

Form 990
Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

OMB No 1545-0047

2008

Open to Public Inspection

The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

A For the 2008 calendar year, or tax year beginning 10-01-2008 and ending 09-30-2009

- B Check if applicable
Address change
Name change
Initial return
Termination
Amended return
Application pending

Please use IRS label or print or type. See Specific Instructions.

C Name of organization
The Foundation for Educational Services Inc
Doing Business As
Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) Room/suite
PO BOX 82552
City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4
LINCOLN, NE 685012552

D Employer identification number
47-0703499
E Telephone number
(402) 479-6933
G Gross receipts \$ 16,750,232

F Name and address of Principal Officer
Irene Williams
PO Box 82552
Lincoln, NE 68501

H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates?
H(b) Are all affiliates included?
H(c) Group Exemption Number 9493

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

J Web site: WWW.FES.ORG

K Type of organization Corporation trust association other
L Year of Formation 1986
M State of legal domicile NE

Part I Summary

Table with 4 main sections: Activities & Governance, Revenue, Expenses, and Net Assets or Fund Balances. Includes rows for mission, voting members, employees, revenue, and expenses.

Part II Signature Block

Signature block containing declaration, signature of officer (Carolyn J Thoma), date (2010-02-04), and preparer information (KPMG LLP).

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

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (See the instructions.)

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

The mission of FES is to bring education within reach by providing value to the FES family of companies developed in an environment that fosters innovation, excellence, and creativity that results in high quality products, services, and resources delivered in a cost-effective manner

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting or make significant changes in how it conducts any program services? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses. Section 501(c)(3) and (4) organizations and 4947(a)(1) trusts 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 \$ 15,463,668 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 15,516,548)
FES is a supporting organization for several 501(c)(3) entities including EducationQuest Foundation and Nebraska Student Loan Program (NSLP) FES provides office space and administrative services

4b (Code) (Expenses \$ 1,698,112 including grants of \$) (Revenue \$ 24,728)
FES is engaged in the promotion of intellectual property in the form of a content management system which includes webhosting which qualifies for "e-rate" subsidies from a Federal program for schools and libraries These services are offered to K-12 and other not-for-profits

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

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

4e Total program service expenses \$ 17,161,780 *Must equal Part IX, Line 25, column (B).*

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

	Yes	No
1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A	Yes	
2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors?		No
3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I		No
4 Section 501(c)(3) organizations Did the organization engage in lobbying activities? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	Yes	
5 Section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), and 501(c)(6) organizations Is the organization subject to the section 6033(e) notice and reporting requirement and proxy tax? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III		
6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I		No
7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II		No
8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III		No
9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV		No
10 Did the organization hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V		No
11 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, lines 10, 12, 13, 15, or 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable	Yes	
12 Did the organization receive an audited financial statement for the year for which it is completing this return that was prepared in accordance with GAAP? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII	Yes	
13 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E		No
14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the U S ?		No
b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the U S ? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I		No
15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II		No
16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the United States? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III		No
17 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I		No
18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II		No
19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III		No
20 Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H		No
21 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II		No
22 Did the organization report more than \$5,000 on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III		No
23 Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	Yes	
24a Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to question 25		No
b Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?		
c Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?		
d Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?		
25a Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		No
b Did the organization become aware that it had engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person from a prior year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I		No
26 Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II		No
27 Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, or substantial contributor, or to a person related to such an individual? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III		No

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules *(Continued)*

		Yes	No
28	During the tax year, did any person who is a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee		
a	Have a direct business relationship with the organization (other than as an officer, director, trustee, or employee), or an indirect business relationship through ownership of more than 35% in another entity (individually or collectively with other person(s) listed in Part VII, Section A)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>		No
b	Have a family member who had a direct or indirect business relationship with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	Yes	
c	Serve as an officer, director, trustee, key employee, partner, or member of an entity (or a shareholder of a professional corporation) doing business with the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i>	Yes	
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i>		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i>		No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations section 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i>	Yes	
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i>	Yes	
35	Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>	Yes	
36	501(c)(3) organizations Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i>		No
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5 percent 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>		No

