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Nebraska State Treasurer, Trustee

(Administration, Operation and Maintenance of the Program)

Nebraska Investment Council

(Investment of Plan Assets)



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Plan Name	NEST Direct Plan	NEST Advisor Plan	TD Ameritrade 529 College Savings Plan Direct & Institutional	State Farm 529 Savings Plan			
Program Launch Date	January 2001	April 2001	January 2002 / Rebranded 2021	May 2003			
Contract Term	10 years	10 years	10 years	10 years			
Contract Notification Contract Expires	June 2030 December 2030	June 2030 December 2030	June 2030 December 2030	September 2022 December 2030			
Minimum Contribution	- 0 -	- 0 -	- 0 -	\$250 minimum initial contribution Waived with AIP of minimum \$50/portfolio Subsequent purchases are \$50/portfolio			
Maximum Contribution			\$500,000				
Age Limitations			None				
NE State Income Tax Deduction	\$10,000 per tax return (\$5,000 if married, filing separately)						
Annual Account Fee	- 0 -	- 0 -	- 0 -	\$15.00*			
Program Management Fee	0.08%	0.15%	0.12%	0.15%			
State Administration Fee	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%	0.02%			
Total Underlying Investment Expense & Fees Age-Based Investment Options	Range Index: 0.14%-0.21% Multi-Firm: 0.20%-0.28%	Range 0.21%-0.41%	Range Core: 0.18%-0.32% Socially Aware: 0.18%-0.32%	Range 0.47%-0.50%			
Static Investment Options	0.10%-0.28%	0.17%-0.40%	Core: 0.19%-0.32% Socially Aware: 0.19%-0.32%	0.17%-0.50%			
Individual Investment Options	0.12%-0.66%	0.19%-0.77%	0.16%-0.70%	n/a			

<sup>\*</sup>Account fee waived for any account that exceeds \$20,000 on the last day of the period that the fee is assessed.











Plan Name	NEST Direct Plan	NEST Advisor Plan	TD Ameritrade 529 College Savings Plan Direct & Institutional	State Farm 529 Savings Plan
Direct Sold	Yes	No	Yes	No
Advisor Sold	No	Yes	No	Yes
Sales Charge/Ongoing Fee Direct Shares Fee Structure A Fee Structure C Fee Structure C-1 Fee Structure F	None n/a n/a n/a n/a	n/a 3.50% / 0.25% 0.00% /0.50% 0.00%/1.00% 0.00%/0.00%	n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a	n/a 3.50% / 0.25% n/a n/a n/a
Payments to Broker Dealer  Direct Shares Fee Structure A Fee Structure C Fee Structure C-1 Fee Structure F	0 n/a n/a n/a n/a	n/a 3.00% / 0.25% 0.50% / 0.50% 1.00%/1.00% 0.00%/0.00%	n/a n/a n/a n/a n/a	n/a 3.00% / 0.25% n/a n/a n/a
# of Investment Options	26	27	29	8
# of Age-Based Options	6 (Index, Multi-Firm)	3 (Aggressive, Moderate, Index Conservative)	2 (Core, Socially Aware)	1
# of Static Options	5	5	10	7
# of Individual Options	15	19	17	n/a



#### Nebraska College Savings Disclosure

This material is provided for general and educational purposes only, and is not intended to provide legal, tax or investment advice, or for use to avoid penalties that may be imposed under U.S. federal tax laws. Some states, including Nebraska, offer favorable tax treatment to their residents only if they invest in the state's own plan. Investors should consider before investing whether their or their designated beneficiary's home state offers any state tax or other state benefits such as financial aid, scholarship funds, and protection from creditors that are only available for investments in such state's qualified tuition program and should consult their tax advisor, attorney and/or other advisor regarding your specific legal, investment or tax situation.

This material is not an offer to sell or a solicitation of an offer to buy any securities. Any offer to sell shares within a plan may only be made by the Program Disclosure Statement and Participation Agreement relating to the plan.

The college savings plans within the Nebraska College Savings Program are sponsored by the State of Nebraska and administered by the Nebraska State Treasurer, who serves as trustee to each of the four plan options. The four plan options offer a series of investment portfolios within the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust (plan issuer). The four plan options are intended to operate as qualified tuition programs, pursuant to section 529 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

An investor in a college savings plan within the Nebraska College Savings Program should consider the investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses associated with municipal fund securities before investing. More information about municipal fund securities is available in the issuer's official statement. An official statement may be obtained by going to the website for the plan option or by contacting the State Treasurer's office at 402-471-2455. The official statement should be read carefully before investing.

Participation in a plan within the Nebraska College Savings Program does not guarantee that contributions and the investment earnings, if any, will be adequate to cover future tuition and other higher education expenses or that a beneficiary will be admitted to or permitted to continue to attend an eligible educational institution.

Neither the State of Nebraska, the Nebraska State Treasurer, the Nebraska Investment Council nor the Program Manager shall have any debt or obligation to any contributor, any beneficiary or any other person as a result of the establishment of the plan, nor will these entities assume any risk or liability for mutual funds in which the plan invests.

Except for the Bank Savings Static Investment Option, investments in the four plans within the Nebraska College Savings Program are not guaranteed or insured by the FDIC, any of the four plan option's investment managers, the State of Nebraska, the Nebraska State Treasurer, the Nebraska Investment Council, the Trust, Union Bank & Trust Company, any of their respective affiliates, directors, officers or agents, or any other entity. Contributors to the plans assume all investment risk, including the potential loss of principal and liability for penalties such as those assessed on nonqualified withdrawals. It is possible to lose money by investing in the plans. FDIC Insurance is provided for the Bank Savings Static Investment Option up to the maximum amount set by federal law, currently \$250,000.

