	<b>Distributable Amount.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> 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	1
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	2
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	3
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	4
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required - provide details in Part VI)	5
6	Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	6
7	<b>Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 6.	7
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	8
9	Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6	9
10	Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	10

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2024	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2024
1	Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6		
2	Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2024 (reasonable cause required - explain in Part VI). See instructions.		
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2024		
a	From 2019		
b	From 2020		
c	From 2021		
d	From 2022		
e	From 2023		
f	<b>Total</b> of lines 3a through 3e		
g	Applied to under distributions of prior years		
h	Applied to 2024 distributable amount		
i	Carryover from 2019 not applied (see instructions)		
j	Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.		
4	Distributions for 2024 from Section D, line 7: \$		
a	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
b	Applied to 2024 distributable amount		
c	Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.		
5	Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2024, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
6	Remaining underdistributions for 2024. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
7	<b>Excess distributions carryover to 2025.</b> Add lines 3j and 4c.		
8	Breakdown of line 7:		
a	Excess from 2020		
b	Excess from 2021		
c	Excess from 2022		
d	Excess from 2023		
e	Excess from 2024		

**Part VI**

**Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

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**Schedule B  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Schedule of Contributors**

Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.  
Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for the latest information.

OMB No. 1545-0047

Name of the organization

ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION

Employer identification number

20-4040597

Organization type (check one):

**Filers of:**

**Section:**

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)( 3 ) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

**Note:** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

**General Rule**

For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

**Special Rules**

For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of **(1)** \$5,000; or **(2)** 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), II, and III.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Caution:** An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990).

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the instructions for Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.

Schedule B (Form 990) (Rev. 12-2024)

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**Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	ALEX TERMAN  351 LINFIELD DRIVE  MENLO PARK, CA 94025	\$ 10,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2	ARTHUR ROCK  415 MISSION STREET, STE 5700  SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105	\$ 4,000,000.	Person <input type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
3	BRIAN KILB AND LYNN KILB  16620 LOWER VALLEY RIDGE DR  BROOKFIELD, WI 53005	\$ 10,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
4	CRITES FAMILY CHARITABLE FUND  26311 ESPERANZA DRIVE  LOS ALTOS HILLS, CA 94022	\$ 25,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
5	DANIEL SANCHEZ  11723 SE FLORIDA AVENUE  HOBE SOUND, FL 33455	\$ 5,250.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
6	GODFREY KAHN  833 EAST MICHIGAN STREET, SUITE 1800  MILWAUKEE, WI 53202	\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
7	GREG STANGER  246 POLHEMUS AVENUE  ATHERTON, CA 94027	\$ 10,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
8	J. WILLARD & ALICE MARRIOTT  7750 WISCONSIN AVENUE  BETHESDA, MD 20817	\$ 250,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
9	JEROME HAROLD DEBS  1995 WAVERLEY STREET  PALO ALTO, CA 94301	\$ 50,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
10	JOHN DANNER DAF  481 N SANTA CRUZ AVE #108  LOS GATOS, CA 95030	\$ 25,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
11	KUMER FAMILY CHARITABLE FUND  2515 BUCKINGHAM PLACE  BROOKFIELD, WI 53045	\$ 12,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
12	LOUIS JORDAN FIDELITY  1083 VINE STREET  HEALDSBURG, CA 95448	\$ 5,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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**Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
13	<u>MORRIS GWENDOLYN FOUNDATION</u>  <u>1825 K STREET NORTHWEST, ST 140</u>  <u>WASHINGTON, DC 20036</u>	\$ <u>50,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
14	<u>PERKINS MALO HUNTER FOUNDATION</u>  <u>2427 LAKEFRONT DRIVE</u>  <u>HOLLAND, MI 49424</u>	\$ <u>240,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
15	<u>ROBERT P AND ANN MARIE ELLIOT</u>  <u>6141 CHICKERING CT</u>  <u>NASHVILLE, TN 37215</u>	\$ <u>6,300.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
16	<u>ROSENBERG FAMILY CHARITABLE FUND</u>  <u>84 COTTON STREET</u>  <u>NEWTON, MA 02458</u>	\$ <u>10,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
17	<u>SID W RICHARDSON FOUNDATION</u>  <u>309 MAIN ST</u>  <u>FORT WORTH, TX 76102</u>	\$ <u>51,399.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
18	<u>STANLEY AND JOLENE SLOTER</u>  <u>9112 VENDOME DRIVE</u>  <u>BETHESDA, MD 20817</u>	\$ <u>50,000.</u>	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)

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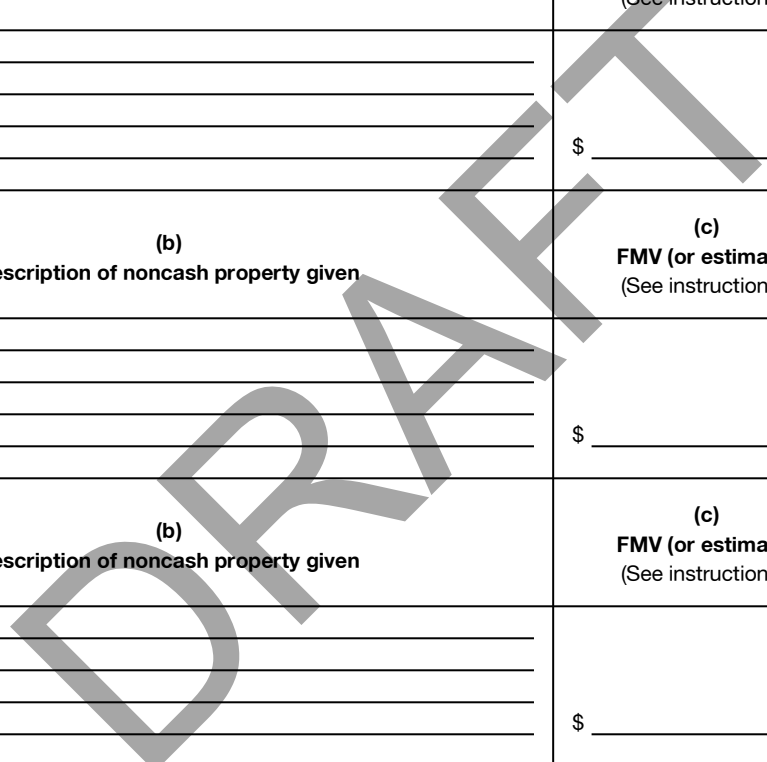
**Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
19	THE LYNDE & HARR ROCKE  1400 NORTH WATER STREET, SUITE 300  MILWAUKEE, WI 53202	\$ 50,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
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**Part II Noncash Property** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
2	STOCK DONATION _____ _____ _____	\$ 4,000,000.	06/30/25
	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
	_____ _____ _____	\$ _____	_____
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**Part III** Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this info. once.) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
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<b>(e) Transfer of gift</b>			
<b>Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4</b>		<b>Relationship of transferor to transferee</b>	
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SCHEDULE C  
(Form 990)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No. 1545-0047

2024

Open to Public Inspection

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under Section 501(c) and Section 527  
Complete if the organization is described below. Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.  
Go to www.irs.gov/Form990 for instructions and the latest information.

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities), then:

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and I-B. Do not complete Part I-C.
- Section 501(c) (other than section 501(c)(3)) organizations: Complete Parts I-A and I-C below. Do not complete Part I-B.
- Section 527 organizations: Complete Part I-A only.

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 4, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 47 (Lobbying Activities), then:

- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-A. Do not complete Part II-B.
- Section 501(c)(3) organizations that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)): Complete Part II-B. Do not complete Part II-A.

If the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 5 (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 35c (Proxy Tax) (see separate instructions), then:

- Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations: Complete Part III.

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**Part I-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c) or is a section 527 organization.**

- 1 Provide a description of the organization's direct and indirect political campaign activities in Part IV.
- 2 Political campaign activity expenditures ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Volunteer hours for political campaign activities ..... \_\_\_\_\_

**Part I-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3).**

- 1 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by the organization under section 4955 ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of any excise tax incurred by organization managers under section 4955 ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 If the organization incurred a section 4955 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? .....  Yes  No
- 4a Was a correction made? .....  Yes  No
- b If "Yes," describe in Part IV.

**Part I-C Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3).**

- 1 Enter the amount directly expended by the filing organization for section 527 exempt function activities ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 Enter the amount of the filing organization's funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 Total exempt function expenditures. Add lines 1 and 2. Enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? .....  Yes  No
- 5 Enter the names, addresses, and EINs of all section 527 political organizations to which the filing organization made payments. For each organization listed, enter the amount paid from the filing organization's funds. Also enter the amount of political contributions received that were promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization, such as a separate segregated fund or a political action committee (PAC). If additional space is needed, provide information in Part IV.

(a) Name	(b) Address	(c) EIN	(d) Amount paid from filing organization's funds. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization. If none, enter -0-.

**Part II-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).**

- A Check  if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group (and list in Part IV each affiliated group member's name, address, EIN, expenses, and share of excess lobbying expenditures).
- B Check  if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply.

<b>Limits on Lobbying Expenditures</b> (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing organization's totals	(b) Affiliated group totals												
<b>1a</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grassroots lobbying) .....														
<b>b</b> Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying) .....														
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b) .....														
<b>d</b> Other exempt purpose expenditures .....														
<b>e</b> Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d) .....														
<b>f</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount. Enter the amount from the following table in both columns.														
<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="width: 30%;">IF the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b), is:</th> <th>THEN the lobbying nontaxable amount is:</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>not over \$500,000</td> <td>20% of the amount on line 1e.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000</td> <td>\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000</td> <td>\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>over \$17,000,000</td> <td>\$1,000,000.</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	IF the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b), is:	THEN the lobbying nontaxable amount is:	not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.	over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.	over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.	over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.	over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.		
IF the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b), is:	THEN the lobbying nontaxable amount is:													
not over \$500,000	20% of the amount on line 1e.													
over \$500,000 but not over \$1,000,000	\$100,000 plus 15% of the excess over \$500,000.													
over \$1,000,000 but not over \$1,500,000	\$175,000 plus 10% of the excess over \$1,000,000.													
over \$1,500,000 but not over \$17,000,000	\$225,000 plus 5% of the excess over \$1,500,000.													
over \$17,000,000	\$1,000,000.													
<b>g</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f) .....														
<b>h</b> Subtract line 1g from line 1a. If zero or less, enter -0- .....														
<b>i</b> Subtract line 1f from line 1c. If zero or less, enter -0- .....														
<b>j</b> If there is an amount other than zero on either line 1h or line 1i, did the organization file Form 4720 reporting section 4911 tax for this year? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No												

**4-Year Averaging Period Under Section 501(h)**  
(Some organizations that made a section 501(h) election do not have to complete all of the five columns below. See the separate instructions for lines 2a through 2f.)

<b>Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period</b>					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2021	(b) 2022	(c) 2023	(d) 2024	(e) Total
<b>2a</b> Lobbying nontaxable amount					
<b>b</b> Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
<b>c</b> Total lobbying expenditures					
<b>d</b> Grassroots nontaxable amount					
<b>e</b> Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line 2d, column (e))					
<b>f</b> Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

**Part II-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(3) and has NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)).**

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
<b>1</b> During the year, did the filing organization attempt to influence foreign, national, state, or local legislation, including any attempt to influence public opinion on a legislative matter or referendum, through the use of:			
<b>a</b> Volunteers? .....		X	
<b>b</b> Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines 1c through 1i)? ..	X		
<b>c</b> Media advertisements? .....		X	
<b>d</b> Mailings to members, legislators, or the public? .....		X	
<b>e</b> Publications, or published or broadcast statements? .....		X	
<b>f</b> Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes? .....		X	
<b>g</b> Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body? .....	X		
<b>h</b> Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any similar means? .....		X	
<b>i</b> Other activities? .....	X		60,000.
<b>j</b> Total. Add lines 1c through 1i .....			60,000.
<b>2a</b> Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to not be described in section 501(c)(3)? .....		X	
<b>b</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912 .....			
<b>c</b> If "Yes," enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912 .....			
<b>d</b> If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year? .....			

**Part III-A Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6).**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Were substantially all (90% or more) dues received nondeductible by members? .....	1	
<b>2</b> Did the organization make only in-house lobbying expenditures of \$2,000 or less? .....	2	
<b>3</b> Did the organization agree to carry over lobbying and political campaign activity expenditures from the prior year? .....	3	

**Part III-B Complete if the organization is exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) and if either (a) BOTH Part III-A, lines 1 and 2, are answered "No," OR (b) Part III-A, line 3, is answered "Yes."**

<b>1</b> Dues, assessments, and similar amounts from members .....	1	
<b>2</b> Section 162(e) nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures (do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid):		
<b>a</b> Current year .....	2a	
<b>b</b> Carryover from last year .....	2b	
<b>c</b> Total .....	2c	
<b>3</b> Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues .....	3	
<b>4</b> If notices were sent and the amount on line 2c exceeds the amount on line 3, what portion of the excess does the organization agree to carryover to the reasonable estimate of nondeductible lobbying and political expenditures next year? .....	4	
<b>5</b> Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures. See instructions .....	5	

**Part IV Supplemental Information**

Provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1; Part I-B, line 4; Part I-C, line 5; Part II-A (affiliated group list); Part II-A, lines 1 and 2 (see instructions); and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

**PART II-B, LINE 1, LOBBYING ACTIVITIES:**  
**DIRECT CONTACT WITH LEGISLATORS.**

**SCHEDULE D**  
**(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Financial Statements**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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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**Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

**Part II Conservation Easements.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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 (for example, 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.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements .....	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements .....	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included on line 2a .....	2c
d Number of conservation easements included on line 2c acquired after July 25, 2006, 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? .....

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year \_\_\_\_\_

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year \_\_\_\_\_

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2d above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? .....

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" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB 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 FASB 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 on 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 FASB ASC 958 relating to these items:

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 .....

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X .....

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Schedule D (Form 990) (Rev. 12-2024)

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

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

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian, or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?  Yes  No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- |  | Amount    |
|--|-----------|
| <b>c</b> Beginning balance             | <b>1c</b> |
| <b>d</b> Additions during the year     | <b>1d</b> |
| <b>e</b> Distributions during the year | <b>1e</b> |
| <b>f</b> Ending balance                | <b>1f</b> |
- 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" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
<b>1a</b> Beginning of year balance					
<b>b</b> Contributions					
<b>c</b> Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
<b>d</b> Grants or scholarships					
<b>e</b> Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
<b>f</b> Administrative expenses					
<b>g</b> End of year balance					

- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment \_\_\_\_\_ %
  - b** Permanent endowment \_\_\_\_\_ %
  - c** Term endowment \_\_\_\_\_ %
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.
- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- |   | Yes           | No |
|---|---------------|----|
| <b>(i)</b> Unrelated organizations?   | <b>3a(i)</b>  |    |
| <b>(ii)</b> Related organizations?  | <b>3a(ii)</b> |    |
| <b>b</b> If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | <b>3b</b>     |    |
- 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" on 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
<b>1a</b> Land				
<b>b</b> Buildings		7,366,409.	2,505,578.	4,860,831.
<b>c</b> Leasehold improvements				
<b>d</b> Equipment		3,103,005.	1,702,144.	1,400,861.
<b>e</b> Other		1,398,156.	891,364.	506,792.
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 10c, column (B))				6,768,484.

**Part VII Investments - Other Securities**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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 .....		
(2) Closely held equity interests .....		
(3) Other .....		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 12, col. (B))		

**Part VIII Investments - Program Related.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 13, col. (B))		

**Part IX Other Assets**

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

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) SECURITY DEPOSITS	453,991.
(2) OPERATING RIGHT-OF-USE LEASE ASSET	144,494,777.
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 15, col. (B))	144,948,768.

**Part X Other Liabilities**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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	
(2) ACCRUED INTEREST	219,823.
(3) LEASE LIABILITIES - OPERATING	146,727,393.
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 25, col. (B))	146,947,216.

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 FASB 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" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

Table with 5 main rows and sub-rows (a-e) for adjustments. Columns include line numbers and a shaded area for calculations.

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

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

Table with 5 main rows and sub-rows (a-e) for adjustments. Columns include line numbers and a shaded area for calculations.

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 X, LINE 2:

ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION IS A NON-PROFIT ENTITY EXEMPT FROM THE PAYMENT OF INCOME TAXES UNDER INTERNAL REVENUE CODE SECTION 501(C)(3) AND CALIFORNIA REVENUE AND TAXATION CODE SECTION 23701D. ACCORDINGLY, NO PROVISION HAS BEEN MADE FOR INCOME TAXES. MANAGEMENT HAS DETERMINED THAT ALL INCOME TAX POSITIONS ARE MORE LIKELY THAN NOT OF BEING SUSTAINED UPON POTENTIAL AUDIT OR EXAMINATION; THEREFORE, NO DISCLOSURES OF UNCERTAIN INCOME TAX POSITIONS ARE REQUIRED. ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION FILES AN EXEMPT RETURN IN THE U.S. FEDERAL JURISDICTION AND WITH THE CALIFORNIA FRANCHISE TAX BOARD.



**SCHEDULE E  
(Form 990)**

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Schools**

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

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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**20-4040597**

**Part I**

	YES	NO
1 Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2 Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3 Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy on its primary publicly accessible Internet homepage at all times during its tax year in a manner reasonably expected to be noticed by visitors to the homepage, or through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If "Yes," please describe. If "No," please explain. If you need more space, use Part II .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>WE INCLUDE THIS INFORMATION IN THE LOTTERY MATERIALS &amp; THE NSLP BID MATERIALS THAT WE PROCESS ANNUALLY.</b>		
4 Does the organization maintain the following:		
a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain. If you need more space, use Part II.		
5 Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:		
a Students' rights or privileges? .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
b Admissions policies? .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
c Employment of faculty or administrative staff? .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
d Scholarships or other financial assistance? .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
e Educational policies? .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
f Use of facilities? .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
g Athletic programs? .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
h Other extracurricular activities? .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. If you need more space, use Part II.		
6a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency? .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? .....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
If you answered "Yes" on either line 6a or line 6b, explain in Part II.		
7 Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4.01 through 4.05 of Rev. Proc. 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, as modified by Rev. Proc. 2019-22, 2019-22 I.R.B. 1260, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," explain in Part II .....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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Schedule E (Form 990) (Rev. 12-2024)

**Part II Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part I, lines 3, 4d, 5h, 6b, and 7, as applicable. Also provide any other additional information. See instructions.

LINE 6B - EXPLANATION OF GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL AID:  
AS A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL, ROCKETSHIP RECEIVES A PER ADA FEE FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR EVERY PUPIL ATTENDING THE SCHOOL. ADDITIONALLY, ROCKETSHIP IS ELIGIBLE FOR LOCAL, STATE, AND FEDERAL PROGRAMS ADDRESSING OUR STUDENT POPULATION.

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**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Compensation Information**

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest  
Compensated Employees  
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.  
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**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

**1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel             | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as maid, chauffeur, chef) |

**b** If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain .....

**2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a? .....

**3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- |  |   |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee              | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

**4** During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? .....
- b** Participate in or receive payment from a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? .....
- c** Participate in or receive payment from an equity-based compensation arrangement? .....
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

**Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.**

**5** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- a** The organization? .....
- b** Any related organization? .....
- If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

**6** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- a** The organization? .....
- b** Any related organization? .....
- If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

**7** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....

**8** Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....

**9** If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)? .....

	Yes	No
<b>1b</b>		
<b>2</b>		
<b>4a</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>4b</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>4c</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>5a</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>5b</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>6a</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>6b</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>7</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>8</b>		<b>X</b>
<b>9</b>		

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Schedule J (Form 990) (Rev. 12-2024)

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

**Note:** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC and/or 1099-NEC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) PRESTON SMITH CEO	(i)	317,893.	0.	0.	23,000.	36,582.	377,475.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(2) LAMAR WADE CHIEF PEOPLE OFFICER	(i)	313,116.	0.	0.	23,000.	8,415.	344,531.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(3) MARICELA GUERRERO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CALIFO	(i)	225,536.	0.	0.	51,282.	33,049.	309,867.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(4) MARIA HEREDIA CHIEF LEGAL OFFICER	(i)	274,824.	0.	0.	30,450.	0.	305,274.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(5) BENJAMIN CARSON CFO	(i)	273,284.	0.	0.	7,746.	7,413.	288,443.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(6) CHRISTOPHER MURPHY CHIEF COMMUNICATIONS OFFIC	(i)	230,575.	0.	0.	23,000.	22,871.	276,446.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(7) KERRY FLANAGAN NATIONAL CHIEF OF STAFF	(i)	249,124.	0.	0.	0.	0.	249,124.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
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	(i)							
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	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							

**Part III Supplemental Information**

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

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**SCHEDULE M  
(Form 990)**

**Noncash Contributions**

OMB No. 1545-0047

**2024**

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Complete if the organizations answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 29 or 30.  
Attach to Form 990.