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096, <i>Annual Summary and Transmittal of U.S. Information Returns</i> . Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1a 26		
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable		
	1b 0		
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	Yes	
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, <i>Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements</i> filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return		
	2a 198		
b	If at least one is reported in 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns? Note: If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file this return.	Yes	
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year covered by this return?	Yes	
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	Yes	
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?		No
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country _____ See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts .		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?		No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?		No
c	If "Yes," to 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T, <i>Disclosure by Tax-Exempt Entity Regarding Prohibited Tax Shelter Transaction</i> ?		
6a	Did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?		
7	<i>Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</i>		
a	Did the organization provide goods or services in exchange for any quid pro quo contribution of \$75 or more?		No
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?		
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?		No
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year		
	7d		
e	Did the organization, during the year, receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?		No
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?		No
g	For all contributions of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?		
h	For contributions of cars, boats, airplanes, and other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C as required?		
8	<i>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</i> Did the supporting organization, or a fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?		
9	<i>Section 501(c)(3) and other sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</i>		
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
10	<i>Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</i> Enter		
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12		
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities		
11	<i>Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</i> Enter		
a	Gross income from members or shareholders		
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)		
12a	<i>Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</i> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?		
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year		
	12b		

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure (Sections A, B, and C request information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

Section A. Governing Body and Management

For each "Yes" response to lines 2-7 below, and for a "No" response to lines 8 or 9b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body		
1b	Enter the number of voting members that are independent		
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	Yes	
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?		No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its organizational documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?		No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a material diversion of the organization's assets?		No
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders?		No
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body?		No
7b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons?		No
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
8a	the governing body?	Yes	
8b	each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	Yes	
9a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?		No
9b	If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization?		
10	Was a copy of the Form 990 provided to the organization's governing body before it was filed? All organizations must describe in Schedule O the process, if any, the organization uses to review the Form 990	Yes	
11	Is there any officer, director or trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O		No

Section B. Policies

		Yes	No
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No", go to line 13	Yes	
12b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	Yes	
12c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done	Yes	
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	Yes	
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	Yes	
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision		
15a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official?	Yes	
15b	Other officers or key employees of the organization? Describe the process in Schedule O	Yes	
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?		No
16b	If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable Federal tax law, and taken 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 _____
- 18** Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply.
 own website another's website upon request
- 19** Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public. See Additional Data Table
- 20** State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization
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Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

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

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Use Schedule J-2 if additional space is needed.

* List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations) and key employees regardless of amount of compensation, and current key employees. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid.

* List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations.

* List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

* List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations.

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors; institutional trustees; officers; key employees; highest compensated employees; and former such persons.

Check this box if the organization did not compensate any officer, director, trustee or key employee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual Trustee or Director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			

Part VII Continued

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual Trustee or Director	Institutional Trustee	Official	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
1b Total							1,446,274	359,122	296,880	

2 Total number of individuals (including those in 1a) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization **9**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	Yes	
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	Yes	
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>		No

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

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

2 Total number of independent contractors (including those in 1) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization **0**

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

			(A) Total Revenue	(B) Related or Exempt Function Revenue	(C) Unrelated Business Revenue	(D) Revenue Excluded from Tax under IRC 512, 513, or 514	
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a	Federated campaigns . . . 1a					
	b	Membership dues 1b					
	c	Fundraising events 1c					
	d	Related organizations . . . 1d					
	e	Government grants (contributions) 1e					
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above 1f					
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$ _____ 1f					
	h	Total (Add lines 1a-1f)	0				
Program Service Revenue	2a	SUPPORT SERVICES FESS	561,000	13,386,180	13,386,180		
		Business Code					
	b	LICENSE & MAINT FEES	561,000	2,130,368	2,130,368		
	c						
	d						
	e						
	f	All other program service revenue					
g	Total. Add lines 2a-2f						
		\$ 15,516,548					
Other Revenue	3	Investment income (including dividends, interest other similar amounts)		149,778		149,778	
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds		0			
	5	Royalties		1,588,058		1,588,058	
	6a	Gross Rents	(i) Real				
			(ii) Personal				
	b	Less rental expenses					
	c	Rental income or (loss)					
	d	Net rental income or (loss)					
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities				
			(ii) Other				
b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses						
c	Gain or (loss)						
d	Net gain or (loss)		-597,307		-597,307		
8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 Attach Schedule G if total exceeds \$15,000 a						
		b	Less direct expenses . . . b				
		c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events		0		
9a	Gross income from gaming activities See part IV, line 19 Complete Schedule G if total exceeds \$15,000 a						
		b	Less direct expenses . . . b				
		c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities		0		
10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . a						
		b	Less cost of goods sold . . . b				
		c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory		0		
	Miscellaneous Revenue	Business Code					
11a	MISCELLANEOUS	561,000	93,155	68,427	24,728		
b							
c							
d	All other revenue _____						
e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d	\$ 93,155					
12	Total Revenue. Add lines 1h, 2g, 3, 4, 5, 6d, 7d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e		16,750,232	15,584,975	24,728	1,140,529	