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## **Progress Report**

November 1, 2022

529 savings plans are a powerful tool for helping American families save for the rising cost of post-secondary education including a traditional 4-year college degree, technical and career training, or an apprenticeship program. For over 20 years, the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust (NEST) 529 Program remains devoted to inspiring parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and family friends to think about the importance of saving for the higher education needs of their children, grandchildren, and young people in their lives.

Despite the current market downturn, we continue to see growth in 529 accounts reflecting account owners' confidence in saving for higher education. Families are demonstrating their optimism by opening new college savings accounts and continuing to contribute to their existing accounts. NEST 529 is committed to helping families save for college. While the cost of a post-secondary education can seem overwhelming for many families and students, higher education is one of the best lifetime investments a family can make.

In working to achieve our program goals, we are proud of the many triumphs our college savings program has accomplished and hope you find our annual report to be both interesting and encouraging as we continue to assist thousands of families who are dedicated to saving for higher education. We are steadfast in ensuring that our college savings plans are among the best available and continue to be pleased with our account owners' commitment to planning for higher education through an increase in accounts and number of Nebraska beneficiaries.

Nationally, there are over 15.92 million accounts, and data from the College Savings Plans Network shows the total investment by American families in 529 plans has reached \$412.5 billion. In the four Nebraska Plans, at the end of the 3rd quarter for 2022, we had \$5.64 billion in assets and 296,852 accounts. As of September 30, 2022, there were 12,325 new accounts in all four plans for the 2022 calendar year-to-date, and the average account size was \$20,052. The average age of the account owner is 52 years old. The average age of the beneficiary is 14 years old. As of September 30, 2022, Nebraska's Participation Rate was 20.40%, which is higher than the 19.88% at the third quarter in 2021. The investment flexibility and structure of the Nebraska College Savings Plans have made Nebraska an attractive state for outside customers as well. Currently, 66% of accounts in the Trust are owned by non-Nebraska residents.

The Nebraska College Savings Plans continue to offer participants flexible and diverse investment options. We continue to develop strategies to raise awareness about the importance of saving for higher education, and we have been able to reach investors by promoting college savings through scholarship opportunities, social media, outreach, and webinars. Additionally, financial advisors and State Farm Agents have continued to have 529 discussions with clients regarding the importance of saving for future education expenses.

On October 26, 2021, the NEST Direct College Savings Plan received a Bronze rating from Morningstar. Morningstar acknowledged the improvements to the Plan's process and lower fees. The analysis also noted the significance of the Meadowlark Program and its goals to improve the challenges of investing for education.









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At the time of this publication, Morningstar's 2022 ratings have not yet been released.

The NEST Direct College Savings Plan and the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan have received the top fivecap rating for both residents and non-residents from the well-respected website, Savingforcollege.com. The Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan and the State Farm 529 Savings Plan have received the top five-cap rating for residents and a four and a half cap rating for non-residents.

The Meadowlark Program is a starting point for families as they begin their child's educational savings journey to set them up to soar. Research from the Center for Social Development shows that children with an education savings account are three times as likely to attend college and four times likely to graduate. The Meadowlark Savings Pledge ensures eligible Nebraska newborns are gifted a savings account for future education expenses. In June of 2021, 23,291 Meadowlark NEST accounts were funded with a \$50 seed deposit for Nebraska babies born on or after January 1, 2020. In 2022, we funded 23,455 Meadowlark accounts with \$50 each for babies born in Nebraska in 2021. Beneficiaries under the age of 30 who pursue higher education within the state will have access to these funds for qualified higher education expenses. Funding begins the year following the birth of the child and parents/guardians have the ability to opt out of the program. We are working to support our Meadowlark families along the way with tools for saving by providing NEST 529 information to account owners encouraging them to make automatic contributions to their own NEST account and to non-account owners encouraging them to open their own NEST 529 account.

Following are some additional highlights of our college savings program for 2021 and the first three quarters of 2022.

Effective January 1, 2021, as a result of changes in Nebraska law, the definition of "Nebraska Qualified Expenses" was expanded to include Apprenticeship Program Expenses. Costs incurred after January 1, 2021 for participation in an apprenticeship program that is registered and certified with the United States Secretary of Labor under 29 U.S.C. Section 50, as such existed on January 1, 2021, are treated as Nebraska Qualified Expenses.

Effective July 23, 2021, the TD Ameritrade 529 College Savings Plan was rebranded to the Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan. TD Ameritrade and TD Ameritrade Investment Management no longer provide subadministration or portfolio consulting services; therefore, the Plan had additional fee reductions for investors. The expenses for the Age-Based and Static Investment Options decreased by 15 basis points, and the expenses for the Individual Fund Investment Options decreased by 5 basis points.

On August 23, 2021, multiple accounts for a single beneficiary were consolidated into a single account. Accounts for the same beneficiary were combined under the original account number prior to the December 4, 2020 conversion of the Trust accounts. If an account owner held an Age-Based Investment Option and either a Static and/or Individual Fund Investment Option or invested in more than one Age-Based Investment









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Option for the same beneficiary, the Investment Options were held in separate accounts. All multiple accounts with the same account owner and beneficiary were successfully combined during the weekend of August 20-22, 2021.