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization

**ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION**

Employer identification number

**20-4040597**

**Part I Types of Property**

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining noncash contribution amounts
1 Art - Works of art				
2 Art - Historical treasures				
3 Art - Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods				
6 Cars and other vehicles				
7 Boats and planes				
8 Intellectual property				
9 Securities - Publicly traded	X	1	4,000,000. FMV	
10 Securities - Closely held stock				
11 Securities - Partnership, LLC, or trust interests				
12 Securities - Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution - Historic structures				
14 Qualified conservation contribution - Other				
15 Real estate - Residential				
16 Real estate - Commercial				
17 Real estate - Other				
18 Collectibles				
19 Food inventory				
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy				
22 Historical artifacts				
23 Scientific specimens				
24 Archeological artifacts				
25 Other ( )				
26 Other ( )				
27 Other ( )				
28 Other ( )				

29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part V, Donee Acknowledgement

29

- 30a During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported on Part I, lines 1 through 28, that it must hold for at least 3 years from the date of the initial contribution, and which isn't required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period? **X**
- b If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II.
- 31 Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any nonstandard contributions? **X**
- 32a Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell noncash contributions? **X**
- b If "Yes," describe in Part II.
- 33 If the organization didn't report an amount in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II.

	Yes	No
30a		X
31	X	
32a		X

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Schedule M (Form 990) 2024

**Part II** **Supplemental Information.** Provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33, and whether the organization is reporting in Part I, column (b), the number of contributions, the number of items received, or a combination of both. Also complete this part for any additional information.

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**SCHEDULE O  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)

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 Form 990-EZ.

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Name of the organization

ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION

Employer identification number

20-4040597

FORM 990, PART I, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:  
SERVING LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES WITH LIMITED ACCESS TO EXCELLENT  
SCHOOLS.

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:  
ACHIEVEMENT GAP IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY. THE CORE  
OF ROCKETSHIP'S INSTRUCTIONAL MODEL IS A TEACHER-LED, TECHNOLOGY  
SUPPORTED APPROACH TO PERSONALIZED LEARNING THAT MATCHES EACH STUDENT  
WITH THE RIGHT CONTENT AT THE RIGHT TIME UTILIZING THE RIGHT METHOD OF  
INSTRUCTION. BY DEEPLY ENGAGING PARENTS IN THEIR STUDENT'S LEARNING AND  
THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY, ROCKETSHIP DEVELOPS PARENTS WHO BECOME LIFELONG  
ADVOCATES FOR THEIR CHILDREN AND THEIR COMMUNITY. WORKING ALONGSIDE  
PARENTS, COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, DISTRICTS, AND OTHER CHARTER SCHOOLS,  
ROCKETSHIP IS CATALIZING A MOVEMENT TO ELIMINATE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP IN  
OUR LIFETIME.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B:  
THE FORM 990 IS PREPARED BY THE ORGANIZATION'S OUTSIDE PUBLIC ACCOUNTING  
FIRM BASED ON INFORMATION PROVIDED BY MANAGEMENT. ONCE A DRAFT OF THE  
RETURN IS AVAILABLE, IT IS REVIEWED BY MANAGEMENT WITH ANY CHANGES OR  
REVISIONS INCORPORATED INTO THE FILING. THE REVISED RETURN IS THEN  
SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THEIR REVIEW PRIOR TO SUBMITTING TO  
THE IRS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:  
MONITORING IS PERFORMED REGULARLY BY THE OFFICERS TO IDENTIFY POTENTIAL  
CONFLICTS OF INTEREST. ANY QUESTION OF A CONFLICT IS ADDRESSED WITH THE  
INTERESTED PERSON, WHO IS REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE THE EXISTENCE OF ANY  
FINANCIAL INTEREST AND BE AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCLOSE ALL MATERIAL  
FACTS TO THE BOARD AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. IF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST IS  
IDENTIFIED, THE APPROPRIATE ACTION IS TAKEN, INCLUDING LIMITATIONS TO THE  
INDIVIDUAL'S INFLUENCE ON RELATED BUSINESS MATTERS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15A:  
THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S PAY IS DETERMINED BASED ON DATA PROVIDED BY  
EXTERNAL CHARTER MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATIONS AND THROUGH COMPARISON STUDIES OF  
OTHER CHARTER SCHOOLS. THE BOARD MUST VOTE TO APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE  
DIRECTOR'S COMPENSATION AS A DIRECT ACTION. THE CEO'S PAY IS DETERMINED  
BASED ON DATA PROVIDED BY EXTERNAL CHARTER MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATIONS AND  
THROUGH COMPARISON STUDIES OF OTHER CHARTER SCHOOLS. THE BOARD MUST VOTE TO  
APPROVE THE CEO'S COMPENSATION AS A DIRECT ACTION.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:  
OUR GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND BOARD FINANCIAL  
REPORTS ARE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST. OUR ANNUAL AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
ARE POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE.

FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, OTHER FEES:	
OTHER FEES FOR SERVICES:	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	726,057.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	113,056.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.

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Schedule O (Form 990) (Rev. 12-2024)

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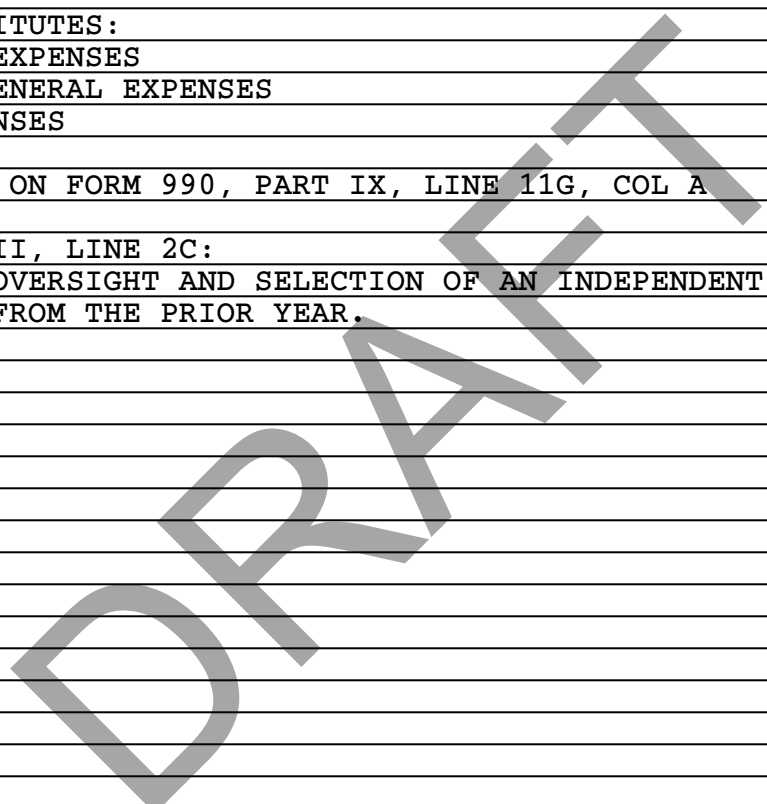
Name of the organization <b>ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION</b>	Employer identification number <b>20-4040597</b>
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>839,113.</b>

<b>CONSULTING EXPENSES:</b>	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	15,434,466.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	3,962,835.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>19,397,301.</b>

<b>CUSTODIAL SERVICES:</b>	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	1,630,894.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	24,247.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>1,655,141.</b>

<b>CONTRACTED SUBSTITUTES:</b>	
PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	2,978,284.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>2,978,284.</b>
<b>TOTAL OTHER FEES ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, COL A</b>	<b>24,869,839.</b>

FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C:  
 THE PROCESS FOR OVERSIGHT AND SELECTION OF AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT  
 HAS NOT CHANGED FROM THE PRIOR YEAR.



**SCHEDULE R  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. January 2025)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships**  
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.  
Attach to Form 990.

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Name of the organization

**ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION**

Employer identification number

**20-4040597**

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

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

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
LAUNCHPAD DEVELOPMENT COMPANY - 27-1813337 2001 GATEWAY PLACE, STE. 230E SAN JOSE, CA 95110	SUPPORTING	CALIFORNIA	501C3	LINE 12A, I	ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISCONSIN - 90-0951861 2001 GATEWAY PLACE, STE. 230E SAN JOSE, CA 95110	CHARTER SCHOOL	WISCONSIN	501C3	LINE 2	ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC - 47-3468345 2001 GATEWAY PLACE, STE. 230E SAN JOSE, CA 95110	CHARTER SCHOOL	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	501C3	LINE 2	ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

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Schedule R (Form 990) (Rev. 1-2025)

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

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

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

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

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

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

**1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

- a** Receipt of (i) interest, (ii) annuities, (iii) royalties, or (iv) rent from a controlled entity .....
- b** Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s) .....
- c** Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s) .....
- d** Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s) .....
- e** Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s) .....
- f** Dividends from related organization(s) .....
- g** Sale of assets to related organization(s) .....
- h** Purchase of assets from related organization(s) .....
- i** Exchange of assets with related organization(s) .....
- j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s) .....
- k** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s) .....
- l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s) .....
- m** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s) .....
- n** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s) .....
- o** Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s) .....
- p** Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses .....
- q** Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses .....
- r** Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s) .....
- s** Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s) .....

	Yes	No
1a		X
1b		X
1c		X
1d	X	
1e		X
1f		X
1g		X
1h		X
1i		X
1j		X
1k	X	
1l	X	
1m		X
1n	X	
1o	X	
1p		X
1q	X	
1r	X	
1s		X

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

(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
(1) LAUNCHPAD DEVELOPMENT COMPANY	K	11,252,040.	FMV LEASE
(2) ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION- WISCONSIN	L	1,492,772.	COST OF MANAGEMENT FEE
(3) ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION- DC	L	4,279,474.	COST OF MANAGEMENT FEE
(4) ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION- WISCONSIN	D	1,500,000.	LINE OF CREDIT
(5) ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION- DC	R	2,375,991.	MANAGEMENT FEE FORGIVENESS
(6)			



**Part VII Supplemental Information**

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R. See instructions.

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California Exempt Organization Annual Information Return

Calendar Year 2024 or fiscal year beginning (mm/dd/yyyy) 07/01/2024, and ending (mm/dd/yyyy) 06/30/2025

Corporation/Organization name ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION California corporation number 2853527

Additional information. See instructions. FEIN 20-4040597

Street address (suite or room) 2001 GATEWAY PLACE, 230E PMB no.

City SAN JOSE State CA ZIP code 95110

Foreign country name Foreign province/state/county Foreign postal code

Form sections A through O with checkboxes for 'Yes' and 'No' regarding return type, amendments, and organizational details.

Part I Complete Part I unless not required to file this form. See General Information B and C.

Table with 4 columns: Description, Line Number, Amount, and Balance. Rows include Receipts and Revenues (lines 1-8), Expenses (lines 9-10), and Payments (lines 11-16).

Sign Here 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.

Paid Preparer's Use Only Preparer's signature: DERRICK DEBRUYNE, Title: CFO, Date: 01/26/26, Firm's name: CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP, Address: 901 VIA PIEMONTE, SUITE 300, ONTARIO, CA 91764.

May the FTB discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions [X] Yes [ ] No

**Part II Organizations with gross receipts of more than \$50,000 and private foundations regardless of amount of gross receipts - complete Part II or furnish substitute information.**

<b>Receipts from Other Sources</b>	1	Gross sales or receipts from all business activities. See instructions	•	1		00	
	2	Interest	•	2	2,537,397	00	
	3	Dividends	•	3		00	
	4	Gross rents	•	4		00	
	5	Gross royalties	•	5		00	
	6	Gross amount received from sale of assets (See instructions)	•	6		00	
	7	Other income. Attach schedule	•	7	SEE STATEMENT 3	5,958,469 00	
	8	<b>Total</b> gross sales or receipts from other sources. Add line 1 through line 7. Enter here and on Side 1, Part I, line 1	•	8		8,495,866 00	
	9	Contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts paid. Attach schedule	•	9		00	
	10	Disbursements to or for members.	•	10		00	
	11	Compensation of officers, directors, and trustees. Attach schedule	•	11	SEE STATEMENT 4	635,812 00	
	12	Other salaries and wages	•	12		80,564,258 00	
	<b>Expenses and Disbursements</b>	13	Interest	•	13		26,156 00
		14	Taxes	•	14		4,234,594 00
		15	Rents	•	15		16,503,653 00
		16	Depreciation and depletion (See instructions)	•	16		765,127 00
		17	Other expenses and disbursements. Attach schedule	•	17	SEE STATEMENT 5	73,330,965 00
		18	<b>Total</b> expenses and disbursements. Add line 9 through line 17. Enter here and on Side 1, Part I, line 9	•	18		176,060,565 00

Schedule L Balance Sheet	Beginning of taxable year		End of taxable year	
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
<b>Assets</b>				
1 Cash		79,594,846		70,838,264
2 Net accounts receivable		20,494,778		22,748,162
3 Net notes receivable <b>STMT 6</b>		9,995,242		5,860,768
4 Inventories				
5 Federal and state government obligations				
6 Investments in other bonds				
7 Investments in stock				
8 Mortgage loans				
9 Other investments. Attach schedule				
10 a Depreciable assets	9,831,391		11,867,570	
b Less accumulated depreciation	4,333,955	5,497,436	5,099,086	6,768,484
11 Land				
12 Other assets. Attach schedule <b>STMT 7</b>		155,793,247		149,038,277
13 <b>Total assets</b>		271,375,549		255,253,955
<b>Liabilities and net worth</b>				
14 Accounts payable		9,591,624		11,215,657
15 Contributions, gifts, or grants payable				
16 Bonds and notes payable				
17 Mortgages payable				
18 Other liabilities. Attach schedule <b>STMT 8</b>		178,351,917		158,561,819
19 Capital stock or principal fund				
20 Paid-in or capital surplus. Attach reconciliation				
21 Retained earnings or income fund		83,432,008		85,476,479
22 <b>Total liabilities and net worth</b>		271,375,549		255,253,955

**Schedule M-1 Reconciliation of income per books with income per return**

Do not complete this schedule if the amount on Schedule L, line 13, column (d), is less than \$50,000.

1 Net income per books	•	2,044,471	7 Income recorded on books this year not included in this return. Attach schedule	•	
2 Federal income tax	•		8 Deductions in this return not charged against book income this year. Attach schedule	•	
3 Excess of capital losses over capital gains	•		9 Total. Add line 7 and line 8		
4 Income not recorded on books this year. Attach schedule	•		10 Net income per return. Subtract line 9 from line 6		2,044,471
5 Expenses recorded on books this year not deducted in this return. Attach schedule	•				
6 Total. Add line 1 through line 5		2,044,471			

CA 199

CASH CONTRIBUTIONS  
INCLUDED ON PART I, LINE 3

STATEMENT 1

CONTRIBUTOR'S NAME	CONTRIBUTOR'S ADDRESS	DATE OF GIFT	AMOUNT
ALEX TERMAN	351 LINFIELD DRIVE MENLO PARK, CA 94025	06/30/25	10,000.
BRIAN KILB AND LYNN KILB	16620 LOWER VALLEY RIDGE DR BROOKFIELD, WI 53005	06/30/25	10,000.
CRITES FAMILY CHARITABLE FUND	26311 ESPERANZA DRIVE LOS ALTOS HILLS, CA 94022	06/30/25	25,000.
DANIEL SANCHEZ	11723 SE FLORIDA AVENUE HOBE SOUND, FL 33455	06/30/25	5,250.
GODFREY KAHN	833 EAST MICHIGAN STREET, SUITE 1800 MILWAUKEE, WI 53202	06/30/25	5,000.
GREG STANGER	246 POLHEMUS AVENUE ATHERTON, CA 94027	06/30/25	10,000.
J. WILLARD & ALICE MARRIOTT	7750 WISCONSIN AVENUE BETHESDA, MD 20817	06/30/25	250,000.
JEROME HAROLD DEBS	1995 WAVERLEY STREET PALO ALTO, CA 94301	06/30/25	50,000.
JOHN DANNER DAF	481 N SANTA CRUZ AVE #108 LOS GATOS, CA 95030	06/30/25	25,000.
KUMER FAMILY CHARITABLE FUND	2515 BUCKINGHAM PLACE BROOKFIELD, WI 53045	06/30/25	12,000.
LOUIS JORDAN FIDELITY	1083 VINE STREET HEALDSBURG, CA 95448	06/30/25	5,000.
MORRIS GWENDOLYN FOUNDATION	1825 K STREET NORTHWEST, ST 140 WASHINGTON, DC 20036	06/30/25	50,000.
PERKINS MALO HUNTER FOUNDATION	2427 LAKEFRONT DRIVE HOLLAND, MI 49424	06/30/25	240,000.
ROBERT P AND ANN MARIE ELLIOT	6141 CHICKERING CT NASHVILLE, TN 37215	06/30/25	6,300.

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ROSENBERG FAMILY CHARITABLE FUND	84 COTTON STREET NEWTON, MA 02458	06/30/25	10,000.
SID W RICHARDSON FOUNDATION	309 MAIN ST FORT WORTH, TX 76102	06/30/25	51,399.
STANLEY AND JOLENE SLOTER	9112 VENDOME DRIVE BETHESDA, MD 20817	06/30/25	50,000.
THE LYNDE & HARR ROCKE	1400 NORTH WATER STREET, SUITE 300 MILWAUKEE, WI 53202	06/30/25	50,000.
TOTAL INCLUDED ON LINE 3			864,949.

CA 199	NONCASH CONTRIBUTIONS INCLUDED ON PART I, LINE 3		STATEMENT 2
CONTRIBUTOR'S NAME	CONTRIBUTOR'S ADDRESS		
ARTHUR ROCK	415 MISSION STREET, STE 5700 SAN FRANCISCO, CA 94105		
PROPERTY DESCRIPTION	DATE OF GIFT	FMV OF GIFT	TOTAL AMOUNT
STOCK DONATION	06/30/25	4,000,000.	4,000,000.
TOTAL INCLUDED ON LINE 3		4,000,000.	4,000,000.

CA 199	OTHER INCOME	STATEMENT 3
DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT	
MANAGEMENT FEE	5,772,244.	
MISC REVENUE	161,534.	
UNIFORM SALES	24,691.	
TOTAL TO FORM 199, PART II, LINE 7		5,958,469.



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DEBORAH MCGRIFF 2001 GATEWAY PLACE, 230E SAN JOSE, CA 95110	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.
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DR. DANIEL VELASCO 2001 GATEWAY PLACE, 230E SAN JOSE, CA 95110	DIRECTOR 2.00	0.
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DERWIN SISNETT  
2001 GATEWAY PLACE, 230E  
SAN JOSE, CA 95110

DIRECTOR  
2.00

0.

TOTAL TO FORM 199, PART II, LINE 11

635,812.

CA 199

OTHER EXPENSES

STATEMENT 5

DESCRIPTION

AMOUNT

STUDENT FOOD SERVICES  
INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS  
OVERSIGHT FEES  
PRINTING AND POSTAGE  
PAYMENTS TO AFFILIATES  
PENSION PLAN CONTRIBUTIONS  
OTHER EMPLOYEE BENEFITS  
LEGAL FEES  
ACCOUNTING FEES  
OTHER PROFESSIONAL FEES  
ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION  
OFFICE EXPENSES  
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
TRAVEL  
CONFERENCES AND CONVENTIONS  
INSURANCE  
ALL OTHER EXPENSES

5,483,222.  
3,043,814.  
1,285,706.  
237,742.  
2,375,991.  
7,532,446.  
9,205,497.  
489,702.  
257,099.  
24,869,839.  
235,755.  
3,626,148.  
2,611,568.  
3,605,266.  
5,258.  
795,107.  
7,670,805.

TOTAL TO FORM 199, PART II, LINE 17

73,330,965.

CA 199	NET NOTES RECEIVABLE	STATEMENT 6
DESCRIPTION	BEG. OF YEAR	END OF YEAR
NOTES AND LOANS RECEIVABLE, NET	9,995,242.	5,860,768.
TOTAL TO FORM 199, SCHEDULE L, LINE 3	9,995,242.	5,860,768.

CA 199	OTHER ASSETS	STATEMENT 7
DESCRIPTION	BEG. OF YEAR	END OF YEAR
PLEDGES AND GRANTS RECEIVABLE	909,333.	0.
PREPAID EXPENSES AND DEFERRED CHARGES	3,548,077.	4,089,509.
SECURITY DEPOSITS	459,297.	453,991.
OPERATING RIGHT-OF-USE LEASE ASSET	150,876,540.	144,494,777.
TOTAL TO FORM 199, SCHEDULE L, LINE 12	155,793,247.	149,038,277.

CA 199	OTHER LIABILITIES	STATEMENT 8
DESCRIPTION	BEG. OF YEAR	END OF YEAR
ACCRUED INTEREST	255,479.	219,823.
LEASE LIABILITIES - OPERATING	153,011,654.	146,727,393.
DEFERRED REVENUE	20,534,784.	11,364,603.
UNSECURED NOTES AND LOANS PAYABLE	4,550,000.	250,000.
TOTAL TO FORM 199, SCHEDULE L, LINE 18	178,351,917.	158,561,819.

CA 199	FUND BALANCES	STATEMENT 9
DESCRIPTION	BEG. OF YEAR	END OF YEAR
NET ASSETS WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	82,522,675.	85,013,825.
NET ASSETS WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS	909,333.	462,654.
TOTAL TO FORM 199, SCHEDULE L, LINE 21	83,432,008.	85,476,479.