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) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).**

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U S See Part IV, line 21	0			
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22	0			
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations and individuals outside the U S See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	0			
4	Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	701,252	701,252		
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)	0			
7	Other salaries and wages	8,681,978	8,681,978		
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	3,764,912	3,764,912		
9	Other employee benefits	1,384,009	1,384,009		
10	Payroll taxes	670,488	670,488		
11	Fees for services (non-employees)				
a	Management	0			
b	Legal	59,489	59,489		
c	Accounting	33,260	33,260		
d	Lobbying	1,147	1,147		
e	Professional fundraising See Part IV, line 17	0			
f	Investment management fees	13,589	13,589		
g	Other	0			
12	Advertising and promotion	0			
13	Office expenses	30,709	30,709		
14	Information technology	0			
15	Royalties	0			
16	Occupancy	0			
17	Travel	67,201	67,201		
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any Federal, state or local public officials	0			
19	Conferences, conventions and meetings	15,595	15,595		
20	Interest	131,694	131,694		
21	Payments to affiliates	0			
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	499,824	499,824		
23	Insurance	119,976	119,976		
24	Other expenses—Itemize expenses not covered above (Expenses grouped together and labeled miscellaneous may not exceed 5% of total expenses shown on line 25 below)				
a	EQUIPMENT RENTAL & REPAIR	171,005	171,005		
b	UTILITIES	147,218	147,218		
c	PERSONNEL EXPENSE	91,734	91,734		
d	CONTRACT LABOR	84,939	84,939		
e	SOFTWARE EXPENSE	75,558	75,558		
f	All other expenses	416,203	416,203		
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	17,161,780	17,161,780	0	0
26	Joint Costs. Check <input type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X Balance Sheet

				(A)		(B)	
				Beginning of year		End of year	
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing		0	1	0	
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments		495,884	2	594,707	
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net			3		
	4	Accounts receivable, net		113,683	4	246,369	
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees or other related parties <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i>			5		
	6	Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i>			6		
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net			7		
	8	Inventories for sale or use			8		
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		36,602	9	56,268	
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment cost basis	10a	11,683,970			
	b	Less accumulated depreciation <i>Complete Part VI of Schedule D</i>	10b	8,814,604	3,289,368	10c	2,869,366
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities		5,774,484	11	5,505,331	
	12	Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part VII of Schedule D</i>			12		
	13	Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part VIII of Schedule D</i>			13		
	14	Intangible assets			14		
	15	Other assets See Part IV, line 11 <i>Complete Part IX of Schedule D</i>		737,079	15	3,354,590	
16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)		10,447,100	16	12,626,631		
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses		532,554	17	577,061	
	18	Grants payable			18		
	19	Deferred revenue		3,105,088	19	2,903,095	
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities			20		
	21	Escrow account liability <i>Complete Part IV of Schedule D</i>			21		
	22	Payable to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons <i>Complete Part II of Schedule L</i>			22		
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties			23		
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable		2,699,612	24	2,781,151	
	25	Other liabilities <i>Complete Part X of Schedule D</i>		4,054,344	25	6,409,114	
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25		10,391,598	26	12,670,421	
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.						
	27	Unrestricted net assets		55,502	27	-43,790	
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets			28		
	29	Permanently restricted net assets			29		
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.						
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds			30		
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund			31		
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds			32		
33	Total net assets or fund balances		55,502	33	-43,790		
34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances		10,447,100	34	12,626,631		

Part XI Financial Statements and Reporting

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> accrual <input type="checkbox"/> other		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		No
2b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	Yes	
2c	If "Yes" to lines 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?	Yes	
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		No
3b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits?		