In 2022, both the Employer Matching Contribution Incentive Program and the Low-Income Matching Scholarship Program were implemented. The Employer Matching Contribution Incentive Program provides incentive payments to employers who match their employee's contribution into a NEST Program account. Effective January 1, 2022, employers who partially or fully match employees' contributions in the previous year, can apply for and receive an incentive payment of 25 percent of their matched contributions, up to \$2,000 per employee per year. The program may award up to \$250,000 in total incentives per year.

Also as of January 1, 2022, the Low-Income Matching Scholarship Program provides that 200 percent of an account owner's contribution to a NEST Program account will be matched if the beneficiary is part of a family with a household income at or below 200 percent of the federal poverty level, or 100 percent of contributions if the beneficiary's household income is more than 200 percent but less than 250 percent of the federal poverty level, up to \$1,000 per participant per year. The program may award up to \$250,000 in total scholarships per year. Beneficiaries under the age of 30 who pursue higher education within the state will have access to the matched funds for qualified higher education expenses.

Effective January 1, 2022, the Gift Tax Annual Exclusion increased to \$16,000 per donee (\$32,000 for a married couple that elects on a federal gift tax return to "split" gifts). For federal gift tax purposes, contributions to a 529 account are considered a gift from the contributor to the Beneficiary that is eligible for the gift tax annual exclusion.

Effective July 21, 2022, as a result of changes in Nebraska law, the definition of "Nebraska Qualified Expenses" was expanded to include Qualified Education Loan Payments. Amounts paid as principal or interest on a qualified education loan of the Beneficiary or a sibling of the Beneficiary (subject to an aggregate lifetime limit of \$10,000 per individual), are treated as Nebraska Qualified Expenses.

NEST provides one of the best tools to save for college by providing plans that are simple and affordable while offering tax-saving benefits and multiple investment options. The plans allow tax-free investments while saving for college, and qualified withdrawals for higher education expenses are federal and state income taxfree. Funds can be used at eligible schools in Nebraska, nationwide and even some foreign schools. Nebraska account owners, who contribute to a Nebraska sponsored plan, can receive a Nebraska State Income Tax Deduction of up to \$10,000 per tax return (\$5,000 if married filing separately).

The College Savings Plan Network (CSPN), an affiliate of the National Association of State Treasurers (NAST), continues to work together with state programs on developing disclosure principles, which allow consumers to make objective comparisons of fees and expenses of each state's 529 college savings plan. All of the









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### Progress Report (cont.)

Nebraska sponsored plan Program Disclosure Statements are in compliance with the Disclosure Principles adopted. Each year, the State Treasurer, legal counsel and program manager revisit the plan disclosures and continue to update and improve our communications with the plan participants. Our college savings program is a member of the College Savings Plans Network and the College Savings Foundation.

The Nebraska College Savings Program began in 2001. The plans are qualified tuition programs under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code, which governs all state programs. There are four plans within Nebraska's Educational Savings Plan Trust – the NEST Direct College Savings Plan, the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan, the Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan, and the State Farm 529 Savings Plan. The Nebraska State Treasurer serves as the Program Trustee. Union Bank & Trust Company serves as the Program Manager, and all investments are approved by the Nebraska Investment Council.

As required by Nebraska State Statute 85-1811, the plans were audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America by independent certified public accountants. The related audit reports are included in this report, and all of the financial reports of the plans were presented in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

If you have any questions or comments regarding NEST, Nebraska's College Savings Program, please contact our office at 402-471-2455 or visit treasurer.nebraska.gov. We are happy to assist you with any questions you may have about the College Savings Program.









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### **Number of Accounts**

(Accounts and Assets as of September 30, 2022)

	New Accts in 2022	# of Accts	Assets
NEST Direct College Savings Plan	4,215	89,701	\$2,174,291,858
NEST Advisor College Savings Plan	4,110	77,961	\$1,174,738,935
Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan	2,572	72,645	\$1,699,256,145
State Farm® 529 Savings Plan	1,428	56,545	\$594,635,686
Totals	12,325	296,852	\$5,642,922,624







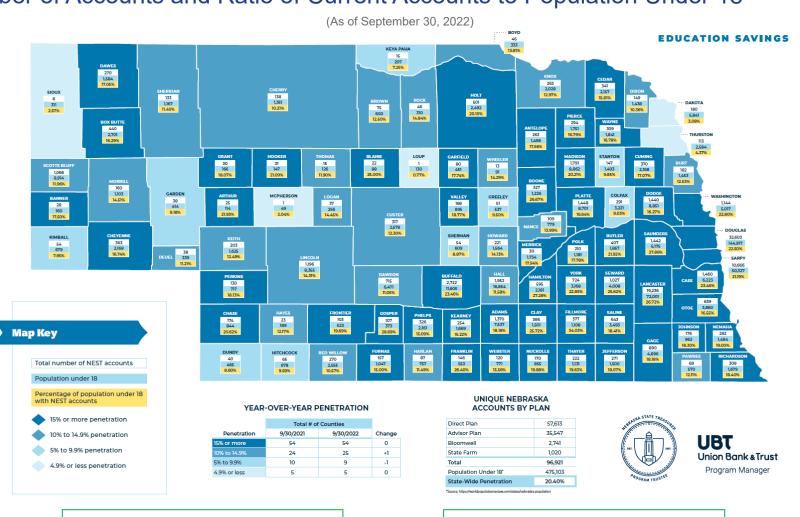




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### Number of Accounts and Ratio of Current Accounts to Population Under 18



Nebraska Assets \$1.433 bil 25%
Out-of-State Assets \$4.210 bil 75%

Nebraska Accounts	96,921	34%
Out-of-State Accounts	184,492	66%

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### **Program Manager**

#### **Union Bank & Trust**

### **NEST Direct College Savings Plan NEST Advisor College Savings Plan**

Effective December 4, 2020, the State Treasurer has contracted with Union Bank & Trust Company to provide program management services. Under this contract Union Bank & Trust provides the day-today administration, record keeping, and marketing of the "Plan" as set forth by LB 1003. Union Bank & Trust provides separate accounting for each beneficiary. In addition, they administer and maintain overall trust and individual account records. Following each quarter of the year, Union Bank & Trust presents performance reports of the Plan to the State Treasurer.