**Corporation Depreciation  
and Amortization**

Attach to Form 100 or Form 100W.

**FORM 199**

**FEIN 20-4040597**

Corporation name

California corporation number

**ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION**

**2853527**

**Part I Election To Expense Certain Property Under IRC Section 179**

1	Maximum deduction under IRC Section 179 for California .....	1	\$25,000
2	Total cost of IRC Section 179 property placed in service .....	2	
3	Threshold cost of IRC Section 179 property before reduction in limitation .....	3	\$200,000
4	Reduction in limitation. Subtract line 3 from line 2. If zero or less, enter -0- .....	4	
5	Dollar limitation for taxable year. Subtract line 4 from line 1. If zero or less, enter -0- .....	5	
6	(a) Description of property	(b) Cost (business use only)	(c) Elected cost
7	Listed property (elected IRC Section 179 cost) .....	7	
8	Total elected cost of IRC Section 179 property. Add amounts in column (c), line 6 and line 7 .....	8	
9	Tentative deduction. Enter the <b>smaller</b> of line 5 or line 8 .....	9	
10	Carryover of disallowed deduction from prior taxable years .....	10	
11	Business income limitation. Enter the smaller of business income (not less than zero) or line 5 .....	11	
12	IRC Section 179 expense deduction. Add line 9 and line 10, but do not enter more than line 11 .....	12	
13	Carryover of disallowed deduction to 2025. Add line 9 and line 10, less line 12 .....	13	

**Part II Depreciation and Election of Additional First Year Depreciation Deduction Under R&TC Section 24356**

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	
Description of property	Date acquired (mm/dd/yyyy)	Cost or other basis	Depreciation allowed or allowable in earlier years	Depreciation method	Life or rate	Depreciation for this year	Additional first year depreciation	
14	<b>1 FIXED ASSETS</b>							
	VARIOUS	9,831,391	4,333,955	150DB	20.00	765,127		
15	Add the amounts in column (g) and column (h). The total of column (h) may not exceed \$2,000. See instructions for line 14, column (h) .....						15	765,127

**Part III Summary**

16	Total: If the corporation is electing: IRC Section 179 expense, add the amount on line 12 and line 15, column (g) or Additional first year depreciation under R&TC Section 24356, add the amounts on line 15, columns (g) and (h) or Depreciation (if no election is made), enter the amount from line 15, column (g) .....	16	765,127
17	Total depreciation claimed for federal purposes from federal Form 4562, line 22 .....	17	765,127
18	Depreciation adjustment. If line 17 is greater than line 16, enter the difference here and on Form 100 or Form 100W, Side 1, line 6. If line 17 is less than line 16, enter the difference here and on Form 100 or Form 100W, Side 2, line 12. (If California depreciation amounts are used to determine net income before state adjustments on Form 100 or Form 100W, no adjustment is necessary.) .....	18	0

**Part IV Amortization**

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	
Description of property	Date acquired (mm/dd/yyyy)	Cost or other basis	Amortization allowed or allowable in earlier years	R&TC Section (see instructions)	Period or percentage	Amortization for this year	
19							
20	Total. Add the amounts in column (g) .....					20	
21	Total amortization claimed for federal purposes from federal Form 4562, line 44 .....					21	
22	Amortization adjustment. If line 21 is greater than line 20, enter the difference here and on Form 100 or Form 100W, Side 1, line 6. If line 21 is less than line 20, enter the difference here and on Form 100 or Form 100W, Side 2, line 12 .....					22	

TAXABLE YEAR

2024

# California e-file Return Authorization for Exempt Organizations

FORM  
8453-EO

Exempt Organization name	Identifying number
<b>ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION</b>	<b>20-4040597</b>

**Part I Electronic Return Information** (whole dollars only)

1 Total gross receipts or unrelated business taxable income (Form 199, line 4 or Form 109, line 5)	1	<u>178,105,036</u>
2 Total gross income or total tax (Form 199, line 8 or Form 109, line 14)	2	<u>178,105,036</u>
3 Refund (Form 109, line 26)	3	
4 Balance due or Total amount due (Form 199, line 16 or Form 109, line 29)	4	

**Part II Settle Your Account Electronically for Taxable Year 2024**

5 <input type="checkbox"/> Direct deposit of refund (Form 109 only.)		
6 <input type="checkbox"/> Electronic funds withdrawal	6a Amount	6b Withdrawal date (mm/dd/yyyy)

**Part III Schedule of Estimated Tax Payments for Taxable Year 2025** (These are **not** installment payments for the current amount the exempt organization owes.)

	First Payment	Second Payment	Third Payment	Fourth Payment
7 Amount				
8 Withdrawal Date				

**Part IV Banking Information** (Have you verified the exempt organization's banking information?)

9 Routing number	_____
10 Account number	_____
11 Type of account:	<input type="checkbox"/> Checking <input type="checkbox"/> Savings

**Part V Declaration of Officer**

I authorize the exempt organization's account to be settled as designated in Part II. If I check Part II, box 5, I declare that the bank account specified in Part IV for the direct deposit refund agrees with the authorization stated on my return. If I check Part II, box 6, I authorize an electronic funds withdrawal for the amount listed on line 6a and any estimated payment amounts listed on Part III, line 7 from the bank account specified in Part IV.

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I am an officer of the above exempt organization and that the information I provided to my electronic return originator (ERO), transmitter, or intermediate service provider and the amounts in Part I above agree with the amounts on the corresponding lines of the exempt organization's 2024 California electronic return. To the best of my knowledge and belief, the exempt organization's return is true, correct, and complete. If the exempt organization is filing a balance due return, I understand that if the Franchise Tax Board (FTB) does not receive full and timely payment of the exempt organization's tax liability, the exempt organization will remain liable for the tax liability and all applicable interest and penalties. I authorize the exempt organization return and accompanying schedules and statements be transmitted to the FTB by the ERO, transmitter, or intermediate service provider. **If the processing of the exempt organization's return or refund is delayed, I authorize the FTB to disclose to the ERO or intermediate service provider the reason(s) for the delay or the date when the refund was sent.**

**Sign Here** \_\_\_\_\_ **CFO**

Signature of officer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

**Part VI Declaration of Electronic Return Originator (ERO) and Paid Preparer.**

I declare that I have reviewed the above exempt organization's return and that the entries on form FTB 8453-EO are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge. (If I am only an intermediate service provider, I understand that I am not responsible for reviewing the exempt organization's return. I declare, however, that form FTB 8453-EO accurately reflects the data on the return.) I have obtained the organization officer's signature on form FTB 8453-EO before transmitting this return to the FTB. I have provided the organization officer with a copy of all forms and information that I will file with the FTB, and I have followed all other requirements described in FTB Pub. 1345, 2024 Handbook for Authorized e-file Providers. I will keep form FTB 8453-EO on file for **four** years from the due date of the return or **four** years from the date the exempt organization return is filed, whichever is later, and I will make a copy available to the FTB upon request. If I am also the paid preparer, under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the above exempt organization's return and accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I make this declaration based on all information of which I have knowledge.

<b>ERO</b>	ERO's signature <b>DERRICK DEBRUYNE</b>	Date	Check if also paid preparer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	ERO's PTIN <b>P00591016</b>
<b>Must Sign</b>	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed) and address <b>CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP</b> <b>901 VIA PIEMONTE, SUITE 300</b> <b>ONTARIO, CA</b>				Firm's FEIN <b>41-0746749</b> ZIP code <b>91764</b>

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined the above organization's return and accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I make this declaration based on all information of which I have knowledge.

<b>Paid Preparer</b>	Paid preparer's signature	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Paid preparer's PTIN
<b>Must Sign</b>	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed) and address			Firm's FEIN ZIP code



February 12, 2026

Rocketship Education DC Public Charter  
School Inc  
2001 Gateway Place 230E  
San Jose, CA 95110  
Attention: Benjamin Carson

Dear Benjamin,

Enclosed is the organization's 2024 Exempt Organization return.

Specific filing instructions are as follows.

### **FORM 990 RETURN:**

This return has qualified for electronic filing. After you have reviewed the return for completeness and accuracy, please sign, date and return Form 8879-TE to our office. We will transmit the return electronically to the IRS and no further action is required. Please return Form 8879-TE to us as soon as possible, but no later than by May 15, 2026 the filing deadline.

In addition, tax-exempt organizations must make available for public inspection a copy of their annual returns for the preceding three years and exemption application, if applicable. An organization generally must furnish filings to anyone who requests them in person or in writing. An exempt organization may meet this requirement by posting all the documents on its website or at another organizations site as part of a database of similar materials. Specific requirements must be met to meet this exception.

### **A few final reminders relating to your tax return filings:**

- There are substantial penalties for failure to properly disclose and report foreign financial accounts and foreign activity. Please make sure you have informed us of any foreign financial accounts or foreign activity so that we have the necessary information to complete any required disclosures or filings.
- Be sure to review the returns prior to signing as you have final responsibility for all information included in the returns. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.
- We recommend you keep a paper or electronic copy of your tax returns permanently. Supporting documentation should be kept for a minimum of seven years based on IRS guidance.

CLA exists to create opportunities – for our clients, our people, and our communities. We value our relationship with you and thank you for your trust and confidence in allowing us to serve you. If we can assist you in making strategic, informed decisions in areas of tax or beyond, please contact us as questions arise throughout the year.

Sincerely,

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP



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**ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC CHARTER  
SCHOOL INC**

**FORM 990 INCOME TAX RETURN**

**FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025**

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# IRS E-file Signature Authorization for a Tax Exempt Entity

OMB No. 1545-0047

Form **8879-TE**

For calendar year 2024, or fiscal year beginning JUL 1, 2024, and ending JUN 30, 2025

# 2024

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Do not send to the IRS. Keep for your records.

Go to [www.irs.gov/Form8879TE](http://www.irs.gov/Form8879TE) for the latest information.

Name of filer **ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL INC**

EIN or SSN  
**47-3468345**

Name and title of officer or person subject to tax **BENJAMIN CARSON  
CFO**

## Part I Type of Return and Return Information

Check the box for the return for which you are using this Form 8879-TE and enter the applicable amount, if any, from the return. Form 8038-CP and Form 5330 filers may enter dollars and cents. For all other forms, enter whole dollars only. If you check the box on line 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 6a, 7a, 8a, 9a, or 10a below, and the amount on that line for the return being filed with this form was blank, then leave line 1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b, 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, or 10b, whichever is applicable, blank (do not enter -0-). But, if you entered -0- on the return, then enter -0- on the applicable line below. Do not complete more than one line in Part I.

<b>1a</b> Form 990 check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total revenue, if any (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1b</b> <u>1,356,060.</u>
<b>2a</b> Form 990-EZ check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total revenue, if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9)	<b>2b</b> _____
<b>3a</b> Form 1120-POL check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22)	<b>3b</b> _____
<b>4a</b> Form 990-PF check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part V, line 5)	<b>4b</b> _____
<b>5a</b> Form 8868 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Balance due (Form 8868, line 3c)	<b>5b</b> _____
<b>6a</b> Form 990-T check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total tax (Form 990-T, Part III, line 4)	<b>6b</b> _____
<b>7a</b> Form 4720 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total tax (Form 4720, Part III, line 1)	<b>7b</b> _____
<b>8a</b> Form 5227 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> FMV of assets at end of tax year (Form 5227, Item D)	<b>8b</b> _____
<b>9a</b> Form 5330 check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Tax due (Form 5330, Part II, line 19)	<b>9b</b> _____
<b>10a</b> Form 8038-CP check here <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Amount of credit payment requested (Form 8038-CP, Part III, line 22)	<b>10b</b> _____

## Part II Declaration and Signature Authorization of Officer or Person Subject to Tax

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that  I am an officer of the above entity or  I am a person subject to tax with respect to (name of entity) \_\_\_\_\_, (EIN) \_\_\_\_\_ and that I have examined a copy of the 2024 electronic return and accompanying schedules and statements, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amount in Part I above is the amount shown on the copy of the electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (c) the date of any refund. If applicable, I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the federal taxes owed on this return, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537 no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment. I have selected a personal identification number (PIN) as my signature for the electronic return and, if applicable, the consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

### PIN: check one box only

I authorize CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP to enter my PIN 12345  
ERO firm name Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros

as my signature on the tax year 2024 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I also authorize the aforementioned ERO to enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

As an officer or person subject to tax with respect to the entity, I will enter my PIN as my signature on the tax year 2024 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I will enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

Signature of officer or person subject to tax

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Date

## Part III Certification and Authentication

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit electronic filing identification number (EFIN) followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN.

3074245902

Do not enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2024 electronically filed return indicated above. I confirm that I am submitting this return in accordance with the requirements of Pub. 4163, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns.

ERO's signature DERRICK DEBRUYNE

Date 02/12/26

**ERO Must Retain This Form - See Instructions**

**Do Not Submit This Form to the IRS Unless Requested To Do So**

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

Form **8879-TE** (2024)

LHA 402521 12-26-24

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2024.05040 ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC P B1165601

# Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

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

Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.

Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.

# 2024

Open to Public Inspection

**A** For the **2024** calendar year, or tax year beginning **JUL 1, 2024** and ending **JUN 30, 2025**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization <b>ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL INC</b> Doing business as Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite <b>2001 GATEWAY PLACE 230E</b> City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>SAN JOSE, CA 95110</b>	<b>D</b> Employer identification number <b>47-3468345</b> <b>E</b> Telephone number <b>(202) 627-2256</b>
<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer: <b>BENJAMIN CARSON</b> <b>SAME AS C ABOVE</b>		<b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <b>41,356,060.</b> <b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for subordinates? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. See instructions <b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number
<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527		
<b>J</b> Website: <b>WWW.ROCKETSHIPSCHOOLS.ORG</b>		
<b>K</b> Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other		<b>L</b> Year of formation: <b>2014</b> <b>M</b> State of legal domicile: <b>DC</b>

## Part I Summary

	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <b>A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL WORKING TO ELIMINATE THE ACHIEVEMENT CAP IN PUBLIC EDUCATION.</b>		
	<b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
Activities & Governance	<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) .....	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>
	<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) .....	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>
	<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2024 (Part V, line 2a) .....	<b>5</b>	<b>217</b>
	<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) .....	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>
	<b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12 .....	<b>7a</b>	<b>0.</b>
	<b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11 .....	<b>7b</b>	<b>0.</b>
	Revenue	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) .....	<b>Prior Year</b>
<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g) .....		<b>41,616,239.</b>	<b>38,204,194.</b>
<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d) .....		<b>236,378.</b>	<b>191,107.</b>
<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e) .....		<b>597,267.</b>	<b>519,198.</b>
<b>12</b> Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) .....		<b>1,228,554.</b>	<b>2,441,561.</b>
		<b>43,678,438.</b>	<b>41,356,060.</b>
Expenses	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3) .....	<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4) .....	<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10) .....	<b>14,015,245.</b>	<b>12,401,006.</b>
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e) .....	<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) .....	<b>0.</b>	
	<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e) .....	<b>28,958,179.</b>	<b>27,653,303.</b>
<b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) .....	<b>42,973,424.</b>	<b>40,054,309.</b>	
<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12 .....	<b>705,014.</b>	<b>1,301,751.</b>	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16) .....	<b>Beginning of Current Year</b>	<b>End of Year</b>
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26) .....	<b>129,899,579.</b>	<b>125,766,364.</b>
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20 .....	<b>132,176,748.</b>	<b>126,741,782.</b>
		<b>-2,277,169.</b>	<b>-975,418.</b>

## 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.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer <b>BENJAMIN CARSON, CFO</b>	Date
	Type or print name and title	
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Preparer's name <b>DERRICK DEBRUYNE</b>	Preparer's signature <b>DERRICK DEBRUYNE</b>
	Preparer's address <b>901 VIA PIEMONTE, SUITE 300 ONTARIO, CA 91764</b>	Date <b>02/12/26</b>
	Firm's name <b>CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP</b>	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/> PTIN <b>P00591016</b>
	Firm's EIN <b>41-0746749</b>	Phone no. (909) 985-7286

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions  Yes  No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III [X]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:
ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL IS A NON-PROFIT CORPORATION WHOSE MISSION IS TO ELIMINATE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP BY BUILDING A SCALABLE AND SUSTAINABLE SCHOOL MODEL THAT PROPELS STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES. THE CORE OF ROCKETSHIP'S

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 [X] 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 [X] 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 \$ 35,024,945. including grants of \$ 0. ) (Revenue \$ 191,107. )
ROCKETSHIP DC RISE ACADEMY, A PUBLIC ELEMENTARY CHARTER SCHOOL AT 2335 RAYNOLDS PLACE SE IN WARD 8, AND ROCKETSHIP LEGACY PREP, LOCATED AT 4250 MASSACHUSETTS AVE SE, CONTINUED TO HAVE STRONG ENROLLMENT SERVING MORE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES. IN AUGUST 2021, ROCKETSHIP SUCCESSFULLY OPENED ITS THIRD SCHOOL, ROCKETSHIP INFINITY COMMUNITY PREP, AT 5450 3RD STREET NE, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20011. ROCKETSHIP DC WAS ALSO ABLE TO QUICKLY MOVE TO FULLY SERVE STUDENTS AND FAMILIES IN A DISTANCE LEARNING MODEL IN SPRING 2021 WITH STUDENTS HAVING 1:1 ACCESS TO REMOTE TECHNOLOGY, DISTANCE LEARNING CURRICULUM, AND FAMILY SUPPORTS.

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

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

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

4e Total program service expenses 35,024,945.

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**Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A</i> .....	<b>X</b>	
<b>2</b> Is the organization required to complete <i>Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors</i> ? See instructions .....	<b>X</b>	
<b>3</b> Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>5</b> 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 Rev. Proc. 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>6</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>7</b> Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas, or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>8</b> Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>9</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>10</b> Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in donor-restricted endowments or in quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>11</b> 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.		
<b>a</b> Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI</i> .....	<b>X</b>	
<b>b</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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>c</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>d</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX</i> .....	<b>X</b>	
<b>e</b> Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> .....	<b>X</b>	
<b>f</b> 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)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X</i> .....	<b>X</b>	
<b>12a</b> Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI and XII</i> .....	<b>X</b>	
<b>b</b> Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered "No" to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI and XII is optional</i> .....	<b>X</b>	
<b>13</b> Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E</i> .....	<b>X</b>	
<b>14a</b> Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States? .....		<b>X</b>
<b>b</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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>15</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>16</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>17</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I.</i> See instructions .....		<b>X</b>
<b>18</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>19</b> Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>20a</b> Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H</i> .....		<b>X</b>
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach a copy of its audited financial statements to this return? .....		
<b>21</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i> .....		<b>X</b>

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	Yes	No
<b>22</b> 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? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i> .....	22	X
<b>23</b> Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, line 3, 4, or 5, about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i> .....	23	X
<b>24a</b> Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b through 24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25a</i> .....	24a	X
<b>b</b> Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? .....	24b	
<b>c</b> 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	
<b>d</b> Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? .....	24d	
<b>25a Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> .....	25a	X
<b>b</b> Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> .....	25b	X
<b>26</b> Did the organization report any amount on Part X, line 5 or 22, for receivables from or payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i> .....	26	X
<b>27</b> Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor or employee thereof, a grant selection committee member, or to a 35% controlled entity (including an employee thereof) or family member of any of these persons? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i> .....	27	X
<b>28</b> Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties? (See the Schedule L, Part IV, instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions):		
<b>a</b> A current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, or substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> .....	28a	X
<b>b</b> A family member of any individual described in line 28a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> .....	28b	X
<b>c</b> A 35% controlled entity of one or more individuals and/or organizations described in line 28a or 28b? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> .....	28c	X
<b>29</b> Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in noncash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> .....	29	X
<b>30</b> Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> .....	30	X
<b>31</b> Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i> .....	31	X
<b>32</b> Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i> .....	32	X
<b>33</b> Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i> .....	33	X
<b>34</b> Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part II, III, or IV, and Part V, line 1</i> .....	34	X
<b>35a</b> Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? .....	35a	X
<b>b</b> If "Yes" to line 35a, did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> .....	35b	
<b>36 Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> .....	36	X
<b>37</b> Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i> .....	37	X
<b>38</b> Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations on Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11b and 19? .....	38	X

**Note:** All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O

**Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part V

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b> Enter the number reported in box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable .....	1a	28
<b>b</b> Enter the number of Forms W-2G included on line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable .....	1b	0
<b>c</b> Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners? .....	1c	