SCHEDULE A
(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Public Charity Status and Public Support

OMB No 1545-0047

2008

Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

To be completed by all section 501(c)(3) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts.

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

Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization

The Foundation for Educational Services Inc

Employer identification number

47-0703499

Part I Reason for Public Charity Status (to be completed by all organizations) (See Instructions)

The organization is not a private foundation because it is (Please check only **one** organization)

- 1 A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(i)**.
- 2 A school described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)**. (Attach Schedule E)
- 3 A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. (Attach Schedule H)
- 4 A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii)**. Enter the hospital's name, city, and state _____
- 5 An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv)**. (Complete Part II)
- 6 A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(v)**.
- 7 An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)
- 8 A community trust described in **Section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II)
- 9 An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **Section 509(a)(2)**. (Complete Part III)
- 10 An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See **Section 509(a)(4)**. (See instructions)
- 11 An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2) See **Section 509(a)(3)**. Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h
 - a Type I
 - b Type II
 - c Type III - Functionally Integrated
 - d Type III - Other

e By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)

f If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II or Type III supporting organization, check this box

g Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?

- (i) a person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the the supported organization?
- (ii) a family member of a person described in (i) above?
- (iii) a 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?

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

h Provide the following information about the organizations the organization supports

(i) Name of Supported Organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 9 above or IRC section (See Instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U S ?		(vii) A amount of support?
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
EDUCATIONQUEST FOUNDATION INC	470606382	09	Yes		Yes		Yes		4373968
NEBRASKA STUDENT LOAN PROGRAM INC	363514573	09	Yes		Yes		Yes		14519261
Total									18,893,229

Part II Support Schedule for Organizations Described in IRC 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.)

Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add line 1-3						
5 The portion of total contribution by each person (other than a government unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceed 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						
6 Public Support subtract line 5 from line 4						

Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4						
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV)						
11 Total Support (Add lines 7 through 10)						
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc (See instructions)					12	
13 First Five Years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here						<input type="checkbox"/>

Computation of Public Support Percentage

14 Public Support Percentage for 2008 (line 6 column (f) divided by line 11 column (f))	14	
15 Public Support Percentage for 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 26f	15	
16a 33 1/3% Test - 2008. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
b 33 1/3% Test - 2007. If the organization did not check the box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
17a 10% Facts and Circumstances Test - 2008. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
b 10% Facts and Circumstances Test - 2007. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization		<input type="checkbox"/>
18 Private Foundation. If the organization did not check the 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 IRC 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I.)

Section A. Public Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total Add lines 1-5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of 1% of the total of lines 9, 10c, 11, and 12 for the year or \$5,000						
c Total of lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public Support (Subtract line 7c from line 6)						

Total Support

Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2004	(b) 2005	(c) 2006	(d) 2007	(e) 2008	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after 30 June, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total Support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12)						
14 First Five Years If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here <input type="checkbox"/>						

Computation of Public Support Percentage

15 Public Support Percentage for 2008 (line 8 column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	15	
16 Public Support Percentage for 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27g	16	

Computation of Investment Income Percentage

17 Investment Income Percentage for 2008 (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	17	
18 Investment Income Percentage from 2007 Schedule A, Part IV-A, line 27h	18	

- 19a 33 1/3% Tests - 2008.** 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% Tests - 2007.** If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3% and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and **stop here**. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization
- 20 Private Foundation** If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a or 19b, check this box and see instructions

Part IV **Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the information required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b, or Part III, line 12. Provide and any other additional information. (see instructions)

Facts and Circumstances Test

SCHEDULE C (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Political Campaign and Lobbying Activities

OMB No 1545-0047

For Organizations Exempt From Income Tax Under section 501(c) and section 527

2008

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

To be completed by organizations described below. Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ

If the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, Line 3, or Form 990-EZ, Part VI, line 46 (Political Campaign Activities)

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

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

- 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
Section 501(c)(4), (5), or (6) organizations complete Part III