The NEST Direct Plan offers 26 unique investment options consisting of 6 Age-Based Portfolios, 5 Static Portfolios, and 15 Individual Investment Options ranging from aggressive to conservative investment options; including the Bank Savings Static Investment Option (an FDIC-insured option), to create a customized allocation portfolio.

The NEST Advisor Plan offers 27 unique investment options consisting of 3 Age-Based Portfolios, 5 Static Portfolios, and 19 Individual Investment Options ranging from aggressive to conservative investment options; including the Bank Savings Static Investment Option (an FDIC-insured option), to create a customized allocation portfolio. All of the investment options in both Plans have received the approval of the Nebraska Investment Council.

As of September 30, 2022, the NEST Direct Plan had 89,701 accounts and \$2,174,291,858 in assets. The NEST Advisor Plan had 77,961 accounts and \$1,174,738,935 in assets.

Hayes & Associates of Omaha performed agreed-upon procedures to verify compliance with the Program Management Agreement in maintaining separate accounting procedures and account recordkeeping. Hayes & Associates noted no exceptions in their testing procedures that would indicate noncompliance with account recordkeeping and reporting including the collection, deposit, and investing procedures of assets received by the Program Manager.

The audits for year-end 2021, and the agreed-upon procedures of the NEST College Savings Plans are included in this report.



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## **NEST Direct Age-Based Investment Options**

Choosing an Age-Based Option means your account will be placed in a portfolio based on the child's age. Each age-range portfolio has a different mix of and allocation to the different Underlying Investments, starting with more aggressive, growth-oriented investments and moving to more conservative as the student nears college age. Your account will automatically move to the next age-range portfolio as the beneficiary gets older. NEST Direct offers the ability to customize your account to your own investing style, whether its conservative, moderate, or aggressive.

#### **Age-Based Index**

Our Index Strategy utilizes Vanguard funds that adjust based on your beneficiary's age and your investment style.

#### **Age-Based Multi-Firm**

Our Age-Based Multi-Firm Strategy utilizes multiple fund families, including T. Rowe Price, DFA, Vanguard, and other quality fund families that adjust based on your beneficiary's age and your investment style.



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### NEST Direct Age-Based Asset Allocations (As of Period Ending: 9/30/2022)

#### **Index Investment Options**

Age-Based Index Investment Options						Age of Be	eneficiary					
Age-Based Index Aggressive	0-2	3–5	6–8	9–10	11-12	13-14	15-16	17-18	19+			
Age-Based Index Moderate		0-2	3–5	6-8	9–10	11-12	13-14	15-16	17-18	19+		
Age-Based Index Conservative				0-2	3–5	6–8	9–10	11-12	13-14	15-16	17-18	19+
Underlying Investments												
Vanguard Federal Money Market Fund									9.00%	23.00%	50.00%	100.0%
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index Fund					2.00%	4.00%	9.00%	13.00%	11.00%	14.00%	15.00%	
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Fund		2.00%	4.00%	6.00%	9.00%	11.00%	14.00%	22.00%	25.00%	22.00%	20.00%	
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund		7.00%	13.00%	20.00%	24.00%	29.00%	31.00%	30.00%	30.00%	28.00%	15.00%	
Vanguard Total International Bond Index Fund		1.00%	3.00%	4.00%	5.00%	6.00%	6.00%	5.00%	5.00%	3.00%		
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Fund	65.00%	60.00%	53.00%	46.00%	40.00%	34.00%	27.00%	21.00%	14.00%	7.00%		
Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund	29.00%	24.00%	22.00%	19.00%	16.00%	13.00%	10.00%	7.00%	4.00%	2.00%		
Vanguard Real Estate Index Fund	6.00%	6.00%	5.00%	5.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%		
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

#### **Multi-Firm Investment Options**

Age-Based Investment Options						Age of E	Beneficiary	′				
Age-Based Aggressive	0-2	3–5	6-8	9–10	11-12	13-14	15–16	17-18	19+			
Age-Based Moderate		0-2	3-5	6-8	9–10	11-12	13-14	15-16	17-18	19+		
Age-Based Conservative				0-2	3–5	6-8	9-10	11-12	13-14	15–16	17-18	19+
Static Investment Options	All Equity		Growth			Balanced			Conservative			
Vanguard Federal Money Market Fund									9.00%	23.00%	50.00%	100.0%
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index Fund					2.00%	4.00%	9.00%	13.00%	11.00%	14.00%	15.00%	
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Fund		2.00%	4.00%	6.00%	9.00%	11.00%	14.00%	22.00%	25.00%	22.00%	20.00%	
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund		4.00%	7.00%	10.00%	12.00%	15.00%	16.00%	15.00%	15.00%	14.00%	8.00%	
MetWest Total Return Bond Fund		3.00%	6.00%	10.00%	12.00%	14.00%	15.00%	15.00%	15.00%	14.00%	7.00%	
DFA World ex U.S. Government Fixed Income Portfolio		1.00%	3.00%	4.00%	5.00%	6.00%	6.00%	5.00%	5.00%	3.00%		
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Fund	27.00%	24.00%	21.00%	18.00%	16.00%	14.00%	11.00%	9.00%	6.00%	3.00%		
Vanguard Equity Income Fund	15.00%	14.00%	13.00%	11.00%	9.00%	8.00%	6.00%	5.00%	3.00%	2.00%		
T. Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Fund	15.00%	14.00%	13.00%	11.00%	9.00%	8.00%	6.00%	5.00%	3.00%	2.00%		
Vanguard Explorer Fund	4.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%	1.00%			
DFA U.S. Small Cap Value Portfolio	4.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%	1.00%			
Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund	29.00%	24.00%	22.00%	19.00%	16.00%	13.00%	10.00%	7.00%	4.00%	2.00%		
Vanguard Real Estate Index Fund	6.00%	6.00%	5.00%	5.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%		
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%