**Part V** Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

		Yes	No
<b>2a</b>	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements, filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		
	2a		217
<b>b</b>	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	X	
<b>3a</b>	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?		X
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? <i>If "No" to line 3b, provide an explanation on Schedule O</i>		
<b>4a</b>	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		X
<b>b</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).		
<b>5a</b>	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		X
<b>b</b>	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		X
<b>c</b>	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?		
<b>6a</b>	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>b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
<b>7</b>	<b>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>		
<b>a</b>	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>b</b>	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
<b>c</b>	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		X
<b>d</b>	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		7d
<b>e</b>	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		X
<b>f</b>	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		X
<b>g</b>	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
<b>h</b>	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?		
<b>8</b>	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b> Did a donor advised fund maintained by the sponsoring organization have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
<b>9</b>	<b>Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>		
<b>a</b>	Did the sponsoring organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
<b>b</b>	Did the sponsoring organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
<b>10</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter:		
<b>a</b>	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10a	
<b>b</b>	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities	10b	
<b>11</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter:		
<b>a</b>	Gross income from members or shareholders	11a	
<b>b</b>	Gross income from other sources. (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them.)	11b	
<b>12a</b>	<b>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	
<b>13</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>		
<b>a</b>	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? <b>Note:</b> See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a	
<b>b</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	
<b>c</b>	Enter the amount of reserves on hand	13c	
<b>14a</b>	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?		X
<b>b</b>	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? <i>If "No," provide an explanation on Schedule O</i>	14b	
<b>15</b>	Is the organization subject to the section 4960 tax on payment(s) of more than \$1,000,000 in remuneration or excess parachute payment(s) during the year? If "Yes," see the instructions and file Form 4720, Schedule N.	15	X
<b>16</b>	Is the organization an educational institution subject to the section 4968 excise tax on net investment income? If "Yes," complete Form 4720, Schedule O.	16	X
<b>17</b>	<b>Section 501(c)(21) organizations.</b> Did the trust, or any disqualified or other person engage in any activities that would result in the imposition of an excise tax under section 4951, 4952 or 4953? If "Yes," complete Form 6069.	17	

**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 on Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VI

**Section A. Governing Body and Management**

		Yes	No
<b>1a</b>	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year If there are material differences in voting rights among members of the governing body, or if the governing body delegated broad authority to an executive committee or similar committee, explain on Schedule O.		
	1a	10	
<b>b</b>	Enter the number of voting members included on line 1a, above, who are independent		
	1b	10	
<b>2</b>	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?		X
<b>3</b>	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	X	
<b>4</b>	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		X
<b>5</b>	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?		X
<b>6</b>	Did the organization have members or stockholders?	X	
<b>7a</b>	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?		X
<b>b</b>	Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?		X
<b>8</b>	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following:		
<b>a</b>	The governing body?	X	
<b>b</b>	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	X	
<b>9</b>	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 on Schedule O		X

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

		Yes	No
<b>10a</b>	Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		X
<b>b</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?		
<b>10b</b>			
<b>11a</b>	Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	X	
<b>b</b>	Describe on Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990.		
<b>12a</b>	Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	X	
<b>b</b>	Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	X	
<b>c</b>	Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe on Schedule O how this was done	X	
<b>12c</b>			
<b>13</b>	Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	X	
<b>14</b>	Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	X	
<b>15</b>	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?		
<b>a</b>	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official		X
<b>b</b>	Other officers or key employees of the organization		X
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process on Schedule O. See instructions.		
<b>16a</b>	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?		X
<b>b</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?		
<b>16b</b>			

**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 (1024 or 1024-A, 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 on Schedule O)
- 19** Describe on 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  
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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 the 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, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) 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.
- See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

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 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/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(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) PRESTON SMITH CEO	5.00 45.00			X			0.	317,893.	59,582.	
(2) BENJAMIN CARSON CFO	5.00 50.00			X			0.	273,284.	15,159.	
(3) CANDICE BOBO DIRECTOR, SCHOOLS, DC	40.00 0.00				X		193,825.	0.	7,385.	
(4) ASHLEE WATSON REGIONAL DIRECTOR CULTURE	40.00 0.00				X		151,136.	0.	20,398.	
(5) LATOYA PETERSON PRINCIPAL	40.00 0.00				X		160,148.	0.	10,646.	
(6) ZAKIYA SACKOR DIRECTOR, SCHOOLS, DC	40.00 0.00				X		147,884.	0.	21,821.	
(7) JEANICE STEWART PRINCIPAL	40.00 0.00				X		124,161.	0.	44,044.	
(8) RENA JOHNSON CHAIR	2.00 0.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(9) MELISSA MARTIN BOARD SECRETARY	2.00 0.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(10) KAMUZU SAUNDERS TREASURER	2.00 0.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(11) MATT AARON DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(12) JOLENE SLOTER DIRECTOR	2.00 2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(13) NANA APENEM HANSON-HALL DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(14) LAUREN MARCUS DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(15) JENNIFER MCMANUS DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(16) RACHEL TOMMELLEO DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(17) JUSTIN BAKEWELL DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	



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**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
			Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
<b>Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts</b>	<b>1 a</b> Federated campaigns .....	<b>1a</b>					
	<b>b</b> Membership dues .....	<b>1b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Fundraising events .....	<b>1c</b>					
	<b>d</b> Related organizations .....	<b>1d</b>					
	<b>e</b> Government grants (contributions) .....	<b>1e</b>	38,128,660.				
	<b>f</b> All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above ...	<b>1f</b>	75,534.				
	<b>g</b> Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	<b>1g</b>	\$				
	<b>h Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f .....			38,204,194.			
<b>Program Service Revenue</b>	<b>2 a</b> D.C. AFTERCARE	<b>Business Code</b>					
		624110	191,107.	191,107.			
	<b>b</b> _____						
	<b>c</b> _____						
	<b>d</b> _____						
	<b>e</b> _____						
	<b>f</b> All other program service revenue .....						
<b>g Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f .....			191,107.				
<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>3</b> Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) .....		519,198.			519,198.	
	<b>4</b> Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	<b>5</b> Royalties .....						
	<b>6 a</b> Gross rents .....	<b>6a</b>	(i) Real				
			(ii) Personal				
	<b>b</b> Less: rental expenses ...	<b>6b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Rental income or (loss)	<b>6c</b>					
	<b>d</b> Net rental income or (loss) .....						
	<b>7 a</b> Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	<b>7a</b>	(i) Securities				
			(ii) Other				
	<b>b</b> Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses .....	<b>7b</b>					
	<b>c</b> Gain or (loss) .....	<b>7c</b>					
	<b>d</b> Net gain or (loss) .....						
<b>8 a</b> Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 .....	<b>8a</b>						
<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....	<b>8b</b>						
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from fundraising events .....							
<b>9 a</b> Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 .....	<b>9a</b>						
<b>b</b> Less: direct expenses .....	<b>9b</b>						
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from gaming activities .....							
<b>10 a</b> Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances .....	<b>10a</b>						
<b>b</b> Less: cost of goods sold .....	<b>10b</b>						
<b>c</b> Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory .....							
<b>Miscellaneous Revenue</b>	<b>11 a</b> MANAGEMENT FEE FORGIVENESS	<b>Business Code</b>					
		900099	2,375,991.			2375991.	
	<b>b</b> MISCELLANEOUS	900099	50,247.			50,247.	
	<b>c</b> UNIFORM SALES	900099	15,323.			15,323.	
	<b>d</b> All other revenue .....						
<b>e Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d .....			2,441,561.				
<b>12 Total revenue.</b> See instructions .....			41,356,060.	191,107.	0.	2960759.	

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**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 and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21 ...				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22 .....				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16 .....				
4 Benefits paid to or for members .....				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees .....				
6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) .....				
7 Other salaries and wages .....	10,438,987.	10,438,987.		
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	956,894.	956,894.		
9 Other employee benefits .....	79,676.	79,676.		
10 Payroll taxes .....	925,449.	925,449.		
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management .....	4,279,474.		4,279,474.	
b Legal .....	14,987.	14,987.		
c Accounting .....	32,961.	32,961.		
d Lobbying .....				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees .....				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	11,128,280.	11,128,280.		
12 Advertising and promotion .....	596.		596.	
13 Office expenses .....	653,081.	653,081.		
14 Information technology .....	251,068.	251,068.		
15 Royalties .....				
16 Occupancy .....	8,726,208.	8,726,208.		
17 Travel .....	84,377.	70,384.	13,993.	
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials ...				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings .....				
20 Interest .....	1,793.		1,793.	
21 Payments to affiliates .....				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization .....	13,009.		13,009.	
23 Insurance .....	153,591.		153,591.	
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a <b>STUDENT FOOD SERVICES</b>	1,010,028.	1,010,028.		
b <b>INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS</b>	598,103.	598,103.		
c <b>DISTRICT FEE</b>	355,493.		355,493.	
d _____				
e All other expenses _____	350,254.	138,839.	211,415.	
<b>25 Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	40,054,309.	35,024,945.	5,029,364.	0.
<b>26 Joint costs.</b> Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

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**Part X Balance Sheet**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash - non-interest-bearing .....	2,886,140.	<b>1</b>	135,385.
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments .....	4,787,832.	<b>2</b>	7,574,006.
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net .....	1,911,610.	<b>3</b>	1,605,365.
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net .....		<b>4</b>	
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons .....		<b>5</b>	
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) .....		<b>6</b>	
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net .....		<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use .....		<b>8</b>	
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges .....	2,047,186.	<b>9</b>	156,257.
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D .....	<b>10a</b> 137,924.		
	<b>b</b> Less: accumulated depreciation .....	<b>10b</b> 56,013.	94,920.	<b>10c</b> 81,911.
	<b>11</b> Investments - publicly traded securities .....		<b>11</b>	
	<b>12</b> Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>12</b>	
	<b>13</b> Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>13</b>	
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets .....		<b>14</b>	
	<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 .....	118,171,891.	<b>15</b>	116,213,440.
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33) .....	129,899,579.	<b>16</b>	125,766,364.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses .....	907,203.	<b>17</b>	699,818.
	<b>18</b> Grants payable .....		<b>18</b>	
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue .....		<b>19</b>	
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities .....		<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D .....		<b>21</b>	
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons .....		<b>22</b>	
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties .....		<b>23</b>	
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties .....		<b>24</b>	
	<b>25</b> 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 .....	131,269,545.	<b>25</b>	126,041,964.
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 .....	132,176,748.	<b>26</b>	126,741,782.
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Net assets without donor restrictions .....	-2,327,169.	<b>27</b>	-975,418.
	<b>28</b> Net assets with donor restrictions .....	50,000.	<b>28</b>	0.
	<b>Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 29 through 33.</b>			
	<b>29</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds .....		<b>29</b>	
	<b>30</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund .....		<b>30</b>	
	<b>31</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds .....		<b>31</b>	
	<b>32</b> Total net assets or fund balances .....	-2,277,169.	<b>32</b>	-975,418.
<b>33</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances .....	129,899,579.	<b>33</b>	125,766,364.	

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**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XI

<b>1</b>	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1</b>	41,356,060.
<b>2</b>	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>2</b>	40,054,309.
<b>3</b>	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	<b>3</b>	1,301,751.
<b>4</b>	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	<b>4</b>	-2,277,169.
<b>5</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>5</b>	
<b>6</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>6</b>	
<b>7</b>	Investment expenses	<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b>	Prior period adjustments	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b>	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain on Schedule O)	<b>9</b>	0.
<b>10</b>	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	<b>10</b>	-975,418.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

		Yes	No
<b>1</b>	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990: <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on Schedule O.		
<b>2a</b>	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? _____ If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis		<b>X</b>
<b>b</b>	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? _____ If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both: <input type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separate basis	<b>X</b>	
<b>c</b>	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 on Schedule O.	<b>X</b>	
<b>3a</b>	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F? _____	<b>X</b>	
<b>b</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 on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits _____	<b>X</b>	

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**Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)**

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2020	(b) 2021	(c) 2022	(d) 2023	(e) 2024	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") .....						
<b>2</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf .....						
<b>3</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge .....						
<b>4 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 3 .....						
<b>5</b> 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) .....						
<b>6 Public support.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4.						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2020	(b) 2021	(c) 2022	(d) 2023	(e) 2024	(f) Total
<b>7</b> Amounts from line 4 .....						
<b>8</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources .....						
<b>9</b> Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on .....						
<b>10</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) .....						
<b>11 Total support.</b> Add lines 7 through 10						
<b>12</b> Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions) .....					12	
<b>13 First 5 years.</b> If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and <b>stop here</b> .....						<input type="checkbox"/>

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

<b>14</b> Public support percentage for 2024 (line 6, column (f), divided by line 11, column (f)) .....	14	%
<b>15</b> Public support percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part II, line 14 .....	15	%
<b>16a 33 1/3% support test - 2024.</b> If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 33 1/3% support test - 2023.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2024.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2023.</b> 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 <b>stop here.</b> Explain in Part VI how the organization meets the facts-and-circumstances test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization .....		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>18 Private foundation.</b> If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a, or 17b, check this box and see instructions .....		<input type="checkbox"/>

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

**Section A. Public Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2020	(b) 2021	(c) 2022	(d) 2023	(e) 2024	(f) Total
<b>1</b> Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received. (Do not include any "unusual grants.") .....						
<b>2</b> 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 .....						
<b>3</b> Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513 .....						
<b>4</b> Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf .....						
<b>5</b> The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge .....						
<b>6 Total.</b> Add lines 1 through 5 .....						
<b>7a</b> Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons .....						
<b>b</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 .....						
<b>c</b> Add lines 7a and 7b .....						
<b>8 Public support.</b> (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)						

**Section B. Total Support**

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2020	(b) 2021	(c) 2022	(d) 2023	(e) 2024	(f) Total
<b>9</b> Amounts from line 6 .....						
<b>10a</b> Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources .....						
<b>b</b> Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975 .....						
<b>c</b> Add lines 10a and 10b .....						
<b>11</b> Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on .....						
<b>12</b> Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.) .....						
<b>13 Total support.</b> (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)						

**14 First 5 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**

<b>15</b> Public support percentage for 2024 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) .....	<b>15</b>	%
<b>16</b> Public support percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 .....	<b>16</b>	%

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

<b>17</b> Investment income percentage for <b>2024</b> (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) .....	<b>17</b>	%
<b>18</b> Investment income percentage from <b>2023</b> Schedule A, Part III, line 17 .....	<b>18</b>	%

**19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2024.** 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 - 2023.** 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 12 of Part I. If you checked box 12a, Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

**Section A. All Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>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.</i>		
<b>2</b> Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
<b>3a</b> Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c below.</i>		
<b>b</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)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
<b>4a</b> Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>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.</i>		
<b>c</b> 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)? <i>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.</i>		
<b>5a</b> Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 5b and 5c 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).</i>		
<b>b Type I or Type II only.</b> Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
<b>c Substitutions only.</b> Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
<b>6</b> Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>7</b> Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).</i>		
<b>8</b> Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described on line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).</i>		
<b>9a</b> 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))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined on line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did a disqualified person (as defined on line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>10a</b> Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer line 10b below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		

**Part IV Supporting Organizations** (continued)

	Yes	No
<b>11</b> Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons?		
<b>a</b> A person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described on lines 11b and 11c below, the governing body of a supported organization?		
<b>b</b> A family member of a person described on line 11a above?		
<b>c</b> A 35% controlled entity of a person described on line 11a or 11b above? <i>If "Yes" to line 11a, 11b, or 11c, provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>11a</b>		
<b>11b</b>		
<b>11c</b>		

**Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Did the governing body, members of the governing body, officers acting in their official capacity, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees at all times during the tax year? <i>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 officers, directors, or trustees were allocated among the supported organizations and what conditions or restrictions, if any, applied to such powers during the tax year.</i>		
<b>2</b> 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? <i>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.</i>		
<b>1</b>		
<b>2</b>		

**Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> 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)? <i>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).</i>		
<b>1</b>		

**Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Did the organization provide to each of its supported organizations, by the last day of the fifth month of the organization's tax year, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided?		
<b>2</b> 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? <i>If "No," explain in Part VI how the organization maintained a close and continuous working relationship with the supported organization(s).</i>		
<b>3</b> By reason of the relationship described on line 2, above, 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? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role the organization's supported organizations played in this regard.</i>		
<b>1</b>		
<b>2</b>		
<b>3</b>		

**Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations**

<b>1</b> Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions).		
<b>a</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization satisfied the Activities Test. Complete line 2 below.		
<b>b</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization is the parent of each of its supported organizations. Complete line 3 below.		
<b>c</b> <input type="checkbox"/> The organization supported a governmental entity. Describe in Part VI how you supported a governmental entity (see instructions).		
<b>2</b> Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below.		
<b>a</b> 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? <i>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.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the activities described on line 2a, above, constitute activities that, but for the organization's involvement, one or more of the organization's supported organization(s) would have been engaged in? <i>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.</i>		
<b>3</b> Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below.		
<b>a</b> 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? <i>If "Yes" or "No," provide details in Part VI.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization exercise a substantial degree of direction over the policies, programs, and activities of each of its supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI the role played by the organization in this regard.</i>		
<b>2a</b>		
<b>2b</b>		
<b>3a</b>		
<b>3b</b>		

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**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 ( *explain in Part VI*). 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	
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 <b>Adjusted Net Income</b> (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8	

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 <b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e <b>Discount</b> claimed for blockage or other factors ( <i>explain in detail in Part VI</i> ):		
2 Acquisition indebtedness applicable to non-exempt-use assets	2	
3 Subtract line 2 from line 1d.	3	
4 Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5 Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6 Multiply line 5 by 0.035.	6	
7 Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8 <b>Minimum Asset Amount</b> (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount		Current Year
1 Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1	
2 Enter 0.85 of line 1.	2	
3 Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)	3	
4 Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4	
5 Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6 <b>Distributable Amount.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6	
7 <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if the current year is the organization's first as a non-functionally integrated Type III supporting organization (see instructions).		

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

		Current Year
<b>1</b> Amounts paid to supported organizations to accomplish exempt purposes	<b>1</b>	
<b>2</b> Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	<b>2</b>	
<b>3</b> Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	<b>3</b>	
<b>4</b> Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	<b>4</b>	
<b>5</b> Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required - <i>provide details in Part VI</i> )	<b>5</b>	
<b>6</b> Other distributions (describe in <b>Part VI</b> ). See instructions.	<b>6</b>	
<b>7 Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 6.	<b>7</b>	
<b>8</b> Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive ( <i>provide details in Part VI</i> ). See instructions.	<b>8</b>	
<b>9</b> Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6	<b>9</b>	
<b>10</b> Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	<b>10</b>	

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2024	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2024
<b>1</b> Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6			
<b>2</b> Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2024 (reasonable cause required - <i>explain in Part VI</i> ). See instructions.			
<b>3</b> Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2024			
<b>a</b> From 2019			
<b>b</b> From 2020			
<b>c</b> From 2021			
<b>d</b> From 2022			
<b>e</b> From 2023			
<b>f Total</b> of lines 3a through 3e			
<b>g</b> Applied to under distributions of prior years			
<b>h</b> Applied to 2024 distributable amount			
<b>i</b> Carryover from 2019 not applied (see instructions)			
<b>j</b> Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.			
<b>4</b> Distributions for 2024 from Section D, line 7: \$			
<b>a</b> Applied to underdistributions of prior years			
<b>b</b> Applied to 2024 distributable amount			
<b>c</b> Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.			
<b>5</b> Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2024, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, <i>explain in Part VI</i> . See instructions.			
<b>6</b> Remaining underdistributions for 2024. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, <i>explain in Part VI</i> . See instructions.			
<b>7 Excess distributions carryover to 2025.</b> Add lines 3j and 4c.			
<b>8</b> Breakdown of line 7:			
<b>a</b> Excess from 2020			
<b>b</b> Excess from 2021			
<b>c</b> Excess from 2022			
<b>d</b> Excess from 2023			
<b>e</b> Excess from 2024			

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**Part VI**

**Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information.  
(See instructions.)

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**Schedule B  
(Form 990)**

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Schedule of Contributors**

Attach to Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.  
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Name of the organization <b>ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL INC</b>	Employer identification number <b>47-3468345</b>
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Organization type (check one):

**Filers of:**

**Section:**

Form 990 or 990-EZ

501(c)( 3 ) (enter number) organization

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust **not** treated as a private foundation

527 political organization

Form 990-PF

501(c)(3) exempt private foundation

4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust treated as a private foundation

501(c)(3) taxable private foundation

Check if your organization is covered by the **General Rule** or a **Special Rule**.

**Note:** Only a section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) organization can check boxes for both the General Rule and a Special Rule. See instructions.

**General Rule**

For an organization filing Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF that received, during the year, contributions totaling \$5,000 or more (in money or property) from any one contributor. Complete Parts I and II. See instructions for determining a contributor's total contributions.

**Special Rules**

For an organization described in section 501(c)(3) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that met the 33 1/3% support test of the regulations under sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi), that checked Schedule A (Form 990), Part II, line 13, 16a, or 16b, and that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of the greater of **(1)** \$5,000; or **(2)** 2% of the amount on (i) Form 990, Part VIII, line 1h; or (ii) Form 990-EZ, line 1. Complete Parts I and II.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, total contributions of more than \$1,000 *exclusively* for religious, charitable, scientific, literary, or educational purposes, or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals. Complete Parts I (entering "N/A" in column (b) instead of the contributor name and address), II, and III.

For an organization described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) filing Form 990 or 990-EZ that received from any one contributor, during the year, contributions *exclusively* for religious, charitable, etc., purposes, but no such contributions totaled more than \$1,000. If this box is checked, enter here the total contributions that were received during the year for an *exclusively* religious, charitable, etc., purpose. Don't complete any of the parts unless the **General Rule** applies to this organization because it received *nonexclusively* religious, charitable, etc., contributions totaling \$5,000 or more during the year ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Caution:** An organization that isn't covered by the General Rule and/or the Special Rules doesn't file Schedule B (Form 990), but it **must** answer "No" on Part IV, line 2, of its Form 990; or check the box on line H of its Form 990-EZ or on its Form 990-PF, Part I, line 2, to certify that it doesn't meet the filing requirements of Schedule B (Form 990).