Name of the organization The Foundation for Educational Services Inc

Employer identification number 47-0703499

Part I-A To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c) and section 527 organizations. (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

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

Part I-B To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3). (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

- 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 in 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 To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c), except section 501(c)(3). (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

- 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 internal funds contributed to other organizations for section 527 exempt function activities \$
3 Total of direct and indirect exempt function expenditures Add lines 1 and 2 and enter here and on Form 1120-POL, line 17b \$
4 Did the filing organization file Form 1120-POL for this year? Yes No
5 State the names, addresses and Employer Identification Number (EIN) of all section 527 political organizations to which payments were made Enter the amount paid and indicate if the amount was paid from the filing organization's own internal funds or were political contributions received and 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

Table with 5 columns: (a) Name, (b) Address, (c) EIN, (d) Amount paid from filing organization's internal funds, (e) Amount of political contributions received and promptly and directly delivered to a separate political organization.

Part II-A To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)). (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

- A** Check if the filing organization belongs to an affiliated group
- B** Check if the filing organization checked box A and "limited control" provisions apply

Limits on Lobbying Expenditures— (The term "expenditures" means amounts paid or incurred.)	(a) Filing Organization's Totals	(b) Affiliated Group Totals
1a Total lobbying expenditures to influence public opinion (grass roots lobbying)		
b Total lobbying expenditures to influence a legislative body (direct lobbying)		
c Total lobbying expenditures (add lines 1a and 1b)		
d Other exempt purpose expenditures		
e Total exempt purpose expenditures (add lines 1c and 1d)		
f Lobbying nontaxable amount Enter the amount from the following table in both columns—		
If the amount on line 1e, column (a) or (b) is:		
Not over \$500,000	The lobbying nontaxable amount is: 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	
g Grassroots nontaxable amount (enter 25% of line 1f)		
h Subtract line 1g from line 1a Enter -0- if line g is more than line a		
i Subtract line 1f from line 1c Enter -0- if line f is more than line c		
j 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 checked="" 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 instructions for lines 1a through 1f of the instructions.)

Lobbying Expenditures During 4-Year Averaging Period					
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in)	(a) 2005	(b) 2006	(c) 2007	(d) 2008	(e) Total
2a Lobbying non-taxable amount					
b Lobbying ceiling amount (150% of line 2a, column(e))					
c Total lobbying expenditures					
d Grassroots non-taxable amount					
e Grassroots ceiling amount (150% of line d, column (e))					
f Grassroots lobbying expenditures					

Part II-B To be completed by organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) that have NOT filed Form 5768 (election under section 501(h)). (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

	(a)		(b)
	Yes	No	Amount
1 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			
a Volunteers?		No	
b Paid staff or management (include compensation in expenses reported on lines c through i)?		No	
c Media advertisements?		No	
d Mailings to members, legislators, or the public?	Yes		1,147
e Publications, or published or broadcast statements?		No	
f Grants to other organizations for lobbying purposes?		No	
g Direct contact with legislators, their staffs, government officials, or a legislative body?		No	
h Rallies, demonstrations, seminars, conventions, speeches, lectures, or any other means?		No	
i Other activities If "Yes," describe in Part IV		No	
j Total lines 1c through 1i			1,147
2a Did the activities in line 1 cause the organization to be not described in section 501(c)(3)?		No	
b If "Yes" enter the amount of any tax incurred under section 4912			
c If "Yes" enter the amount of any tax incurred by organization managers under section 4912			
d If the filing organization incurred a section 4912 tax, did it file Form 4720 for this year?			

Part III-A To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6). (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

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

Part III-B To be completed by all organizations exempt under section 501(c)(4), section 501(c)(5), or section 501(c)(6) if BOTH Part III-A, questions 1 and 2 are answered "No" OR if Part III-A, question 3 is answered "Yes." (See the instructions for Schedule C for details.)