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## **NEST Direct Static Investment Options**

Static Options offer a fixed investment allocation throughout the life of your account. Unlike Age-Based, Static Options do not shift to a different allocation mix as your beneficiary approaches college age.

Our Static Investment Options utilize multiple fund families, including T. Rowe Price, DFA, Vanguard, and other quality fund families that target to maintain the stated asset allocation and do not adjust based on your beneficiary's age.

NEST offers five Static Investment Options: All Equity Static, Growth Static, Balanced Static, Conservative Static and Bank Savings Static.



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### NEST Direct Static Asset Allocations (As of Period Ending: 9/30/22)

#### **Multi-Firm Investment Options**

	Age of Beneficiary											
Age-Based Investment Options						Age of I	Beneficiary	'				
Age-Based Aggressive	0–2	3–5	6-8	9–10	11–12	13–14	15–16	17-18	19+			
Age-Based Moderate		0-2	3–5	6–8	9-10	11–12	13-14	15–16	17-18	19+		
Age-Based Conservative				0-2	3–5	6-8	9–10	11-12	13-14	15-16	17-18	19+
Static Investment Options	All Equity		Growth			Balanced			Conservative			
Vanguard Federal Money Market Fund									9.00%	23.00%	50.00%	100.0%
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index Fund					2.00%	4.00%	9.00%	13.00%	11.00%	14.00%	15.00%	
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Fund		2.00%	4.00%	6.00%	9.00%	11.00%	14.00%	22.00%	25.00%	22.00%	20.00%	
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund		4.00%	7.00%	10.00%	12.00%	15.00%	16.00%	15.00%	15.00%	14.00%	8.00%	
MetWest Total Return Bond Fund		3.00%	6.00%	10.00%	12.00%	14.00%	15.00%	15.00%	15.00%	14.00%	7.00%	
DFA World ex U.S. Government Fixed Income Portfolio		1.00%	3.00%	4.00%	5.00%	6.00%	6.00%	5.00%	5.00%	3.00%		
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Fund	27.00%	24.00%	21.00%	18.00%	16.00%	14.00%	11.00%	9.00%	6.00%	3.00%		
Vanguard Equity Income Fund	15.00%	14.00%	13.00%	11.00%	9.00%	8.00%	6.00%	5.00%	3.00%	2.00%		
T. Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Fund	15.00%	14.00%	13.00%	11.00%	9.00%	8.00%	6.00%	5.00%	3.00%	2.00%		
Vanguard Explorer Fund	4.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%	1.00%			
DFA U.S. Small Cap Value Portfolio	4.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%	1.00%			
Vanguard Total International Stock Index Fund	29.00%	24.00%	22.00%	19.00%	16.00%	13.00%	10.00%	7.00%	4.00%	2.00%		
Vanguard Real Estate Index Fund	6.00%	6.00%	5.00%	5.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%		
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%



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## **NEST Direct Individual Investment Options**

To provide additional flexibility, NEST offers 15 Individual Fund Investment Options from well-respected investment companies including Vanguard, State Street, T. Rowe Price, MetWest, and DFA. You can select any combination of the Individual Fund Investment Options to design an investment portfolio that meets your needs, risk tolerance, and investment style.

#### **Money Market**

Vanguard Federal Money Market 529

#### **Fixed Income**

Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index 529 Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index 529 Vanguard Total Bond Market Index 529 MetWest Total Return Bond 529 DFA World ex U.S. Government Fixed Income 529

#### Non-U.S. Equity

Vanguard Total International Stock Index 529

#### **U.S. Equity**

State Street Equity 500 Index 529
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index 529
Vanguard Equity Income 529
T. Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth 529
Vanguard Extended Market Index 529
Vanguard Explorer 529
DFA U.S. Small Cap Value 529

#### **Real Estate**

Vanguard Real Estate Index 529



### Performance as of September 30, 2022





The performance data shown represents past performance. Past performance - especially short-term performance - is not a guarantee of future results. Performance information is current as of the most recent timeframe referenced above and is net of the Underlying Investment expenses, Program Management Fee and State Administration Fee. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate, so that investors' units, when sold, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data cited. For further information about investments and for the most recent month-end performance data, please visit our website at NEST529.com