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the instructions for Form 990, 990-EZ, or 990-PF.

Schedule B (Form 990) (Rev. 12-2024)

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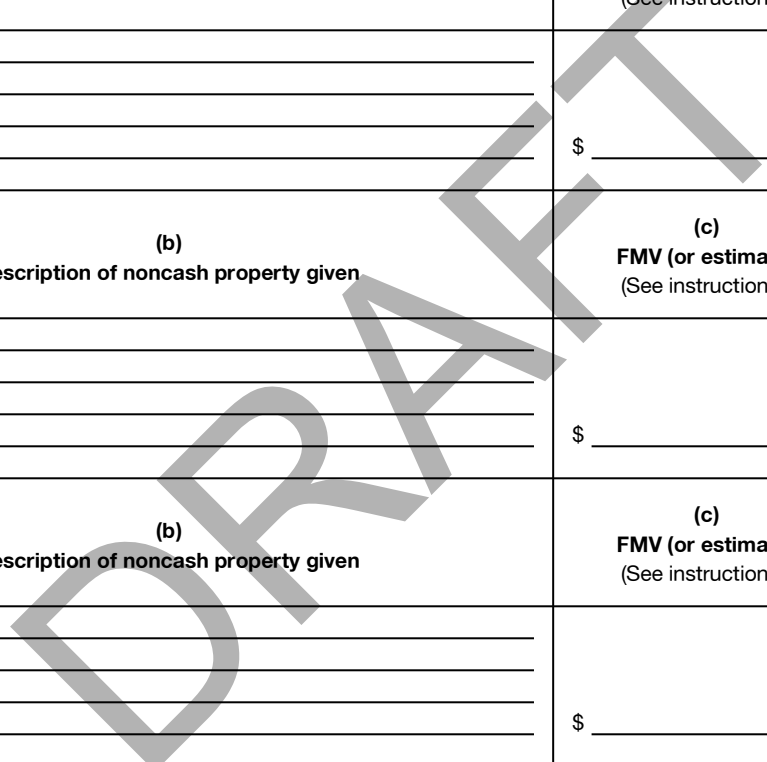
**Part I Contributors** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part I if additional space is needed.

(a) No.	(b) Name, address, and ZIP + 4	(c) Total contributions	(d) Type of contribution
1	<b>MORRIS GWENDOLYN FOUNDATION</b>  1825 K STREET NW, SUITE 600  WASHINGTON, DC 20006	\$ 50,000.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
2	<b>TEACH FOR AMERICA</b>  1805 7TH STREET NW  WASHINGTON, DC 20012	\$ 21,429.	Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Payroll <input type="checkbox"/> Noncash <input type="checkbox"/> (Complete Part II for noncash contributions.)
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**Part II Noncash Property** (see instructions). Use duplicate copies of Part II if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Description of noncash property given	(c) FMV (or estimate) (See instructions.)	(d) Date received
	_____	\$ _____	_____
	_____	\$ _____	_____
	_____	\$ _____	_____
	_____	\$ _____	_____
	_____	\$ _____	_____
	_____	\$ _____	_____
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**Part III** Exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions to organizations described in section 501(c)(7), (8), or (10) that total more than \$1,000 for the year from any one contributor. Complete columns (a) through (e) and the following line entry. For organizations completing Part III, enter the total of exclusively religious, charitable, etc., contributions of \$1,000 or less for the year. (Enter this info. once.) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Use duplicate copies of Part III if additional space is needed.

(a) No. from Part I	(b) Purpose of gift	(c) Use of gift	(d) Description of how gift is held
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	
(e) Transfer of gift			
Transferee's name, address, and ZIP + 4		Relationship of transferor to transferee	

**SCHEDULE D**  
**(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Financial Statements**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990,  
Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b.

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Name of the organization **ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC CHARTER  
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Employer identification number  
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**Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

**Part II Conservation Easements.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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 (for example, 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.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements .....	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements .....	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included on line 2a .....	2c
d Number of conservation easements included on line 2c acquired after July 25, 2006, 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? .....

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year \_\_\_\_\_

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year \_\_\_\_\_

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2d above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? .....

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" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB 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 FASB 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 on 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 FASB ASC 958 relating to these items:

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ..... \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

- 1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian, or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?  Yes  No
- b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- |                                 | Amount |
|---------------------------------|--------|
| c Beginning balance             | 1c     |
| d Additions during the year     | 1d     |
| e Distributions during the year | 1e     |
| f Ending balance                | 1f     |
- 2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21, 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" on 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					
b Contributions					
c Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

- 2 Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a Board designated or quasi-endowment \_\_\_\_\_ %
  - b Permanent endowment \_\_\_\_\_ %
  - c Term endowment \_\_\_\_\_ %
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.
- 3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- |  | Yes    | No |
|--|--------|----|
| (i) Unrelated organizations?   | 3a(i)  |    |
| (ii) Related organizations?  | 3a(ii) |    |
| b If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | 3b     |    |
- 4 Describe in Part XIII the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds.

**Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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				
b Buildings		95,070.	14,837.	80,233.
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		42,854.	41,176.	1,678.
e Other				
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 10c, column (B))				<b>81,911.</b>

**Part VII Investments - Other Securities**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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 .....		
(2) Closely held equity interests .....		
(3) Other .....		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 12, col. (B))		

**Part VIII Investments - Program Related.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 13, col. (B))		

**Part IX Other Assets**

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

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS - OPERATING	116,152,573.
(2) RIGHT-OF-USE ASSETS - FINANCE LEASES	60,867.
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 15, col. (B))	116,213,440.

**Part X Other Liabilities**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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	
(2) PAYABLE TO ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION	267,816.
(3) LEASE LIABILITIES - OPERATING	125,713,646.
(4) LEASE LIABILITIES - FINANCE LEASES	60,502.
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 25, col. (B))	126,041,964.

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 FASB 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" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		<b>1</b>	41,356,060.
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
<b>a</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>2a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Recoveries of prior year grants	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>2d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Add lines 2a through 2d		<b>2e</b>	0.
<b>3</b>	Subtract line 2e from line 1		<b>3</b>	41,356,060.
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Add lines 4a and 4b		<b>4c</b>	0.
<b>5</b>	Total revenue. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		<b>5</b>	41,356,060.

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

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

<b>1</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		<b>1</b>	40,054,309.
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
<b>a</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Prior year adjustments	<b>2b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Other losses	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>2d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Add lines 2a through 2d		<b>2e</b>	0.
<b>3</b>	Subtract line 2e from line 1		<b>3</b>	40,054,309.
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Add lines 4a and 4b		<b>4c</b>	0.
<b>5</b>	Total expenses. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		<b>5</b>	40,054,309.

**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 X, LINE 2:**

THE SCHOOL IS EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAX UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND IS NOT CLASSIFIED AS A PRIVATE FOUNDATION. THE SCHOOL EVALUATES UNCERTAINTY IN INCOME TAX POSITIONS TAKEN OR EXPECTED TO BE TAKEN ON A TAX RETURN BASED ON A MORE-LIKELY-THAN- NOT RECOGNITION STANDARD. IF THAT THRESHOLD IS MET, THE TAX POSITION IS THEN MEASURED AT THE LARGEST AMOUNT THAT IS GREATER THAN 50% LIKELY OF BEING REALIZED UPON ULTIMATE SETTLEMENT. AS OF JUNE 30, 2025 AND 2024, THERE ARE NO ACCRUALS FOR UNCERTAIN TAX POSITIONS. IF APPLICABLE, THE SCHOOL RECORDS INTEREST AND PENALTIES AS A COMPONENT OF INCOME TAX EXPENSE. TAX YEARS FROM 2021 THROUGH THE CURRENT YEAR REMAIN OPEN FOR EXAMINATION BY TAX AUTHORITIES.

**Part XIII** Supplemental Information *(continued)*

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**SCHEDULE E  
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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Schools**

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

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Name of the organization	<b>ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL INC</b>	Employer identification number	<b>47-3468345</b>
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**Part I**

	YES	NO
1 Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body? .....	<b>X</b>	
2 Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	<b>X</b>	
3 Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy on its primary publicly accessible Internet homepage at all times during its tax year in a manner reasonably expected to be noticed by visitors to the homepage, or through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If "Yes," please describe. If "No," please explain. If you need more space, use Part II .....	<b>X</b>	
<b>WE INCLUDE THIS INFORMATION IN THE LOTTERY MATERIALS &amp; THE NSLP BID MATERIALS THAT WE PROCESS ANNUALLY.</b>		
4 Does the organization maintain the following:		
a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff? .....	<b>X</b>	
b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis? .....		<b>X</b>
c Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships? .....	<b>X</b>	
d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? .....	<b>X</b>	
If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain. If you need more space, use Part II.		
<b>THE ORGANIZATION DOES NOT PROVIDE ANY SCHOLARSHIPS OR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.</b>		
5 Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:		
a Students' rights or privileges? .....		<b>X</b>
b Admissions policies? .....		<b>X</b>
c Employment of faculty or administrative staff? .....		<b>X</b>
d Scholarships or other financial assistance? .....		<b>X</b>
e Educational policies? .....		<b>X</b>
f Use of facilities? .....		<b>X</b>
g Athletic programs? .....		<b>X</b>
h Other extracurricular activities? .....		<b>X</b>
If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. If you need more space, use Part II.		
6a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency? .....	<b>X</b>	
b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? .....		<b>X</b>
If you answered "Yes" on either line 6a or line 6b, explain in Part II.		
7 Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4.01 through 4.05 of Rev. Proc. 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, as modified by Rev. Proc. 2019-22, 2019-22 I.R.B. 1260, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," explain in Part II .....	<b>X</b>	

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**Part II** **Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part I, lines 3, 4d, 5h, 6b, and 7, as applicable. Also provide any other additional information. See instructions.

**LINE 6B - EXPLANATION OF GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL AID:**  
**THE ORGANIZATION IS A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL AND RECEIVES FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDING.**

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**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Compensation Information**

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest  
Compensated Employees  
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.  
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**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

**1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel             | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as maid, chauffeur, chef) |

**b** If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain .....

**2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a? .....

**3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee              | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations     | <input type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

**4** During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? .....
- b** Participate in or receive payment from a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? .....
- c** Participate in or receive payment from an equity-based compensation arrangement? .....
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

**Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.**

**5** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- a** The organization? .....
- b** Any related organization? .....
- If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

**6** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- a** The organization? .....
- b** Any related organization? .....
- If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

**7** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....

**8** Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....

**9** If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)? .....

	Yes	No
<b>1b</b>		
<b>2</b>		
<b>4a</b>		X
<b>4b</b>		X
<b>4c</b>		X
<b>5a</b>		X
<b>5b</b>		X
<b>6a</b>		X
<b>6b</b>		X
<b>7</b>		X
<b>8</b>		X
<b>9</b>		

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ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC CHARTER

Schedule J (Form 990) (Rev. 12-2024) SCHOOL INC

47-3468345

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

**Note:** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC and/or 1099-NEC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) PRESTON SMITH CEO	(i)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
	(ii)	317,893.	0.	0.	23,000.	36,582.	377,475.	0.
(2) BENJAMIN CARSON CFO	(i)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
	(ii)	273,284.	0.	0.	7,746.	7,413.	288,443.	0.
(3) CANDICE BOBO DIRECTOR, SCHOOLS, DC	(i)	193,825.	0.	0.	0.	7,385.	201,210.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(4) ASHLEE WATSON REGIONAL DIRECTOR CULTURE	(i)	151,136.	0.	0.	3,299.	17,099.	171,534.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(5) LATOYA PETERSON PRINCIPAL	(i)	160,148.	0.	0.	0.	10,646.	170,794.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(6) ZAKIYA SACKOR DIRECTOR, SCHOOLS, DC	(i)	147,884.	0.	0.	5,623.	16,198.	169,705.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(7) JEANICE STEWART PRINCIPAL	(i)	124,161.	0.	0.	9,961.	34,083.	168,205.	0.
	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							

**Part III Supplemental Information**

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

**PART I, LINE 3:**

THE ORGANIZATION HAS A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION, RELATED ENTITY, AND THE CEO IS COMPENSATED BY THE RELATED ENTITY. THE METHODS USED BY THE RELATED ENTITY TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION INCLUDE A WRITTEN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT, COMPENSATION STUDY, AND APPROVAL BY THE BOARD.

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**SCHEDULE O  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)

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.

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FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:  
 INSTRUCTIONAL MODEL IS A TEACHER-LED, TECHNOLOGY SUPPORTED APPROACH TO PERSONALIZED LEARNING THAT MATCHES EACH STUDENT WITH THE RIGHT CONTENT AT THE RIGHT TIME UTILIZING THE RIGHT METHOD OF INSTRUCTION. BY DEEPLY ENGAGING PARENTS IN THEIR STUDENT'S LEARNING AND THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY, ROCKETSHIP DEVELOPS PARENTS WHO BECOME LIFELONG ADVOCATES FOR THEIR CHILDREN AND THEIR COMMUNITY. WORKING ALONGSIDE PARENTS, COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, DISTRICTS, AND OTHER CHARTER SCHOOLS, ROCKETSHIP IS CATALYZING A MOVEMENT TO ELIMINATE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP IN OUR LIFETIME.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 3:  
 THE ORGANIZATION HAS A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION, A RELATED ENTITY, WHICH PROVIDES OPERATIONAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT TO ORGANIZATION. INCLUDED IN THESE SERVICES PROVIDED ARE DATA, FINANCE, HR, OPERATIONS, RECRUITING AND TECHNOLOGY.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6:  
 ROCKETHSHIP EDUCATION INC. IS THE SOLE MEMBER OF ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B:  
 THE FORM 990 IS PREPARED BY THE ORGANIZATION'S OUTSIDE PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM BASED ON INFORMATION PROVIDED BY MANAGEMENT. ONCE THE DRAFT OF THE RETURN IS AVAILABLE, IT IS REVIEWED BY MANAGEMENT WITH ANY CHANGES OR REVISIONS INCORPORATED INTO THE FILING. THE REVISED RETURN IS THEN SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THEIR REVIEW AND APPROVAL PRIOR TO SUBMITTING TO THE IRS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:  
 THE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AND TRUSTEES ALL SIGN THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY ON AN ANNUAL BASIS. ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION, INCORPORATED ASSIGNS POSITIONS TO SPECIFIC REPORTING CATEGORIES BASED ON THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES. CATEGORY 1 POSITIONS MUST REPORT INTERESTS IN REAL PROPERTY WITHIN ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION'S BOUNDARIES OR WITHIN TWO MILES OF THE PROPERTY USED OR POTENTIAL SITE. THEY ALSO NEED TO REPORT INVESTMENTS AND BUSINESS POSITIONS IN ENTITIES OR INCOME (INCLUDING GIFTS, LOANS, AND TRAVEL PAYMENTS) FROM SOURCES THAT ENGAGE IN THE ACQUISITION OR DISPOSAL OF REAL PROPERTY OR ARE INVOLVED IN BUILDING CONSTRUCTION OR DESIGN FOR SCHOOL DISTRICTS. CATEGORY 2 POSITIONS MUST REPORT INVESTMENTS AND BUSINESS POSITIONS IN ENTITIES AND INCOME (INCLUDING GIFTS, LOANS, AND TRAVEL PAYMENTS) FROM SOURCES THAT ARE CONTRACTORS ENGAGED IN WORK, TRAINING, CONSULTING, OR SERVICES, OR SOURCES THAT MANUFACTURE OR SELL SUPPLIES, INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS, MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, OR VEHICLES USED BY ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION, INCORPORATED. CATEGORY 3 POSITIONS MUST REPORT INVESTMENTS AND BUSINESS POSITIONS IN ENTITIES AND INCOME (INCLUDING GIFTS, LOANS, AND TRAVEL PAYMENTS) FROM SOURCES THAT ARE CONTRACTORS ENGAGED IN WORK, TRAINING, CONSULTING, OR SERVICES, OR SOURCES THAT MANUFACTURE OR SELL SUPPLIES, INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS, MACHINERY, EQUIPMENT, OR VEHICLES USED BY THE DESIGNATED POSITION'S DEPARTMENT. FOR PRINCIPALS, THIS INCLUDES THEIR ENTIRE SCHOOL.

THE DESIGNATED POSITIONS AND THEIR ASSIGNED DISCLOSURE CATEGORIES ARE AS

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Schedule O (Form 990) (Rev. 12-2024)

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Name of the organization	ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL INC	Employer identification number	47-3468345
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FOLLOWS: BOARD MEMBERS (1, 2, 3), CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (1, 2), CHIEF BUSINESS OFFICER (1, 2), CHIEF PROGRAM OFFICER (1, 2), CHIEF GROWTH & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OFFICER (1, 2), PRESIDENT OF SCHOOLS (1, 2), VICE PRESIDENT OF SCHOOLS (1, 2), VICE PRESIDENT, FACILITIES AND TREASURY (1, 2), VICE PRESIDENT, STRATEGY AND SCALABILITY (1), VICE PRESIDENT HUMAN RESOURCES (3), VICE PRESIDENT OF PERSONALIZED LEARNING AND ACHIEVEMENT (3), DIRECTOR OPERATIONS (3), SENIOR DIRECTOR INTEGRATED SPECIAL EDUCATION (3), LEGAL COUNSEL (3), AND SCHOOL PRINCIPAL (3).

THOSE INVOLVED IN RELATIONSHIPS OR SITUATIONS THAT COULD CONSTITUTE A CONFLICT OF INTEREST MUST IMMEDIATELY DISCLOSE THE RELEVANT CIRCUMSTANCES TO THEIR SUPERVISOR OR THE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES. THE SUPERVISOR OR DIRECTOR OF HUMAN RESOURCES WILL THEN DISCLOSE THESE CIRCUMSTANCES TO THE RSED GENERAL COUNSEL OR CEO FOR A DETERMINATION. IF A CONFLICT IS FOUND, ROCKETSHIP MAY TAKE CORRECTIVE ACTION AS APPROPRIATE. FAILURE TO ADHERE TO THESE GUIDELINES, INCLUDING FAILURE TO DISCLOSE CONFLICTS OR SEEK EXCEPTIONS, MAY RESULT IN DISCIPLINARY ACTION, UP TO AND INCLUDING DISCHARGE.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:

THE GOVERNING DOCUMENTS, CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY, AND THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ARE READILY AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST.

FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, OTHER FEES:

CONSULTANTS - AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	7,886,510.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	7,886,510.

CONTRACTED SUBSTITUTES:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	527,196.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	527,196.

SPED CONSULTANTS:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	1,259,892.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	1,259,892.

OTHER FEES FOR SERVICES:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	869,493.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	869,493.

SECURITY SERVICES:

PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES	585,189.
MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES	0.
FUNDRAISING EXPENSES	0.
TOTAL EXPENSES	585,189.

TOTAL OTHER FEES ON FORM 990, PART IX, LINE 11G, COL A	11,128,280.
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FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C:

Name of the organization ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL INC	Employer identification number 47-3468345
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THE PROCESS FOR OVERSIGHT AND SELECTION OF AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT  
HAS NOT CHANGED FROM THE PRIOR YEAR.

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**SCHEDULE R  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. January 2025)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships**  
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.  
Attach to Form 990.

OMB No. 1545-0047

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Inspection**

Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.

Name of the organization **ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL INC** Employer identification number **47-3468345**

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

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

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION - 20-4040597 2001 GATEWAY PLACE, STE. 230E SAN JOSE, CA 95110	CHARTER SCHOOL	CALIFORNIA	501(C)(3)	LINE 2	N/A		X
LAUNCHPAD DEVELOPMENT COMPANY - 27-1813337 2001 GATEWAY PLACE, STE. 230E SAN JOSE, CA 95110	SUPPORTING	CALIFORNIA	501(C)(3)	LINE 12A, I	ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION		X
ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISCONSIN INC. - 90-0951861, 2001 GATEWAY PLACE, STE. 230E, SAN JOSE, CA 95110	CHARTER SCHOOL	WISCONSIN	501(C)(3)	LINE 2	ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION		X

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Schedule R (Form 990) (Rev. 1-2025)

ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC CHARTER

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

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

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

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

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

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

**1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

- a** Receipt of **(i)** interest, **(ii)** annuities, **(iii)** royalties, or **(iv)** rent from a controlled entity .....
- b** Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s) .....
- c** Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s) .....
- d** Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s) .....
- e** Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s) .....
  
- f** Dividends from related organization(s) .....
- g** Sale of assets to related organization(s) .....
- h** Purchase of assets from related organization(s) .....
- i** Exchange of assets with related organization(s) .....
- j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s) .....
  
- k** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s) .....
- l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s) .....
- m** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s) .....
- n** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s) .....
- o** Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s) .....
  
- p** Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses .....
- q** Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses .....
  
- r** Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s) .....
- s** Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s) .....