1 Dues, assessments and similar amounts from members	1 \$
2 Section 162(e) non-deductible lobbying and political expenditures <i>(do not include amounts of political expenses for which the section 527(f) tax was paid).</i>	
a Current Year	2a \$
b Carryover from last year	2b \$
c Total	2c \$
3 Aggregate amount reported in section 6033(e)(1)(A) notices of nondeductible section 162(e) dues	3 \$
4 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 expenditure next year?	4 \$
5 Taxable amount of lobbying and political expenditures (line 2c total minus 3 and 4)	5 \$

Part IV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part I-A, line 1, Part I-B, line 4, Part I-C, line 5, and Part II-B, line 1. Also, complete this part for any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Lobbying activity	Schedule C, Part I-A, 1	Information was provided to employees about a letter writing campaign regarding student loan legislation. The letters were to be sent to congressional representatives. FES only provided the information to employees and participation was not mandatory.

Part IV Supplemental Information

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation

SCHEDULE D (Form 990)

OMB No 1545-0047

Supplemental Financial Statements

2008

Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.

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Name of the organization

The Foundation for Educational Services Inc

Employer identification number

47-0703499

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include total number at end of year, aggregate contributions, aggregate grants, aggregate value, and questions about donor informed status.

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include purpose of easements, number of easements, acreage, and monitoring expenses.

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

Table with 3 columns: Question, (a) Donor advised funds, (b) Funds and other accounts. Rows include questions about reporting art and historical treasures.

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

3 Using the organization's accession and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

- a** Public exhibition
- b** Scholarly research
- c** Preservation for future generations
- d** Loan or exchange programs
- e** Other

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV

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

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain why in Part XIV and complete the following table

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

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

	(a) Current Year	(b) Prior Year	(c) Two Years Back	(d) Three Years Back	(e) Four Years Back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Investment earnings or 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 year end balance held as

- a** Board designated or quasi-endowment
- b** Permanent endowment
- c** Term endowment

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

	Yes	No
(i) unrelated organizations	3a(i)	
(ii) related organizations	3a(ii)	
b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	3b	

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

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

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (Investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings	0	7,628,157	4,942,666	2,685,491
c Leasehold improvements				
d Equipment		4,055,812	3,871,937	183,875
e Other				
Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				2,869,366

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

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Financial derivatives and other financial products		
Closely-held equity interests		
Other		
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12)		

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

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13)		

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

(a) Description	(b) Book value
INVESTMENT IN SUBSIDIARY	0
DUE FROM AFFILIATES	3,354,590
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.)	3,354,590

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

(a) Description of Liability	(b) Amount
Federal Income Taxes	
BUILDING DEPOSIT	750,000
BONDS PAYABLE	1,500,000
ACCRUED PENSION LIABILITY	4,159,114
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25)	6,409,114

In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	16,750,232
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	17,161,780
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-411,548
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	312,256
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	8	
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 - 8	9	312,256
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	-99,292

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

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	17,048,899
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	312,256
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	-13,589
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	298,667
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	16,750,232
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1 :		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	
5	Total Revenue Add lines 3 and 4c . (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	16,750,232

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

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	17,148,191
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Losses reported on Form 990, Part IX, line 25	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	17,148,191
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1 :		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	13,589
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	13,589
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c . (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	17,161,780

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part XIV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Investment expenses	Schedule D, Part XI, line 2d	Investment income is negative income, therefore, it was reclassified to expenses
FIN 48 footnote	Part XIV	FES adopted Accounting for Uncertainty of Income Tax during 2008. This standard provides specific guidance on how to address uncertainty in accounting for income tax assets and liabilities, prescribing recognition thresholds and measurement attributes. The adoption of this standard by FES did not have a material impact on the financial position, results of operations, or cash flows.

Schedule J
(Form 990)

Compensation Information

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For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

▶ Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" to 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 in 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 idemnification 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 (e g , maid, chauffeur, chef)

b If line 1a is checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all 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 officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?

3 Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director Check all that apply

- | | |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study |
| <input checked="" 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 in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a

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

501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations only must complete lines 5-8.