	Total Re	turns	Α					
Investment Option Name	Quarter Ending	Year					Since	Inception
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	9/30/2022	To Date	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception <sup>2</sup>	Date <sup>3</sup>
Age-Based Index Investment Options								
Age-Based Index Aggressive 0-2	-6.62%	-25.63%	-20.19%	-	-	-	-4.65%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 0-2 yr Index Aggressive	-6.34%	-25.52%	-20.06%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Index Aggressive 3-5	-6.19%	-24.42%	-19.33%	-	-	-	-5.05%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 3-5 yr Index Aggressive	-6.02%	-24.28%	-19.15%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Index Aggressive 6-8	-6.10%	-23.05%	-18.49%	-	-	-	-5.16%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 6-8 yr Index Aggressive	-5.76%	-23.00%	-18.43%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Index Aggressive 9-10	-5.62%	-21.81%	-17.70%	-	-	-	-5.22%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 9-10 yr Index Aggressive	-5.55%	-21.78%	-17.68%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Index Aggressive 11-12	-5.33%	-20.32%	-16.73%	-	-	-	-5.27%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 11-12 yr Index Aggressive	-5.21%	-20.23%	-16.65%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Index Aggressive 13-14	-5.07%	-18.66%	-15.68%	-	-	-	-5.73%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 13-14 yr Index Aggressive	-4.89%	-18.75%	-15.70%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Index Aggressive 15-16	-4.62%	-16.76%	-14.25%	-	-	-	-5.10%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 15-16 yr Index Aggressive	-4.58%	-16.95%	-14.38%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Index Aggressive 17-18	-4.08%	-14.63%	-12.68%	-	_	_	-4.70%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 17-18 yr Index Aggressive	-4.12%	-14.81%	-12.82%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Index Aggressive 19+	-3.47%	-12.32%	-11.05%	-	_	_	-4.59%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 19+ yr Index Aggressive	-3.50%	-12.38%	-10.98%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Index Moderate 0-2	-6.19%	-24.42%	-19.33%	-	-	-	-5.05%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 0-2 yr Index Moderate	-6.02%	-24.28%	-19.15%	-	_	_		
Age-Based Index Moderate 3-5	-6.10%	-23.05%	-18.49%	-	_	_	-5.16%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 3-5 yr Index Moderate	-5.76%	-23.00%	-18.43%	_	_	_		
Age-Based Index Moderate 6-8	-5.71%	-21.71%	-17.66%	-	_	_	-5.10%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 6-8 yr Index Moderate	-5.55%	-21.78%	-17.68%	_	_	_		
Age-Based Index Moderate 9-10	-5.27%	-20.02%	-16.45%	-	_	_	-5.68%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 9-10 yr Index Moderate	-5.21%	-20.23%	-16.65%	_	_	_		
Age-Based Index Moderate 11-12	-5.15%	-18.67%	-15.54%	-	_	_	-5.50%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 11-12 yr Index Moderate	-4.89%	-18.75%	-15.70%	_	_	_		
Age-Based Index Moderate 13-14	-4.83%	-16.94%	-14.43%	-	_	_	-5.22%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 13-14 yr Index Moderate	-4.58%	-16.95%	-14.38%	_	_	_		
Age-Based Index Moderate 15-16	-4.20%	-14.59%	-12.63%	_	_	_	-4.87%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 15-16 yr Index Moderate	-4.12%	-14.81%	-12.82%	_	_	_		, .,_0_0
Age-Based Index Moderate 17-18	-3.58%	-12.42%	-11.06%	_	_	_	-4.65%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 17-18 yr Index Moderate	-3.50%	-12.38%	-10.98%	_	_	_		, .,_0_0
Age-Based Index Moderate 19+	-2.72%	-9.08%	-8.37%	_	_	_	-3.85%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 19+ yr Index Moderate	-2.71%	-9.12%	-8.36%	_	_	_	0.0070	, .,_0_0
Age-Based Index Conservative 0-2	-5.65%	-21.89%	-17.79%	2.26%	3.91%	6.04%	6.22%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 0-2 yr Index Conservative	-5.55%	-21.78%	-17.68%	2.51%	4.17%	6.23%	J/V	, .,,
Age-Based Index Conservative 3-5	-5.48%	-20.38%	-16.78%	1.59%	-	0.2070 -	2.76%	7/20/2018
NEST Benchmark 3-5 yr Index Conservative	-5.21%	-20.23%	-16.65%	2.01%	_	_	2.10/0	.,_0,_0