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b>		X
<b>1b</b>		X
<b>1c</b>		X
<b>1d</b>		X
<b>1e</b>		X
<b>1f</b>		X
<b>1g</b>		X
<b>1h</b>		X
<b>1i</b>		X
<b>1j</b>		X
<b>1k</b>	X	
<b>1l</b>		X
<b>1m</b>	X	
<b>1n</b>		X
<b>1o</b>	X	
<b>1p</b>		X
<b>1q</b>		X
<b>1r</b>		X
<b>1s</b>	X	

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

	(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
<b>(1)</b>				
<b>(2)</b>				
<b>(3)</b>				
<b>(4)</b>				
<b>(5)</b>				
<b>(6)</b>				



**Part VII Supplemental Information**

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R. See instructions.

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January 27, 2026

ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISCONSIN INC  
2001 GATEWAY PLACE 230E  
SAN JOSE, CA 95110

ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISCONSIN INC:

Enclosed is the organization's 2024 Exempt Organization return.

Specific filing instructions are as follows.

**FORM 990 RETURN:**

This return has qualified for electronic filing. After you have reviewed the return for completeness and accuracy, please sign, date and return Form 8879-TE to our office. We will transmit the return electronically to the IRS and no further action is required. Please return Form 8879-TE to us as soon as possible, but no later than by May 15, 2026 the filing deadline.

In addition, tax-exempt organizations must make available for public inspection a copy of their annual returns for the preceding three years and exemption application, if applicable. An organization generally must furnish filings to anyone who requests them in person or in writing. An exempt organization may meet this requirement by posting all the documents on its website or at another organizations site as part of a database of similar materials. Specific requirements must be met to meet this exception.

**A few final reminders relating to your tax return filings:**

- There are substantial penalties for failure to properly disclose and report foreign financial accounts and foreign activity. Please make sure you have informed us of any foreign financial accounts or foreign activity so that we have the necessary information to complete any required disclosures or filings.
- Be sure to review the returns prior to signing as you have final responsibility for all information included in the returns. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns.
- We recommend you keep a paper or electronic copy of your tax returns permanently. Supporting documentation should be kept for a minimum of seven years based on IRS guidance.

CLA exists to create opportunities – for our clients, our people, and our communities. We value our relationship with you and thank you for your trust and confidence in allowing us to serve you. If we can assist you in making strategic, informed decisions in areas of tax or beyond, please contact us as questions arise throughout the year.

Sincerely,

CliftonLarsonAllen LLP



CliftonLarsonAllen LLP  
CLAconnect.com

**ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISCONSIN INC**  
**FORM 990 INCOME TAX RETURN**  
**FOR YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025**

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Form **8879-TE**

# IRS E-file Signature Authorization for a Tax Exempt Entity

OMB No. 1545-0047

For calendar year 2024, or fiscal year beginning JUL 1, 2024, and ending JUN 30, 2025

# 2024

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Do not send to the IRS. Keep for your records.**  
Go to [www.irs.gov/Form8879TE](http://www.irs.gov/Form8879TE) for the latest information.

Name of filer

**ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISCONSIN INC**

EIN or SSN

**90-0951861**

Name and title of officer or person subject to tax

**BENJAMIN CARSON  
CFO**

## Part I Type of Return and Return Information

Check the box for the return for which you are using this Form 8879-TE and enter the applicable amount, if any, from the return. Form 8038-CP and Form 5330 filers may enter dollars and cents. For all other forms, enter whole dollars only. If you check the box on line 1a, 2a, 3a, 4a, 5a, 6a, 7a, 8a, 9a, or 10a below, and the amount on that line for the return being filed with this form was blank, then leave line 1b, 2b, 3b, 4b, 5b, 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, or 10b, whichever is applicable, blank (do not enter -0-). But, if you entered -0- on the return, then enter -0- on the applicable line below. **Do not complete more than one line in Part I.**

<b>1a</b> Form 990 check here	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total revenue, if any (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>1b</b> <u>10,777,880.</u>
<b>2a</b> Form 990-EZ check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total revenue, if any (Form 990-EZ, line 9)	<b>2b</b> _____
<b>3a</b> Form 1120-POL check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total tax (Form 1120-POL, line 22)	<b>3b</b> _____
<b>4a</b> Form 990-PF check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Tax based on investment income (Form 990-PF, Part V, line 5)	<b>4b</b> _____
<b>5a</b> Form 8868 check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Balance due (Form 8868, line 3c)	<b>5b</b> _____
<b>6a</b> Form 990-T check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total tax (Form 990-T, Part III, line 4)	<b>6b</b> _____
<b>7a</b> Form 4720 check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Total tax (Form 4720, Part III, line 1)	<b>7b</b> _____
<b>8a</b> Form 5227 check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> FMV of assets at end of tax year (Form 5227, Item D)	<b>8b</b> _____
<b>9a</b> Form 5330 check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Tax due (Form 5330, Part II, line 19)	<b>9b</b> _____
<b>10a</b> Form 8038-CP check here	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>b</b> Amount of credit payment requested (Form 8038-CP, Part III, line 22)	<b>10b</b> _____

## Part II Declaration and Signature Authorization of Officer or Person Subject to Tax

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that  I am an officer of the above entity or  I am a person subject to tax with respect to (name of entity) \_\_\_\_\_, (EIN) \_\_\_\_\_ and that I have examined a copy of the 2024 electronic return and accompanying schedules and statements, and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are true, correct, and complete. I further declare that the amount in Part I above is the amount shown on the copy of the electronic return. I consent to allow my intermediate service provider, transmitter, or electronic return originator (ERO) to send the return to the IRS and to receive from the IRS (a) an acknowledgement of receipt or reason for rejection of the transmission, (b) the reason for any delay in processing the return or refund, and (c) the date of any refund. If applicable, I authorize the U.S. Treasury and its designated Financial Agent to initiate an electronic funds withdrawal (direct debit) entry to the financial institution account indicated in the tax preparation software for payment of the federal taxes owed on this return, and the financial institution to debit the entry to this account. To revoke a payment, I must contact the U.S. Treasury Financial Agent at 1-888-353-4537 no later than 2 business days prior to the payment (settlement) date. I also authorize the financial institutions involved in the processing of the electronic payment of taxes to receive confidential information necessary to answer inquiries and resolve issues related to the payment. I have selected a personal identification number (PIN) as my signature for the electronic return and, if applicable, the consent to electronic funds withdrawal.

### PIN: check one box only

I authorize CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP to enter my PIN 22100  
ERO firm name Enter five numbers, but do not enter all zeros

as my signature on the tax year 2024 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I also authorize the aforementioned ERO to enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

As an officer or person subject to tax with respect to the entity, I will enter my PIN as my signature on the tax year 2024 electronically filed return. If I have indicated within this return that a copy of the return is being filed with a state agency(ies) regulating charities as part of the IRS Fed/State program, I will enter my PIN on the return's disclosure consent screen.

Signature of officer or person subject to tax

Date

## Part III Certification and Authentication

ERO's EFIN/PIN. Enter your six-digit electronic filing identification number (EFIN) followed by your five-digit self-selected PIN.

**3074245902**

Do not enter all zeros

I certify that the above numeric entry is my PIN, which is my signature on the 2024 electronically filed return indicated above. I confirm that I am submitting this return in accordance with the requirements of **Pub. 4163**, Modernized e-File (MeF) Information for Authorized IRS e-file Providers for Business Returns.

ERO's signature

DERRICK DEBRUYNE

Date

01/27/26

**ERO Must Retain This Form - See Instructions**

**Do Not Submit This Form to the IRS Unless Requested To Do So**

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

Form **8879-TE** (2024)

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2024.05040 ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISC A2747341

**Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax**

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except private foundations)  
Do not enter social security numbers on this form as it may be made public.  
Go to [www.irs.gov/Form990](http://www.irs.gov/Form990) for instructions and the latest information.

**2024**

Open to Public Inspection

**A** For the **2024** calendar year, or tax year beginning **JUL 1, 2024** and ending **JUN 30, 2025**

<b>B</b> Check if applicable: <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Final return/terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization <b>ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISCONSIN INC</b>		<b>D</b> Employer identification number <b>90-0951861</b>
	Doing business as		<b>E</b> Telephone number <b>(877)806-0920</b>
	Number and street (or P.O. box if mail is not delivered to street address)	Room/suite	
	<b>2001 GATEWAY PLACE</b>		<b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ <b>10,777,880.</b>
	City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code <b>SAN JOSE, CA 95110</b>		<b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for subordinates? ..... <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all subordinates included? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list. See instructions
<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer: <b>BENJAMIN CARSON</b> <b>SAME AS C ABOVE</b>		<b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number	
<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) (insert no.) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527			
<b>J</b> Website: <b>HTTPS://WWW.ROCKETSHIPSCHOOLS.ORG</b>			
<b>K</b> Form of organization: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other			<b>L</b> Year of formation: <b>2012</b>
<b>M</b> State of legal domicile: <b>WI</b>			

**Part I Summary**

<b>Activities &amp; Governance</b>	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities: <b>ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISCONSIN OPERATES CHARTER SCHOOLS IN LOW-INCOME COMMUNITIES.</b>		
	<b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets.		
	<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)	<b>3</b>	<b>12</b>
	<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>
	<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2024 (Part V, line 2a)	<b>5</b>	<b>101</b>
	<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)	<b>6</b>	<b>13</b>
	<b>7 a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12	<b>7a</b>	<b>0.</b>
<b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, Part I, line 11	<b>7b</b>	<b>0.</b>	
<b>Revenue</b>	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Current Year</b>
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	<b>10,092,667.</b>	<b>10,707,795.</b>
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	<b>46,026.</b>	<b>70,085.</b>
	<b>12</b> Total revenue - add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	<b>10,138,693.</b>	<b>10,777,880.</b>
<b>Expenses</b>	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)	<b>5,946,524.</b>	<b>6,141,628.</b>
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	<b>0.</b>	<b>0.</b>
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	<b>0.</b>	
	<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)	<b>5,058,114.</b>	<b>4,889,669.</b>
<b>18</b> Total expenses. Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	<b>11,004,638.</b>	<b>11,031,297.</b>	
<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 18 from line 12	<b>-865,945.</b>	<b>-253,417.</b>	
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16)	<b>Beginning of Current Year</b>	<b>End of Year</b>
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	<b>9,068,226.</b>	<b>7,924,836.</b>
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances. Subtract line 21 from line 20	<b>13,474,891.</b>	<b>12,584,918.</b>
		<b>-4,406,665.</b>	<b>-4,660,082.</b>

**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.

<b>Sign Here</b>	Signature of officer		Date		
	<b>BENJAMIN CARSON, CFO</b> Type or print name and title				
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	PTIN
	<b>DERRICK DEBRUYNE</b>	<b>DERRICK DEBRUYNE</b>	<b>01/27/26</b>		<b>P00591016</b>
	Firm's name	Firm's EIN			
	<b>CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP</b>	<b>41-0746749</b>			
	Firm's address	Phone no. (909) 985-7286			
	<b>901 VIA PIEMONTE, SUITE 300</b> <b>ONTARIO, CA 91764</b>				

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions  Yes  No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part III [X]

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission:
FOUNDED IN 2006, ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION IS A 501 (C)(3) NON-PROFIT CORPORATION WHOSE MISSION IS TO ELIMINATE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP IN UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES ACROSS THE COUNTRY. THE CORE OF ROCKETSHIP'S INSTRUCTIONAL MODEL IS A TEACHER-LED, TECHNOLOGY SUPPORTED APPROACH TO

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 [X] 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 [X] 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 \$ 9,392,396. including grants of \$ 0. ) (Revenue \$ 0. )
ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISCONSIN OPERATES ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION PUBLIC SCHOOLS. THESE SCHOOLS SERVE APPROXIMATELY 700 STUDENTS IN THE MILWAUKEE REGION.

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

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

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

4e Total program service expenses 9,392,396.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1 through 21 regarding organizational requirements and schedules A through I.

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 22 through 38 regarding grants, compensation, tax-exempt bonds, excess benefits, and Schedule O completion.

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

Table with 3 columns: Question ID, Question Text, Yes, No. Rows include questions 1a, 1b, and 1c regarding Form 1096, Forms W-2G, and backup withholding rules.

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance (continued)

Table with columns for question number, question text, and Yes/No response boxes. Includes questions 2a through 17 regarding employee counts, tax returns, gross income, foreign accounts, prohibited transactions, and charitable contributions.

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 on 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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year (12); 1b Enter the number of voting members included on line 1a, above, who are independent (12); 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? (X); 3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors, trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? (X); 4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed? (X); 5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? (X); 6 Did the organization have members or stockholders? (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? (X); 7b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body? (X); 8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following: a The governing body? (X); b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? (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 on Schedule O (X).

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Rows include: 10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? (X); 10b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?; 11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? (X); 11b Describe on 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 (X); 12b Were officers, directors, or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? (X); 12c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe on Schedule O how this was done (X); 13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy? (X); 14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? (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 (X); b Other officers or key employees of the organization (X); If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process on 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? (X); 16b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?

Section C. Disclosure

- 17 List the states with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed NONE
18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Forms 1023 (1024 or 1024-A, 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 [X] Upon request [ ] Other (explain on Schedule O)
19 Describe on 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
BENJAMIN CARSON - (877)806-0920
2001 GATEWAY PLACE 230E, SAN JOSE, CA 95110

**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 the 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, box 6 of Form 1099-MISC, and/or box 1 of Form 1099-NEC) 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.
- See the instructions for the order in which to list the persons above.

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 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/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(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) PRESTON SMITH CEO	5.00 45.00			X			0.	317,893.	59,582.	
(2) BENJAMIN CARSON CFO	5.00 50.00			X			0.	273,284.	15,159.	
(3) KADEEM LEON GILL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MILWAUKEE	40.00 0.00				X		165,915.	0.	20,583.	
(4) DELLIANNA HARDY DIRECTOR, SCHOOLS, MKE	40.00 0.00				X		134,257.	0.	31,972.	
(5) FAUSTO EVANS CHIEF OF STAFF, MILWAUKEE	40.00 0.00				X		122,417.	0.	38,515.	
(6) LAUREN TAYLOR SR. DIRECTOR, EXT. AFFAIRS MKE	40.00 0.00				X		112,070.	0.	26,666.	
(7) PORTIA HUNTER PRINCIPAL, ROCKETSHIP MKE	40.00 0.00				X		126,626.	0.	1,554.	
(8) BRIAN KILB CHAIR	2.00 2.00	X		X			0.	0.	0.	
(9) TIM SHEEHY DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(10) KRISTEN LOZADA MORGAN DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(11) KEN KUMBER DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(12) QUENTIN PRINCE DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(13) CHRISTIE CARRINO DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(14) MICHAEL NGUYEN DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(15) SKIP MCGREGOR DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(16) DEBORAH MCGRUFF DIRECTOR	2.00 2.00	X					0.	0.	0.	
(17) GISELA TERNER DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X					0.	0.	0.	

**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 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/1099-NEC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC/1099-NEC)	(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			
(18) LOREN MORRIS DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(19) JENNIFER LOPEZ BRANSHAW DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
(20) RALPH WEBER DIRECTOR	2.00 0.00	X						0.	0.	0.
<b>1b Subtotal</b> .....								661,285.	591,177.	194,031.
<b>c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A</b> .....								0.	0.	0.
<b>d Total (add lines 1b and 1c)</b> .....								661,285.	591,177.	194,031.

**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 6

	Yes	No
<b>3</b> Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director, trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> .....		X
<b>4</b> For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> .....	X	
<b>5</b> Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i> .....		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
NONE		

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

**Part VIII Statement of Revenue**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part VIII

			(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	
			Total revenue	Related or exempt function revenue	Unrelated business revenue	Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512 - 514	
Contributions, Gifts, Grants and Other Similar Amounts	<b>1 a</b>	Federated campaigns .....	<b>1a</b>				
	<b>b</b>	Membership dues .....	<b>1b</b>				
	<b>c</b>	Fundraising events .....	<b>1c</b>				
	<b>d</b>	Related organizations .....	<b>1d</b>				
	<b>e</b>	Government grants (contributions) .....	<b>1e</b>	10,681,840.			
	<b>f</b>	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above ...	<b>1f</b>	25,955.			
	<b>g</b>	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f	<b>1g</b>	\$			
	<b>h</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a-1f .....		10,707,795.			
Program Service Revenue	<b>2 a</b>	_____	<b>Business Code</b>				
	<b>b</b>	_____					
	<b>c</b>	_____					
	<b>d</b>	_____					
	<b>e</b>	_____					
	<b>f</b>	All other program service revenue .....					
	<b>g</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 2a-2f .....					
Other Revenue	<b>3</b>	Investment income (including dividends, interest, and other similar amounts) .....					
	<b>4</b>	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds .....					
	<b>5</b>	Royalties .....					
	<b>6 a</b>	Gross rents .....	<b>6a</b>	(i) Real	(ii) Personal		
	<b>b</b>	Less: rental expenses ...	<b>6b</b>				
	<b>c</b>	Rental income or (loss)	<b>6c</b>				
	<b>d</b>	Net rental income or (loss) .....					
	<b>7 a</b>	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory .....	<b>7a</b>	(i) Securities	(ii) Other		
	<b>b</b>	Less: cost or other basis and sales expenses .....	<b>7b</b>				
	<b>c</b>	Gain or (loss) .....	<b>7c</b>				
<b>d</b>	Net gain or (loss) .....						
<b>8 a</b>	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c). See Part IV, line 18 .....	<b>8a</b>					
<b>b</b>	Less: direct expenses .....	<b>8b</b>					
<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events .....						
<b>9 a</b>	Gross income from gaming activities. See Part IV, line 19 .....	<b>9a</b>					
<b>b</b>	Less: direct expenses .....	<b>9b</b>					
<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities .....						
<b>10 a</b>	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances .....	<b>10a</b>					
<b>b</b>	Less: cost of goods sold .....	<b>10b</b>					
<b>c</b>	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory .....						
Miscellaneous Revenue	<b>11 a</b>	REFUNDS/REIMBURSEMENTS	611710	60,182.		60,182.	
	<b>b</b>	UNIFORMS	611710	9,903.		9,903.	
	<b>c</b>	_____					
	<b>d</b>	All other revenue .....					
	<b>e</b>	<b>Total.</b> Add lines 11a-11d .....		70,085.			
<b>12</b>	<b>Total revenue.</b> See instructions .....		10,777,880.	0.	0.	70,085.	

**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 and domestic governments. See Part IV, line 21 ...				
2 Grants and other assistance to domestic individuals. See Part IV, line 22 .....				
3 Grants and other assistance to foreign organizations, foreign governments, and foreign individuals. See Part IV, lines 15 and 16 .....				
4 Benefits paid to or for members .....				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees .....				
6 Compensation not included above to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) .....				
7 Other salaries and wages .....	4,889,175.	4,889,175.		
8 Pension plan accruals and contributions (include section 401(k) and 403(b) employer contributions)	78,928.	78,928.		
9 Other employee benefits .....	799,645.	799,645.		
10 Payroll taxes .....	373,880.	373,880.		
11 Fees for services (nonemployees):				
a Management .....	1,492,772.		1,492,772.	
b Legal .....				
c Accounting .....	25,194.		25,194.	
d Lobbying .....				
e Professional fundraising services. See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees .....				
g Other. (If line 11g amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 11g expenses on Sch O.)	538,667.	538,667.		
12 Advertising and promotion .....	9.	9.		
13 Office expenses .....	222,947.	222,947.		
14 Information technology .....	92,388.	92,388.		
15 Royalties .....				
16 Occupancy .....	1,134,327.	1,134,327.		
17 Travel .....	87,838.	87,838.		
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials ...				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings .....				
20 Interest .....	60,000.		60,000.	
21 Payments to affiliates .....				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization .....	60,935.		60,935.	
23 Insurance .....	67,042.	67,042.		
24 Other expenses. Itemize expenses not covered above. (List miscellaneous expenses on line 24e. If line 24e amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A), amount, list line 24e expenses on Schedule O.)				
a <b>STUDENT FOOD SERVICES</b>	492,170.	492,170.		
b <b>INSTRUCTIONAL MATERIALS</b>	342,998.	342,998.		
c <b>DISTRICT FEE</b>	92,274.	92,274.		
d <b>CAPITAL EXPENSES</b>	294.	294.		
e All other expenses .....	179,814.	179,814.		
25 <b>Total functional expenses.</b> Add lines 1 through 24e	11,031,297.	9,392,396.	1,638,901.	0.
26 <b>Joint costs.</b> Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation. Check here <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720)				

**Part X Balance Sheet**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part X

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
<b>Assets</b>	<b>1</b> Cash - non-interest-bearing .....	881,485.	<b>1</b>	697,944.
	<b>2</b> Savings and temporary cash investments .....		<b>2</b>	
	<b>3</b> Pledges and grants receivable, net .....		<b>3</b>	
	<b>4</b> Accounts receivable, net .....	698,248.	<b>4</b>	423,157.
	<b>5</b> Loans and other receivables from any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons .....		<b>5</b>	
	<b>6</b> Loans and other receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) .....		<b>6</b>	
	<b>7</b> Notes and loans receivable, net .....		<b>7</b>	
	<b>8</b> Inventories for sale or use .....		<b>8</b>	
	<b>9</b> Prepaid expenses and deferred charges .....	257,614.	<b>9</b>	130,766.
	<b>10a</b> Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D .....	<b>10a</b> 434,839.		
	<b>b</b> Less: accumulated depreciation .....	<b>10b</b> 200,223.	274,676.	<b>10c</b> 234,616.
	<b>11</b> Investments - publicly traded securities .....		<b>11</b>	
	<b>12</b> Investments - other securities. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>12</b>	
	<b>13</b> Investments - program-related. See Part IV, line 11 .....		<b>13</b>	
	<b>14</b> Intangible assets .....		<b>14</b>	
	<b>15</b> Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 .....	6,956,203.	<b>15</b>	6,438,353.
<b>16 Total assets.</b> Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 33) .....	9,068,226.	<b>16</b>	7,924,836.	
<b>Liabilities</b>	<b>17</b> Accounts payable and accrued expenses .....	199,226.	<b>17</b>	218,055.
	<b>18</b> Grants payable .....		<b>18</b>	
	<b>19</b> Deferred revenue .....		<b>19</b>	
	<b>20</b> Tax-exempt bond liabilities .....		<b>20</b>	
	<b>21</b> Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D .....		<b>21</b>	
	<b>22</b> Loans and other payables to any current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, creator or founder, substantial contributor, or 35% controlled entity or family member of any of these persons .....		<b>22</b>	
	<b>23</b> Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties .....		<b>23</b>	
	<b>24</b> Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties .....		<b>24</b>	
	<b>25</b> 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 .....	13,275,665.	<b>25</b>	12,366,863.
	<b>26 Total liabilities.</b> Add lines 17 through 25 .....	13,474,891.	<b>26</b>	12,584,918.
<b>Net Assets or Fund Balances</b>	<b>Organizations that follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 27, 28, 32, and 33.</b>			
	<b>27</b> Net assets without donor restrictions .....	-4,406,665.	<b>27</b>	-4,660,082.
	<b>28</b> Net assets with donor restrictions .....		<b>28</b>	
	<b>Organizations that do not follow FASB ASC 958, check here</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>and complete lines 29 through 33.</b>			
	<b>29</b> Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds .....		<b>29</b>	
	<b>30</b> Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building, or equipment fund .....		<b>30</b>	
	<b>31</b> Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds .....		<b>31</b>	
	<b>32</b> Total net assets or fund balances .....	-4,406,665.	<b>32</b>	-4,660,082.
<b>33</b> Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances .....	9,068,226.	<b>33</b>	7,924,836.	

**Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets**

Check 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	10,777,880.
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	11,031,297.
3	Revenue less expenses. Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-253,417.
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 32, column (A))	4	-4,406,665.
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 on Schedule O)	9	0.
10	Net assets or fund balances at end of year. Combine lines 3 through 9 (must equal Part X, line 32, column (B))	10	-4,660,082.

**Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting**

Check if Schedule O contains a response or note to any line in this Part XII

- 1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990:  Cash  Accrual  Other \_\_\_\_\_  
If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain on Schedule O.
- 2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? .....  
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were compiled or reviewed on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:  
 Separate basis  Consolidated basis  Both consolidated and separate basis
- b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? .....  
If "Yes," check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were audited on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both:  
 Separate basis  Consolidated basis  Both consolidated and separate basis
- c If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? .....  
If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain on Schedule O.
- 3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Uniform Guidance, 2 C.F.R. Part 200, Subpart F? .....
- 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 on Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits .....

	Yes	No
2a		X
2b	X	
2c	X	
3a	X	
3b	X	

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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

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3; 5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f); 6 Public support. Subtract line 5 from line 4.

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: 7 Amounts from line 4; 8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources; 9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on; 10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.); 11 Total support. Add lines 7 through 10; 12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (see instructions); 13 First 5 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

Table with 3 columns: Line number, Description, and Percentage. Rows include: 14 Public support percentage for 2024 (line 6, column (f), divided by line 11, column (f)); 15 Public support percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part II, line 14; 16a 33 1/3% support test - 2024; b 33 1/3% support test - 2023; 17a 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2024; b 10% -facts-and-circumstances test - 2023; 18 Private foundation.

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

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 10 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

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: 1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received; 2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed; 3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business; 4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit; 5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit; 6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5; 7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons; 7b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons; 8 Public support. (Subtract line 7c from line 6.)

Section B. Total Support

Table with 7 columns: (a) 2020, (b) 2021, (c) 2022, (d) 2023, (e) 2024, (f) Total. Rows include: 9 Amounts from line 6; 10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties, and income from similar sources; 10b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975; 10c Add lines 10a and 10b; 11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included on line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on; 12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part VI.); 13 Total support. (Add lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12.)

14 First 5 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

Table with 2 columns: Line number, Percentage. Row 15: Public support percentage for 2024 (line 8, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) 15 %; Row 16: Public support percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part III, line 15 16 %

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage

Table with 2 columns: Line number, Percentage. Row 17: Investment income percentage for 2024 (line 10c, column (f), divided by line 13, column (f)) 17 %; Row 18: Investment income percentage from 2023 Schedule A, Part III, line 17 18 %

19a 33 1/3% support tests - 2024. 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 - 2023. 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 12 of Part I. If you checked box 12a, Part I, complete Sections A and B. If you checked box 12b, Part I, complete Sections A and C. If you checked box 12c, Part I, complete Sections A, D, and E. If you checked box 12d, Part I, complete Sections A and D, and complete Part V.)

**Section A. All Supporting Organizations**

	Yes	No
<b>1</b> Are all of the organization's supported organizations listed by name in the organization's governing documents? <i>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.</i>		
<b>2</b> Did the organization have any supported organization that does not have an IRS determination of status under section 509(a)(1) or (2)? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI how the organization determined that the supported organization was described in section 509(a)(1) or (2).</i>		
<b>3a</b> Did the organization have a supported organization described in section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6)? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 3b and 3c below.</i>		
<b>b</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)? <i>If "Yes," describe in Part VI when and how the organization made the determination.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did the organization ensure that all support to such organizations was used exclusively for section 170(c)(2)(B) purposes? <i>If "Yes," explain in Part VI what controls the organization put in place to ensure such use.</i>		
<b>4a</b> Was any supported organization not organized in the United States ("foreign supported organization")? <i>If "Yes," and if you checked box 12a or 12b in Part I, answer lines 4b and 4c below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have ultimate control and discretion in deciding whether to make grants to the foreign supported organization? <i>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.</i>		
<b>c</b> 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)? <i>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.</i>		
<b>5a</b> Did the organization add, substitute, or remove any supported organizations during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 5b and 5c 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).</i>		
<b>b Type I or Type II only.</b> Was any added or substituted supported organization part of a class already designated in the organization's organizing document?		
<b>c Substitutions only.</b> Was the substitution the result of an event beyond the organization's control?		
<b>6</b> Did the organization provide support (whether in the form of grants or the provision of services or facilities) to anyone other than (i) its supported organizations, (ii) individuals that are part of the charitable class benefited by one or more of its supported organizations, or (iii) other supporting organizations that also support or benefit one or more of the filing organization's supported organizations? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>7</b> Did the organization provide a grant, loan, compensation, or other similar payment to a substantial contributor (as defined in section 4958(c)(3)(C)), a family member of a substantial contributor, or a 35% controlled entity with regard to a substantial contributor? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).</i>		
<b>8</b> Did the organization make a loan to a disqualified person (as defined in section 4958) not described on line 7? <i>If "Yes," complete Part I of Schedule L (Form 990).</i>		
<b>9a</b> 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))? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did one or more disqualified persons (as defined on line 9a) hold a controlling interest in any entity in which the supporting organization had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>c</b> Did a disqualified person (as defined on line 9a) have an ownership interest in, or derive any personal benefit from, assets in which the supporting organization also had an interest? <i>If "Yes," provide detail in Part VI.</i>		
<b>10a</b> Was the organization subject to the excess business holdings rules of section 4943 because of section 4943(f) (regarding certain Type II supporting organizations, and all Type III non-functionally integrated supporting organizations)? <i>If "Yes," answer line 10b below.</i>		
<b>b</b> Did the organization have any excess business holdings in the tax year? <i>(Use Schedule C, Form 4720, to determine whether the organization had excess business holdings.)</i>		

Part IV Supporting Organizations (continued)

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 11: Has the organization accepted a gift or contribution from any of the following persons? Sub-rows 11a, 11b, 11c.

Section B. Type I Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Did the governing body, members of the governing body, officers acting in their official capacity, or membership of one or more supported organizations have the power to regularly appoint or elect at least a majority of the organization's officers, directors, or trustees at all times during the tax year? Row 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?

Section C. Type II Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 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)?

Section D. All Type III Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 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, (i) a written notice describing the type and amount of support provided during the prior tax year, (ii) a copy of the Form 990 that was most recently filed as of the date of notification, and (iii) copies of the organization's governing documents in effect on the date of notification, to the extent not previously provided? Row 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? Row 3: By reason of the relationship described on line 2, above, 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?

Section E. Type III Functionally Integrated Supporting Organizations

Table with 3 columns: Question, Yes, No. Row 1: Check the box next to the method that the organization used to satisfy the Integral Part Test during the year (see instructions). Sub-rows a, b, c. Row 2: Activities Test. Answer lines 2a and 2b below. Sub-rows a, b. Row 3: Parent of Supported Organizations. Answer lines 3a and 3b below. Sub-rows a, b.

**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 ( explain in Part VI). 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	
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	<b>Adjusted Net Income</b> (subtract lines 5, 6, and 7 from line 4)	8	

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	<b>Total</b> (add lines 1a, 1b, and 1c)	1d	
e	<b>Discount</b> 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	
4	Cash deemed held for exempt use. Enter 0.015 of line 3 (for greater amount, see instructions).	4	
5	Net value of non-exempt-use assets (subtract line 4 from line 3)	5	
6	Multiply line 5 by 0.035.	6	
7	Recoveries of prior-year distributions	7	
8	<b>Minimum Asset Amount</b> (add line 7 to line 6)	8	

Section C - Distributable Amount			Current Year
1	Adjusted net income for prior year (from Section A, line 8, column A)	1	
2	Enter 0.85 of line 1.	2	
3	Minimum asset amount for prior year (from Section B, line 8, column A)	3	
4	Enter greater of line 2 or line 3.	4	
5	Income tax imposed in prior year	5	
6	<b>Distributable Amount.</b> Subtract line 5 from line 4, unless subject to emergency temporary reduction (see instructions).	6	
7	<input type="checkbox"/> 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	1
2	Amounts paid to perform activity that directly furthers exempt purposes of supported organizations, in excess of income from activity	2
3	Administrative expenses paid to accomplish exempt purposes of supported organizations	3
4	Amounts paid to acquire exempt-use assets	4
5	Qualified set-aside amounts (prior IRS approval required - provide details in Part VI)	5
6	Other distributions (describe in Part VI). See instructions.	6
7	<b>Total annual distributions.</b> Add lines 1 through 6.	7
8	Distributions to attentive supported organizations to which the organization is responsive (provide details in Part VI). See instructions.	8
9	Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6	9
10	Line 8 amount divided by line 9 amount	10

Section E - Distribution Allocations (see instructions)	(i) Excess Distributions	(ii) Underdistributions Pre-2024	(iii) Distributable Amount for 2024
1	Distributable amount for 2024 from Section C, line 6		
2	Underdistributions, if any, for years prior to 2024 (reasonable cause required - explain in Part VI). See instructions.		
3	Excess distributions carryover, if any, to 2024		
a	From 2019		
b	From 2020		
c	From 2021		
d	From 2022		
e	From 2023		
f	<b>Total</b> of lines 3a through 3e		
g	Applied to under distributions of prior years		
h	Applied to 2024 distributable amount		
i	Carryover from 2019 not applied (see instructions)		
j	Remainder. Subtract lines 3g, 3h, and 3i from line 3f.		
4	Distributions for 2024 from Section D, line 7: \$		
a	Applied to underdistributions of prior years		
b	Applied to 2024 distributable amount		
c	Remainder. Subtract lines 4a and 4b from line 4.		
5	Remaining underdistributions for years prior to 2024, if any. Subtract lines 3g and 4a from line 2. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
6	Remaining underdistributions for 2024. Subtract lines 3h and 4b from line 1. For result greater than zero, explain in Part VI. See instructions.		
7	<b>Excess distributions carryover to 2025.</b> Add lines 3j and 4c.		
8	Breakdown of line 7:		
a	Excess from 2020		
b	Excess from 2021		
c	Excess from 2022		
d	Excess from 2023		
e	Excess from 2024		

**Part VI**

**Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; Part III, line 12; Part IV, Section A, lines 1, 2, 3b, 3c, 4b, 4c, 5a, 6, 9a, 9b, 9c, 11a, 11b, and 11c; Part IV, Section B, lines 1 and 2; Part IV, Section C, line 1; Part IV, Section D, lines 2 and 3; Part IV, Section E, lines 1c, 2a, 2b, 3a and 3b; Part V, line 1; Part V, Section B, line 1e; Part V, Section D, lines 5, 6, and 8; and Part V, Section E, lines 2, 5, and 6. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions.)

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**SCHEDULE D**  
**(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Supplemental Financial Statements**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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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Inspection**

Name of the organization

ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISCONSIN INC

Employer identification number

90-0951861

**Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds can be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? .....	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No

**Part II Conservation Easements.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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 (for example, 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.

	Held at the End of the Tax Year
a Total number of conservation easements .....	2a
b Total acreage restricted by conservation easements .....	2b
c Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included on line 2a .....	2c
d Number of conservation easements included on line 2c acquired after July 25, 2006, 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? .....

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year \_\_\_\_\_

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, handling of violations, and enforcing conservation easements during the year \_\_\_\_\_

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2d above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and section 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? .....

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" on Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under FASB 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 FASB 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 on 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 FASB ASC 958 relating to these items:

a Revenue included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 .....

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X .....

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

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

- 1a** Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian, or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?  Yes  No
- b** If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIII and complete the following table:
- |  | Amount    |
|--|-----------|
| <b>c</b> Beginning balance             | <b>1c</b> |
| <b>d</b> Additions during the year     | <b>1d</b> |
| <b>e</b> Distributions during the year | <b>1e</b> |
| <b>f</b> Ending balance                | <b>1f</b> |
- 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" on Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current year	(b) Prior year	(c) Two years back	(d) Three years back	(e) Four years back
<b>1a</b> Beginning of year balance					
<b>b</b> Contributions					
<b>c</b> Net investment earnings, gains, and losses					
<b>d</b> Grants or scholarships					
<b>e</b> Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
<b>f</b> Administrative expenses					
<b>g</b> End of year balance					

- 2** Provide the estimated percentage of the current year end balance (line 1g, column (a)) held as:
- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment \_\_\_\_\_ %
  - b** Permanent endowment \_\_\_\_\_ %
  - c** Term endowment \_\_\_\_\_ %
- The percentages on lines 2a, 2b, and 2c should equal 100%.
- 3a** Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by:
- |   | Yes           | No |
|---|---------------|----|
| <b>(i)</b> Unrelated organizations?   | <b>3a(i)</b>  |    |
| <b>(ii)</b> Related organizations?  | <b>3a(ii)</b> |    |
| <b>b</b> If "Yes" on line 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R? | <b>3b</b>     |    |
- 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" on 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
<b>1a</b> Land				
<b>b</b> Buildings		402,247.	180,310.	221,937.
<b>c</b> Leasehold improvements				
<b>d</b> Equipment		23,952.	19,913.	4,039.
<b>e</b> Other		8,640.		8,640.
<b>Total.</b> Add lines 1a through 1e. (Column (d) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 10c, column (B))				234,616.

**Part VII Investments - Other Securities**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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 .....		
(2) Closely held equity interests .....		
(3) Other .....		
(A)		
(B)		
(C)		
(D)		
(E)		
(F)		
(G)		
(H)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 12, col. (B))		

**Part VIII Investments - Program Related.**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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)		
<b>Total.</b> (Col. (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 13, col. (B))		

**Part IX Other Assets**

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

(a) Description	(b) Book value
(1) OPERATING RIGHT OF USE LEASE ASSET	6,438,353.
(2)	
(3)	
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 15, col. (B))	6,438,353.

**Part X Other Liabilities**

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on 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	
(2) INTRACOMPANY PAYABLE	5,592,952.
(3) LEASE LIABILITIES - OPERATING	6,773,911.
(4)	
(5)	
(6)	
(7)	
(8)	
(9)	
<b>Total.</b> (Column (b) must equal Form 990, Part X, line 25, col. (B))	12,366,863.

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 FASB 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" on Form 990, Part IV, line 12a.

<b>1</b>	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements		<b>1</b>	10,777,880.
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12:			
<b>a</b>	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	<b>2a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Recoveries of prior year grants	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>2d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Add lines 2a through 2d		<b>2e</b>	0.
<b>3</b>	Subtract line 2e from line 1		<b>3</b>	10,777,880.
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1:			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Add lines 4a and 4b		<b>4c</b>	0.
<b>5</b>	Total revenue. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 12.)		<b>5</b>	10,777,880.

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

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

<b>1</b>	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements		<b>1</b>	11,031,297.
<b>2</b>	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25:			
<b>a</b>	Donated services and use of facilities	<b>2a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Prior year adjustments	<b>2b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Other losses	<b>2c</b>		
<b>d</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>2d</b>		
<b>e</b>	Add lines 2a through 2d		<b>2e</b>	0.
<b>3</b>	Subtract line 2e from line 1		<b>3</b>	11,031,297.
<b>4</b>	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:			
<b>a</b>	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	<b>4a</b>		
<b>b</b>	Other (Describe in Part XIII.)	<b>4b</b>		
<b>c</b>	Add lines 4a and 4b		<b>4c</b>	0.
<b>5</b>	Total expenses. Add lines <b>3</b> and <b>4c</b> . (This must equal Form 990, Part I, line 18.)		<b>5</b>	11,031,297.

**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 X, LINE 2:**

REW IS EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL AND STATE INCOME TAXES ON RELATED EXEMPT-FUNCTION INCOME UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE AND HAS BEEN CLASSIFIED AS AN ORGANIZATION OTHER THAN A PRIVATE FOUNDATION. REW DOES NOT CONSIDER ANY OF ITS SUPPORT AND REVENUES TO BE UNRELATED BUSINESS INCOME, AND ACCORDINGLY, NO PROVISION FOR INCOME TAXES HAS BEEN PROVIDED IN THE ACCOMPANYING FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

**SCHEDULE E  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Schools**

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

Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ.

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Inspection

Name of the organization

**ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISCONSIN INC**

Employer identification number

**90-0951861**

**Part I**

	YES	NO
1 Does the organization have a racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students by statement in its charter, bylaws, other governing instrument, or in a resolution of its governing body? .....	X	
2 Does the organization include a statement of its racially nondiscriminatory policy toward students in all its brochures, catalogues, and other written communications with the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships?	X	
3 Has the organization publicized its racially nondiscriminatory policy on its primary publicly accessible Internet homepage at all times during its tax year in a manner reasonably expected to be noticed by visitors to the homepage, or through newspaper or broadcast media during the period of solicitation for students, or during the registration period if it has no solicitation program, in a way that makes the policy known to all parts of the general community it serves? If "Yes," please describe. If "No," please explain. If you need more space, use Part II .....	X	
<b>WE INCLUDE THIS INFORMATION IN THE LOTTERY MATERIALS &amp; THE NSLP BID MATERIALS THAT WE PROCESS ANNUALLY.</b>		
4 Does the organization maintain the following:		
a Records indicating the racial composition of the student body, faculty, and administrative staff? .....	X	
b Records documenting that scholarships and other financial assistance are awarded on a racially nondiscriminatory basis? ..		X
c Copies of all catalogues, brochures, announcements, and other written communications to the public dealing with student admissions, programs, and scholarships? .....	X	
d Copies of all material used by the organization or on its behalf to solicit contributions? .....	X	
If you answered "No" to any of the above, please explain. If you need more space, use Part II.		
<b>THE ORGANIZATION DOES NOT PROVIDE ANY SCHOLARSHIPS OR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.</b>		
5 Does the organization discriminate by race in any way with respect to:		
a Students' rights or privileges? .....		X
b Admissions policies? .....		X
c Employment of faculty or administrative staff? .....		X
d Scholarships or other financial assistance? .....		X
e Educational policies? .....		X
f Use of facilities? .....		X
g Athletic programs? .....		X
h Other extracurricular activities? .....		X
If you answered "Yes" to any of the above, please explain. If you need more space, use Part II.		
6a Does the organization receive any financial aid or assistance from a governmental agency? .....	X	
b Has the organization's right to such aid ever been revoked or suspended? .....		X
If you answered "Yes" on either line 6a or line 6b, explain in Part II.		
7 Does the organization certify that it has complied with the applicable requirements of sections 4.01 through 4.05 of Rev. Proc. 75-50, 1975-2 C.B. 587, as modified by Rev. Proc. 2019-22, 2019-22 I.R.B. 1260, covering racial nondiscrimination? If "No," explain in Part II .....	X	

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Schedule E (Form 990) (Rev. 12-2024)

**Part II Supplemental Information.** Provide the explanations required by Part I, lines 3, 4d, 5h, 6b, and 7, as applicable. Also provide any other additional information. See instructions.