5 For persons listed in 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," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III

6 For persons listed in 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," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III

7 For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III

8 Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regs section 53 4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III

	Yes	No
1b		
2		
4a		No
4b		No
4c		No
5a		No
5b		No
6a		No
6b		No
7		No
8		No

Part II Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees. Use Schedule J-1 if additional space needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in 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 are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

Note. The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a

(A) Name		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other compensation				
ELIZABETH S KOOP	(i)	2,000	0	0	0	0	2,000	
	(ii)	226,041	0	0	0	39,682	265,723	
CAROLYN J THOMA	(i)	208,772	0	15,500	28,719	7,377	260,368	
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	
GUY SAUNDERS	(i)	23,277	0	186,660	0	0	209,937	
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	
DAN D DELZELL	(i)	128,292	0	15,500	22,316	811	166,919	
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Irene G Williams	(i)	131,561	0	9,073	14,128	8,364	163,126	
	(ii)	0	0	0	0	0	0	
CLANCY WOOLMAN	(i)	1,890	0	0	0	0	1,890	
	(ii)	63,484	0	0	0	0	63,484	
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							
	(i)							
	(ii)							

Part III Supplemental Information

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

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation

Schedule L (Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Transactions with Interested Persons

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Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 25a, 25b, 26, 27, 28a, 28b, or 28c, or Form 990-EZ, Part V lines 38b or 40b.

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

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 25a or 25b, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 40b

Table with 3 main columns: (a) Name of disqualified person, (b) Description of transaction, (c) Corrected? (Yes/No)

2 Enter the amount of tax imposed on the organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under section 4958 \$

3 Enter the amount of tax, if any, on line 2, above, reimbursed by the organization \$

Part II Loans to and/or From Interested Persons

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 26, or Form 990-EZ, Part V, line 38a

Table with 7 main columns: (a) Name of interested person and purpose, (b) Loan to or from the organization?, (c) Original principal amount, (d) Balance due, (e) In default?, (f) Approved by board or committee?, (g) Written agreement?

Part III Grants or Assistance Benefitting Interested Persons

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 27.

Table with 3 main columns: (a) Name of interested person, (b) Relationship between interested person and the organization, (c) Amount of grant or type of assistance

Part IV Business Transactions Involving Interested Persons

To be completed by organizations that answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, line 28a, 28b, or 28c.

Table with 5 main columns: (a) Name of interested person, (b) Relationship between interested person and the organization, (c) Amount of transaction, (d) Description of transaction, (e) Sharing of organization's revenues?

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990)

Supplemental Information to Form 990

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Name of the organization
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Employer identification number
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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Conflicts of interest policy	Part VI, Section C, 12c	FES maintains a comprehensive conflicts of interest policy for directors and officers. The policy exists to identify potential instances in which an individual could obtain a direct or indirect personal gain or advantage to the detriment of the organization, or where an individual's conduct could have an adverse or potentially adverse effect on the interests of the organization. The policy contains an affirmative duty to disclose, as well as a specific process for disclosures of potential conflicts of interest, a protocol in which independent, outside legal counsel is used to evaluate whether a conflict exists, procedures for addressing actual conflicts of interest, and consequences for violations of the conflicts policy. The policy requires all directors and officers to complete and submit an annual conflicts disclosure form to outside legal counsel. In addition, the conflict of interest policy is included in the employee handbook which all employees must acknowledge and agree to abide by.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Officer, director, trustee, or key employee relationships	Part VI, Section A, 2	Guy Saunders, member of the FES Board, is father to Elizabeth Koop who serves as President of EducationQuest and Trustee of FES and Affiliates Retirement Plans.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Form 990 provided to the organization's governing body before it was filed	Part VI, Section A, 10	The 990 is prepared by KPMG, reviewed by staff and mailed to all board members. The 990 is presented to the audit committee and the board.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Process for determining compensation	Part VI, Section B, 15	Outside legal counsel undertakes a comprehensive evaluation of the compensation and benefit packages for officers and other affected employees of the organization, comparing the same to relevant industry and other market comparables. Counsel then provides to the Board of Directors a summary of the comparability data, an analysis of the data relative to the organizational employees, and a reasoned opinion concerning his conclusion. The Board of Directors then confirms and ratifies all compensation/benefits packages, with the decision process properly documented as required by the regulations. On a routine basis we engage an independent compensation specialist to provide comparable data for key positions.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Public availability of documents, policies, and financial statements	Part VI, Section C, 19	FES does not make their governing documents, conflict of interest policy, or financial statements available to the public.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
FORMER BOARD MEMBER	PART VII, SECTION A	CLANCY WOOLMAN RECEIVED BOARD FEES IN 2008 THAT WERE DEFERRED FROM 2007 DUE TO LITIGATION