	Total R	eturns	Α					
Investment Option Name	Quarter Ending		_	_	_		Since	Inception
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	9/30/2022	To Date	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception <sup>2</sup>	Date <sup>3</sup>
Age-Based Index Conservative 6-8	-5.04%	-18.75%	-15.76%	0.91%	2.72%	4.36%	4.69%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 6-8 yr Index Conservative	-4.89%	-18.75%	-15.70%	1.19%	2.98%	4.59%		
Age-Based Index Conservative 9-10	-4.67%	-16.90%	-14.40%	0.44%	-	-	1.89%	7/20/2018
NEST Benchmark 9-10 yr Index Conservative	-4.58%	-16.95%	-14.38%	0.81%	-	-		
Age-Based Index Conservative 11-12	-4.18%	-14.81%	-12.91%	-0.07%	1.69%	2.74%	3.16%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 11-12 yr Index Conservative	-4.12%	-14.81%	-12.82%	0.26%	2.00%	3.04%		
Age-Based Index Conservative 13-14	-3.57%	-12.28%	-10.93%	-0.60%	1.05%	1.36%	1.66%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 13-14 yr Index Conservative	-3.50%	-12.38%	-10.98%	-0.30%	1.35%	1.67%		
Age-Based Index Conservative 15-16	-2.67%	-9.08%	-8.39%	-1.07%	0.35%	0.60%	0.75%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 15-16 yr Index Conservative	-2.71%	-9.12%	-8.36%	-0.70%	0.73%	0.92%		
Age-Based Index Conservative 17-18	-1.29%	-3.97%	-3.97%	-1.02%	-	-	-0.19%	7/20/2018
NEST Benchmark 17-18 yr Index Conservative	-1.30%	-3.92%	-3.88%	-0.74%	-	-		
Age-Based Index Conservative 19+	0.49%	0.58%	0.58%	0.36%	-	-	0.80%	7/20/2018
NEST Benchmark 19+ yr Index Conservative	0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	0.57%	-	-		
Age-Based Multi-Firm Investment Options								
Age-Based Aggressive 0-2	-6.37%	-25.14%	-20.17%	4.39%	-	-	4.25%	7/20/2018
NEST Benchmark 0-2 yr Aggressive	-6.27%	-24.79%	-19.38%	4.86%	-	-		
Age-Based Aggressive 3-5	-6.02%	-24.02%	-19.44%	4.08%	5.38%	8.52%	8.02%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 3-5 yr Aggressive	-5.94%	-23.59%	-18.54%	4.33%	5.58%	8.65%		
Age-Based Aggressive 6-8	-5.89%	-22.94%	-18.87%	3.28%	4.84%	7.65%	7.51%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 6-8 yr Aggressive	-5.73%	-22.34%	-17.77%	3.59%	5.06%	7.78%		
Age-Based Aggressive 9-10	-5.76%	-21.88%	-18.26%	2.57%	-	-	3.30%	7/20/2018
NEST Benchmark 9-10 yr Aggressive	-5.51%	-21.21%	-17.17%	2.98%	-	-		
Age-Based Aggressive 11-12	-5.38%	-20.37%	-17.21%	2.04%	3.79%	6.01%	6.08%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 11-12 yr Aggressive	-5.16%	-19.75%	-16.28%	2.26%	3.95%	6.03%		
Age-Based Aggressive 13-14	-5.23%	-19.15%	-16.47%	1.23%	-	-	2.43%	7/20/2018
NEST Benchmark 13-14 yr Aggressive	-4.89%	-18.30%	-15.28%	1.70%	-	-		
Age-Based Aggressive 15-16	-4.89%	-17.41%	-15.13%	0.78%	2.67%	4.29%	4.57%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 15-16 yr Aggressive	-4.57%	-16.61%	-14.11%	1.04%	2.85%	4.38%		
Age-Based Aggressive 17-18	-4.35%	-15.19%	-13.48%	0.37%	-	-	1.80%	7/20/2018
NEST Benchmark 17-18 yr Aggressive	-4.14%	-14.51%	-12.52%	0.72%	-	-		
Age-Based Aggressive 19+	-3.75%	-12.85%	-11.67%	-0.07%	1.71%	2.64%	3.13%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 19+ yr Aggressive	-3.51%	-12.19%	-10.83%	0.12%	1.90%	2.83%		
Age-Based Moderate 0-2	-5.98%	-23.93%	-19.30%	3.68%	5.07%	7.77%	7.61%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 0-2 yr Moderate	-5.94%	-23.59%	-18.54%	4.24%	5.45%	7.99%		
Age-Based Moderate 3-5	-5.87%	-22.95%	-18.83%	2.84%	_	_	3.49%	7/20/2018
NEST Benchmark 3-5 yr Moderate	-5.73%	-22.34%	-17.77%	3.60%	-	-		
Age-Based Moderate 6-8	-5.77%	-21.90%	-18.24%	2.06%	3.81%	6.02%	6.09%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 6-8 yr Moderate	-5.51%	-21.21%	-17.17%	2.72%	4.23%	6.17%		
Age-Based Moderate 9-10	-5.44%	-20.39%	-17.25%	1.45%	_	_	2.58%	7/20/2018
NEST Benchmark 9-10 yr Moderate	-5.16%	-19.75%	-16.28%	2.21%	_	_		
Age-Based Moderate 11-12	-5.17%	-19.07%	-16.39%	0.68%	2.61%	4.26%	4.54%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 11-12 yr Moderate	-4.89%	-18.30%	-15.28%	1.35%	3.04%	4.48%		
Age-Based Moderate 13-14	-4.88%	-17.41%	-15.12%	0.19%	-	-	1.67%	7/20/2018
NEST Benchmark 13-14 yr Moderate	-4.57%	-16.61%	-14.11%	0.95%	-	-		
Age-Based Moderate 15-16	-4.35%	-15.23%	-13.48%	-0.23%	1.61%	2.59%	3.09%	12/17/2010
NEST Benchmark 15-16 yr Moderate	-4.14%	-14.51%	-12.52%	0.37%	2.05%	2.91%	/ <del>-</del>	
Age-Based Moderate 17-18	-3.73%	-12.83%	-11.63%	-0.79%	-	-	0.78%	7/20/2018
NEST Benchmark 17-18 yr Moderate	-3.51%	-12.19%	-10.83%	-0.16%	_	_	2070	
Age-Based Moderate 19+	-2.90%	-9.53%	-8.88%	-1.26%	_	_	0.14%	7/20/2018
NEST Benchmark 19+ yr Moderate	-2.74%	-8.99%	-8.18%	-0.64%	_	_		.,,