**LINE 6B - EXPLANATION OF GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL AID:**  
AS A PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL, ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISCONSIN IS ELIGIBLE FOR LOCAL, STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING FOR ITS EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

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**SCHEDULE J  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)  
Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Compensation Information**

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest  
Compensated Employees  
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 23.  
Attach to Form 990.  
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Name of the organization **ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION WISCONSIN INC** Employer identification number **90-0951861**

**Part I Questions Regarding Compensation**

**1a** Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a. Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel             | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tax indemnification and gross-up payments | <input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account            | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (such as maid, chauffeur, chef) |

**b** If any of the boxes on line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all of the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain .....

**2** Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all directors, trustees, and officers, including the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked on line 1a? .....

**3** Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization used to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director. Check all that apply. Do not check any boxes for methods used by a related organization to establish compensation of the CEO/Executive Director, but explain in Part III.

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee              | <input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations     | <input type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee |

**4** During the year, did any person listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, with respect to the filing organization or a related organization:

- a** Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment? ..... **4a**
- b** Participate in or receive payment from a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan? ..... **4b**
- c** Participate in or receive payment from an equity-based compensation arrangement? ..... **4c**
- If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III.

**Only section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations must complete lines 5-9.**

**5** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of:

- a** The organization? ..... **5a**
- b** Any related organization? ..... **5b**
- If "Yes" on line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III.

**6** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of:

- a** The organization? ..... **6a**
- b** Any related organization? ..... **6b**
- If "Yes" on line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III.

**7** For persons listed on Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any nonfixed payments not described on lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....

**8** Were any amounts reported on Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regulations section 53.4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III .....

**9** If "Yes" on line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53.4958-6(c)? .....

	Yes	No
<b>1b</b>		
<b>2</b>		
<b>4a</b>		X
<b>4b</b>		X
<b>4c</b>		X
<b>5a</b>		X
<b>5b</b>		X
<b>6a</b>		X
<b>6b</b>		X
<b>7</b>		X
<b>8</b>		X
<b>9</b>		

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Schedule J (Form 990) (Rev. 12-2024)

**Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported on Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions, on row (ii). Do not list any individuals that aren't listed on Form 990, Part VII.

**Note:** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) for each listed individual must equal the total amount of Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, applicable column (D) and (E) amounts for that individual.

(A) Name and Title		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC and/or 1099-NEC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation in column (B) reported as deferred on prior Form 990
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) PRESTON SMITH	(i)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
CEO	(ii)	317,893.	0.	0.	23,000.	36,582.	377,475.	0.
(2) BENJAMIN CARSON	(i)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
CFO	(ii)	273,284.	0.	0.	7,746.	7,413.	288,443.	0.
(3) KADEEM LEON GILL	(i)	165,915.	0.	0.	7,099.	13,484.	186,498.	0.
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MILWAUKEE	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(4) DELLIANNA HARDY	(i)	134,257.	0.	0.	9,557.	22,415.	166,229.	0.
DIRECTOR, SCHOOLS, MKE	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
(5) FAUSTO EVANS	(i)	122,417.	0.	0.	7,200.	31,315.	160,932.	0.
CHIEF OF STAFF, MILWAUKEE	(ii)	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							

**Part III Supplemental Information**

Provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 3, 4a, 4b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8, and for Part II. Also complete this part for any additional information.

**PART I, LINE 3:**

THE ORGANIZATION HAS A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION, RELATED ENTITY, AND THE CEO IS COMPENSATED BY THE RELATED ENTITY. THE METHODS USED BY THE RELATED ENTITY TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION INCLUDE A WRITTEN EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT, COMPENSATION STUDY, AND APPROVAL BY THE BOARD.

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**SCHEDULE O  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. December 2024)

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.

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Employer identification number

90-0951861

FORM 990, PART III, LINE 1, DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION MISSION:  
PERSONALIZED LEARNING THAT MATCHES EACH STUDENT WITH THE RIGHT CONTENT  
AT THE RIGHT TIME UTILIZING THE RIGHT METHOD OF INSTRUCTION. BY DEEPLY  
ENGAGING PARENTS IN THEIR STUDENT'S LEARNING AND THE SCHOOL COMMUNITY,  
ROCKETSHIP DEVELOPS PARENTS WHO BECOME LIFELONG ADVOCATES FOR THEIR  
CHILDREN AND THEIR COMMUNITY. WORKING ALONGSIDE PARENTS, COMMUNITY  
ORGANIZATIONS, DISTRICTS AND OTHER CHARTER SCHOOLS, ROCKETSHIP IS  
CATALIZING A MOVEMENT TO ELIMINATE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP IN OUR LIFETIME.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6:  
ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION INC. IS THE SOLE MEMBER OF ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION  
WISCONSIN.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 7B:  
THE SOLE MEMBER, ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION INC., SHALL HAVE ALL STATUTORY RIGHTS  
AS A "MEMBER" OF THE CORPORATION AS DEFINED IN SECTION 181.0103(15) OF THE  
WISCONSIN STATUTES, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE RIGHTS: (1) TO  
APPROVE THE DISSOLUTION AND LIQUIDATION OF THE CORPORATION; (2) TO APPROVE  
ANY PLAN OF MERGER FOR THE CORPORATION OR ANY AMENDMENT TO SUCH PLAN; (3)  
TO APPROVE THE SALE, LEASE, EXCHANGE, OR OTHER DISPOSITION OF ALL, OR  
SUBSTANTIALLY ALL, OF THE CORPORATION'S ASSETS; AND (4) TO INSPECT AND COPY  
ANY CORPORATE RECORDS (INCLUDING BY AN AGENT OR ATTORNEY).

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11B:  
THE FORM 990 IS PREPARED BY THE ORGANIZATION'S OUTSIDE PUBLIC ACCOUNTING  
FIRM BASED ON INFORMATION PROVIDED BY MANAGEMENT. ONCE A DRAFT OF THE  
RETURN IS AVAILABLE, IT IS REVIEWED BY MANAGEMENT WITH ANY CHANGES OR  
REVISIONS INCORPORATED INTO THE FILING. THE REVISED RETURN IS THEN  
SUBMITTED TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR THEIR REVIEW PRIOR TO SUBMITTING TO  
THE IRS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C:  
MONITORING IS PERFORMED BY THE OFFICERS TO IDENTIFY POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF  
INTEREST. ANY QUESTIONS OF A CONFLICT IS ADDRESSED WITH THE INTERESTED  
PERSON, WHO IS REQUIRED TO DISCLOSE THE EXISTENCE OF ANY FINANCIAL INTEREST  
AND BE AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCLOSE ALL MATERIAL FACTS TO THE BOARD  
AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR. IF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST IS IDENTIFIED, THE  
APPROPRIATE ACTION IS TAKEN, INCLUDING LIMITATIONS TO THE INDIVIDUAL'S  
INFLUENCE ON RELATE BUSINESS MATTERS.

FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19:  
THE DOCUMENTS ARE READILY AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC UPON REQUEST.

FORM 990, PART XII, LINE 2C:  
THE PROCESS FOR OVERSIGHT AND SELECTION OF AN INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT  
HAS NOT CHANGED FROM THE PRIOR YEAR.

**SCHEDULE R  
(Form 990)**

(Rev. January 2025)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

**Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships**  
Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 33, 34, 35b, 36, or 37.  
Attach to Form 990.

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

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

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

(a) Name, address, and EIN of related organization	(b) Primary activity	(c) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(d) Exempt Code section	(e) Public charity status (if section 501(c)(3))	(f) Direct controlling entity	(g) Section 512(b)(13) controlled entity?	
						Yes	No
ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION - 20-4040597 2001 GATEWAY PLACE, STE. 230E SAN JOSE, CA 95110	CHARTER SCHOOL	CALIFORNIA	501(C)3	LINE 2	N/A		<b>X</b>
LAUNCHPAD DEVELOPMENT COMPANY - 27-1813337 2001 GATEWAY PLACE, STE. 230E SAN JOSE, CA 95110	SUPPORTING	CALIFORNIA	501(C)3	LINE 12A, I	ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION		<b>X</b>
ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION DC PUBLIC - 47-3468345 2001 GATEWAY PLACE, STE. 230E SAN JOSE, CA 95110	CHARTER SCHOOL	DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	501(C)3	LINE 2	ROCKETSHIP EDUCATION		<b>X</b>

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Schedule R (Form 990) (Rev. 1-2025)

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

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

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

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

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

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

**1** During the tax year, did the organization engage in any of the following transactions with one or more related organizations listed in Parts II-IV?

- a** Receipt of **(i)** interest, **(ii)** annuities, **(iii)** royalties, or **(iv)** rent from a controlled entity .....
- b** Gift, grant, or capital contribution to related organization(s) .....
- c** Gift, grant, or capital contribution from related organization(s) .....
- d** Loans or loan guarantees to or for related organization(s) .....
- e** Loans or loan guarantees by related organization(s) .....
- f** Dividends from related organization(s) .....
- g** Sale of assets to related organization(s) .....
- h** Purchase of assets from related organization(s) .....
- i** Exchange of assets with related organization(s) .....
- j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to related organization(s) .....
- k** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from related organization(s) .....
- l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for related organization(s) .....
- m** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by related organization(s) .....
- n** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets with related organization(s) .....
- o** Sharing of paid employees with related organization(s) .....
- p** Reimbursement paid to related organization(s) for expenses .....
- q** Reimbursement paid by related organization(s) for expenses .....
- r** Other transfer of cash or property to related organization(s) .....
- s** Other transfer of cash or property from related organization(s) .....

	Yes	No
<b>1a</b>		X
<b>1b</b>		X
<b>1c</b>		X
<b>1d</b>		X
<b>1e</b>	X	
<b>1f</b>		X
<b>1g</b>		X
<b>1h</b>		X
<b>1i</b>		X
<b>1j</b>		X
<b>1k</b>	X	
<b>1l</b>		X
<b>1m</b>	X	
<b>1n</b>	X	
<b>1o</b>	X	
<b>1p</b>		X
<b>1q</b>		X
<b>1r</b>		X
<b>1s</b>	X	

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

	(a) Name of related organization	(b) Transaction type (a-s)	(c) Amount involved	(d) Method of determining amount involved
<b>(1)</b>				
<b>(2)</b>				
<b>(3)</b>				
<b>(4)</b>				
<b>(5)</b>				
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**Part VII** Supplemental Information

Provide additional information for responses to questions on Schedule R. See instructions.

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# Q3 Rocketship Public Schools Audit Committee Meeting

March 3, 2026



# Agenda

**1. Opening Items**

- A. Call to Order
- B. Public comment on off-agenda items

**2. Consent Items**

Consent Action

- A. Approve minutes from the December 2, 2025 meeting of the Rocketship Audit Committee

**3. Action Item: Finance - Review and Recommend Approval**

- A. Recommend to the Rocketship Board of Directors approval of CliftonLarsonAllen (CLA) as auditor for the consolidated audit of Rocketship Education and its affiliated entities

**4. Information Item**

- A. 403(b) Audit Update

**5. Action Item: Finance - Review and Recommend Approval**

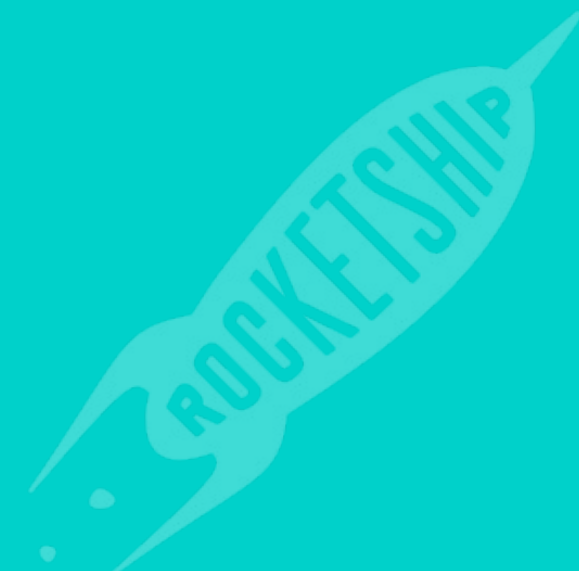
- A. Review and Recommend Approval of the Rocketship Education 990 for fiscal year ending 6/30/25 to the Rocketship Board of Directors

**6. Information Item**

- A. Business Process Update

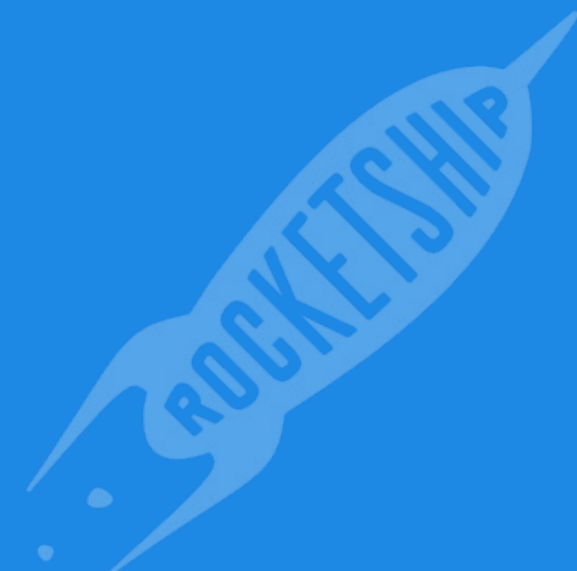
**7. Adjournment**

Public Comment





Review and Recommend to the Rocketship Board of Directors approval of CLA as auditor for the consolidated audit of Rocketship Education and its affiliated entities



# CLA Proposed Audit Work and Fee

- Clifton Larson Allen LLP
  - Doing all 4 regions audits and returns along with Launchpad
  - Consolidated audit as well for debt purposes

## Proposal Change Highlights

- Overall change in fee is \$20k and 7.7% above FY25
  - \$4.5k increase in TN for first year of recurring 990 tax return
  - WI increase of \$3k to agreed upon procedures
  - Tax returns increased \$1.3k, based on increased complexity and time, excluding TN addition
- Though increase is above COLA, ½ of the increase is due to new or increased procedures
- Recommendation is to proceed with current auditor and decide if RFP is appropriate for the next audit but certainly two years from now.



# CLA Proposed Audit Work and Fee

	RSED FY25	Nash FY25	WI FY25	DC FY25	Total
Audit Services	\$128,205	\$37,490	\$40,425	\$44,780	\$250,900
Tax Services	\$4,725	\$0	\$4,415	\$4,410	\$13,550
Total	\$132,930	\$37,490	\$44,840	\$49,190	\$264,450

	RSED FY26	Nash FY26	WI FY26	DC FY26	Total
Audit Services	\$133,665	\$39,270	\$45,150	\$47,145	\$265,230
Tax Services	\$5,513	\$4,725	\$4,725	\$4,725	\$19,688
Total	\$139,180	\$44,000	\$49,880	\$51,870	\$284,930

Change	RSED FY26	Nash FY26	WI FY26	DC FY26	Total
Audit	\$5,460	\$1,780	\$4,725	\$2,366	\$14,331
Tax	\$788	\$4,725	\$310	\$315	\$6,138
Total	\$6,250	\$6,510	\$5,040	\$2,681	\$20,480
Percent	4.7%	17.4%	11.2%	5.4%	7.7%



# 403(b) Audit Update



# 403B Interim Testing

- Morel, Derek, and Karie have been meeting weekly to review internal documents and recurring testing items.
- Morel has been testing contributions and tracing bi-monthly payroll deposits from the Workday payroll system into Fidelity and following up on variances.
- Team is feeling confident in pre work testing and ready for audit to begin later in the spring. No firm date has been set yet by the auditors.



Review and Recommend Approval of the  
Rocketship Education 990 for fiscal year  
ending 6/30/25 to the Rocketship Board of  
Directors



# 990 Report Approval

- Each year by May 15, we are required to submit IRS Form 990 tax returns for the previous year ended June 30.
- The 990 reports total revenues and expenses, highly-compensated individuals, balance sheet data, and major contracts for each of the nonprofits (RSED, RPS-Wisconsin, RPS-DC, and Launchpad).
- Following committee approval, we submit the 990's to the IRS as well as state authorizers.
- These are our public financial records that are most accessible.

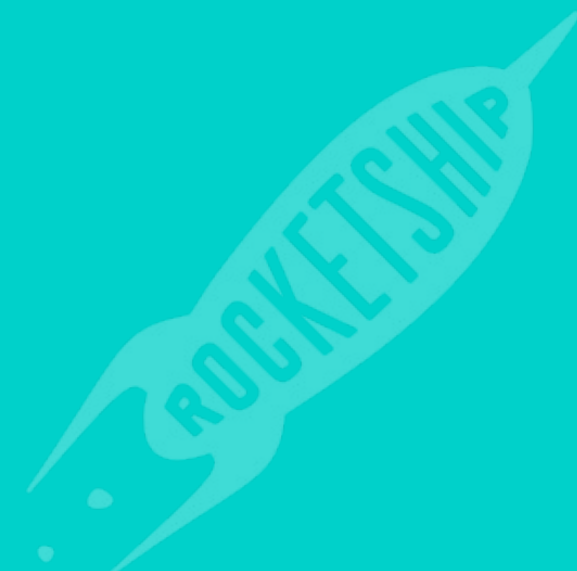


# 990 Review Notes

- 990 encompasses time period for fiscal year ending June 30th 2025, but also looks at wages as of year ending December 31, 2024. Some staff no longer with organizations still show up on 990 for this reason.
- Noted no major changes between current year and prior year 990
- CLA was able to get 990s out quicker this year and internal team worked hard to get information turned around quickly as well and follow up on any comments.



# Business Process Update



# CA ILPT Revenue Adjustment

- In California, our schools who enroll students across districts are funded via the “In Lieu of Property Tax” (ILPT) process, where the sending district makes payments directly to the charter.
- SJUSD, our largest sender, imposes an onerous address verification process that regularly results in lost revenue - an average of 15% unpaid students in 23-24 and 24-25.
- We are expecting a significant revenue write down this year due to two related but separate issues:
  1. Districts other than SJUSD did not make earned payments totaling ~\$1.5mm over two years, which we booked as AR but have not collected - that follow up is ongoing, some write downs may be necessary but only after all other options taken.
  2. Current year address verification procedures for SJUSD weren't followed, resulting in an expected revenue shortfall from SJUSD denying approval for an unusual proportion of students:
    - We anticipate 19% of enrolled SJUSD students across RLS, RDP, RBM, and RSA this year will not be funded, resulting in a funding shortfall to budget of \$770,000. Of that, we calculate \$572,000 would have been avoided by following agreed upon verification procedures and timelines.



# Business Team Priority: Expense Management and Approvals

- Across the network, schools after 12/31 were on track to finish about **5% over** their *controllable* expense budgets (an average of \$31k per school).
  - 100 percent of schools met with finance team in January to make an action plan to get back on budget.
- We continue to prioritize hourly employee time integrity: retraining all managers in policy and the timecard platform and beginning escalating discipline for employees and managers who aren't meeting deadlines. **Overtime, meal penalties and unapproved time remain stubbornly high.**
- Our Ramp deployment for credit cards and bill payment has increased data quality, reduced out of compliance spending and led to meaningful savings on some lines.
  - We're prepping now for our second phase: Incorporating pre-approval for services and large purchases to create better controls and reduce the burden on the Legal team.
- Our biggest challenge this year has been **outsourced labor** (special education and substitute lines).
  - While some spend here above budget is offset by labor savings, big picture it's a two to one trade: We are tracking about \$1.8mm under our labor budget and \$3.8 million over our services budget network wide - similar stories in all regions.

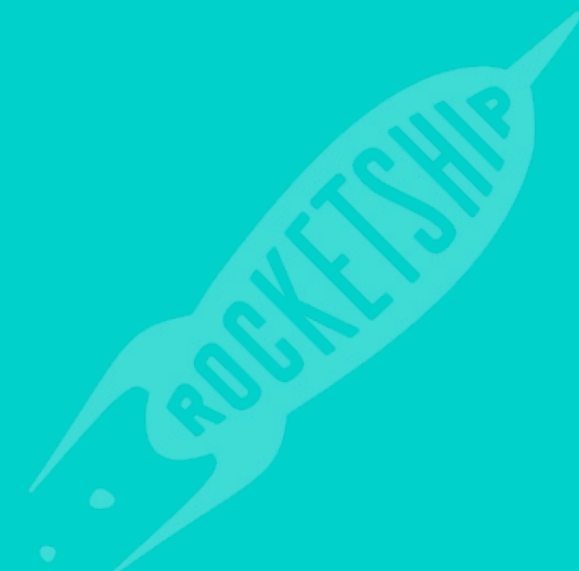


# Business Team Priority: Timely and Accurate Closes

- A shift on the accounting team monthly priorities has been to work quickly to close out expenses for school reporting, within **5 business days** for Ramp and **12 business days** for all accounting entries.
- Additional tightening of revenue entries, through concrete documentation, has led to faster monthly closes and a renewed focus on quarterly clean up and hard closes.



Adjourn



# Appendix