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Hours per Week Devoted to Related Organization	Part VII	Listed below are the average hours per week devoted to related organizations for persons listed in column (A) of Part VII -A Eugene Crump 0.5 -Jack Huck 0.3 -Thomas Smith 0.5

**SCHEDULE R
(Form 990)**

Related Organizations and Unrelated Partnerships

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▶ **Attach to Form 990. To be completed by organizations that answer "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, lines 33, 34, 35, 36, or 37.**
▶ **See separate instructions.**

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Part I Identification of Disregarded Entities

(A) Name, address, and EIN 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
FES LLC 1300 O STREET LINCOLN, NE 68508 26-3787116	Pub Sch Comm	NE	1,613,826	527,801	

Part II Identification of Related Tax-Exempt Organizations

(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
Nebraska Student Loan Program 1300 O STREET LINCOLN, NE68508 36-3514573	guarantor	NE	501(c)(3)	Type II	
EDUCATIONQUEST 1300 O STREET LINCOLN, NE68508 31-1777710	edu support	NE	501(c)(3)	Type II	
FINANCIAL INSTITUTION MARKETING CORP II 1300 O STREET LINCOLN, NE68508 47-0776488	inactive	NE	501(c)(3)	Type II	

Part III Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Partnership

(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, investment, unrelated)	(F) Share of total income	(G) Share of end-of- year assets	(H) Disproportionate allocations?		(I) Code V—UBI amount on Box 20 of K-1	(J) General or managing partner?	
							Yes	No		Yes	No

Part IV Identification of Related Organizations Taxable as a Corporation or Trust

(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
COLLEGIATE FINANCIAL SERVICES 1300 O STREET LINCOLN, NE68508 47-0802300	Inactive	NE		C	74	40,184	100 %

Part V Transactions with Related Organizations**Note.** Complete line 1 if any entity is listed in Parts II, III or IV**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 **(iv)** rent from a controlled entity
- b** Gift, grant, or capital contribution to other organization(s)
- c** Gift, grant, or capital contribution from other organization(s)
- d** Loans or loan guarantees to or for other organization(s)
- e** Loans or loan guarantees by other organization(s)
- f** Sale of assets to other organization(s)
- g** Purchase of assets from other organization(s)
- h** Exchange of assets
- i** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets to other organization(s)
- j** Lease of facilities, equipment, or other assets from other organization(s)
- k** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations for other organization(s)
- l** Performance of services or membership or fundraising solicitations by other organization(s)
- m** Sharing of facilities, equipment, mailing lists, or other assets
- n** Sharing of paid employees
- o** Reimbursement paid to other organization for expenses
- p** Reimbursement paid by other organization for expenses
- q** Other transfer of cash or property to other organization(s)
- r** Other transfer of cash or property from other organization(s)

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

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

(A) Name of other organization(s)	(B) Transaction type(a-r)	(C) Amount Involved
(1) EducationQuest	a(iv)	206,438
(2) Nebraska Student Loan Program	a(iv)	209,024
(3) EducationQuest	i	1,804,293
(4) Nebraska Student Loan Program	i	6,752,334
(5) EducationQuest	k	924,839
(6) Nebraska Student Loan Program	k	3,100,336

Part VI Unrelated Organizations Taxable as a Partnership

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

(A) Name, address, and EIN of entity	(B) Primary activity	(C) Legal domicile (state or foreign country)	(D) Are all partners section 501(c)(3) organizations?		(E) Share of end-of-year assets	(F) Disproporionate allocations?		(G) Code V—UBI amount on Box 20 of K-1	(H) General or managing partner?	
			Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No

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	(A) Name of other organization	(B) Transaction type(a-r)	(C) Amount Involved (\$)
(1)	EducationQ uest	a(iv)	206,438
(2)	Nebraska Student Loan Program	a(iv)	209,024
(3)	EducationQ uest	i	1,804,293
(4)	Nebraska Student Loan Program	i	6,752,334
(5)	EducationQ uest	k	924,839
(6)	Nebraska Student Loan Program	k	3,100,336