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Investment Option Name Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	Quarter Ending		4	2	E	40	Since Inception <sup>2</sup>	Inception
	9/30/2022	To Date	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year		Date <sup>3</sup>
Age-Based Conservative 0-2	-5.86%	-21.89%	-18.42%	-	-	-	-5.68%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 0-2 yr Conservative	-5.51%	-21.21%	-17.17%	-	-	-	4.470/	40/4/000
Age-Based Conservative 3-5	-5.25%	-19.93%	-16.89%	-	-	-	-4.47%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 3-5 yr Conservative	-5.16%	-19.75%	-16.28%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Conservative 6-8	-5.39%	-19.47%	-16.79%	-	-	-	-6.95%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 6-8 yr Conservative	-4.89%	-18.30%	-15.28%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Conservative 9-10	-5.52%	-18.29%	-16.02%	-	-	-	-5.22%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 9-10 yr Conservative	-4.57%	-16.61%	-14.11%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Conservative 11-12	-4.48%	-16.18%	-14.38%	-	-	-	-4.65%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 11-12 yr Conservative	-4.14%	-14.51%	-12.52%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Conservative 13-14	-3.90%	-12.63%	-11.45%	-	-	-	-4.87%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 13-14 yr Conservative	-3.51%	-12.19%	-10.83%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Conservative 15-16	-2.82%	-9.54%	-8.92%	-	-	-	-3.96%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 15-16 yr Conservative	-2.74%	-8.99%	-8.18%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Conservative 17-18	-1.43%	-4.18%	-4.18%	-	-	-	-2.10%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 17-18 yr Conservative	-1.30%	-3.92%	-3.88%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Conservative 19+	0.50%	0.60%	0.60%	-	-	-	0.33%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 19+ yr Conservative	0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	-	-	-		
Static Investment Options								
All Equity Static	-6.38%	-25.22%	-20.42%	4.33%	_	_	4.21%	7/20/201
NEST Benchmark All Equity Static	-6.27%	-24.79%	-19.38%	4.86%	_	_		
Growth Static	-5.97%	-23.00%	-18.90%	3.27%	4.84%	7.64%	7.50%	12/17/201
NEST Benchmark Growth Static	-5.73%	-22.34%	-17.77%	3.59%	5.06%	7.78%	1.0070	12/11/201
Balanced Static	-5.23%	-19.15%	-16.47%	1.23%	-	-	2.43%	7/20/201
NEST Benchmark Balanced Static	-4.89%	-18.30%	-15.28%	1.70%	_	_	2.4070	11201201
Conservative Static	-3.75%	-12.90%	-11.73%	-0.07%	1.71%	2.65%	3.13%	12/17/201
NEST Benchmark Conservative Static	-3.51%	-12.19%	-10.83%	0.12%	1.90%	2.83%	J. 1J /0	12/11/201
Bank Savings Static <sup>4</sup>	0.56%	0.84%	0.94%	0.78%	0.93%	0.71%	0.71%	10/17/201
TSE 3-Month T-Bill	0.36 %	0.62%	0.94%	0.76%	1.13%	0.66%	0.7 170	10/11/201
	0.4070	0.0270	0.0070	0.0170	1.1070	0.0070		
ndividual Investment Options								
/anguard Federal Money Market 529 <sup>5</sup>	0.50%	0.60%	0.60%	-	-	-	0.33%	12/4/202
FTSE 3 Month US T-Bill	0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	-	-	-		
/anguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index 529	-2.69%	-4.10%	-3.02%	2.20%	2.10%	-	1.82%	4/29/201
Bloomberg U.S. 0-5 Year TIPS Index	-2.62%	-3.98%	-2.86%	2.44%	2.35%	-		
/anguard Short-Term Bond Index 529	-2.12%	-6.65%	-7.27%	-1.09%	0.33%	0.59%	0.88%	12/17/201
Bloomberg U.S. 1-5 Year Government/Credit Float Adj Index	-2.16%	-6.62%	-7.29%	-0.90%	0.55%	0.88%		
/anguard Total Bond Market Index 529	-4.64%	-14.61%	-14.74%	-3.41%	-0.45%	0.62%	1.50%	12/17/201
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Float Adjusted Bond Index	-4.68%	-14.65%	-14.61%	-3.22%	-0.23%	0.91%		
MetWest Total Return Bond 529	-5.27%	-16.26%	-16.40%	-3.37%	-0.33%	-	0.32%	2/6/201
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index	-4.75%	-14.61%	-14.60%	-3.26%	-0.27%	-		
DFA World ex U.S. Government Fixed Income 529	-6.59%	-19.56%	-19.63%	-7.54%	-1.64%	-	-0.80%	4/29/201
FTSE Non-USD World Govt Bond Index (hedged to USD)	-3.30%	-12.26%	-12.30%	-4.17%	0.27%	-		
State Street Equity 500 Index 529	-4.92%	-23.95%	-15.61%	7.92%	8.96%	11.37%	11.26%	12/17/201
S&P 500 Index	-4.88%	-23.87%	-15.47%	8.16%	9.24%	11.70%		
/anguard Total Stock Market Index 529	-4.47%	-24.96%	-18.11%	7.41%	8.33%	11.05%	10.86%	12/17/201
CRSP U.S. Total Market Index	-4.44%	-24.86%	-17.98%	7.60%	8.56%	11.35%		
/anguard Equity Income 529	-5.31%	-12.30%	-4.70%	6.46%	7.19%	10.07%	10.60%	6/22/201
TSE High Dividend Yield Index	-5.97%	-13.45%	-5.30%	5.59%	6.56%	9.97%		3,22,201
T. Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth 529	-2.90%	-35.14%	-31.18%	6.89%	9.68%	13.51%	12.84%	12/17/201
Russell 1000 Growth Index	-3.60%	-30.66%	-22.59%	10.67%	12.17%	13.70%	14.UT/0	12/11/201
/anguard Extended Market Index 529	-2.73%	-30.10%	-29.62%	4.07%	4.61%	9.15%	8.70%	12/17/201
-	-2.78%	-30.10% -30.09%	-29.62%	4.07%	4.72%	9.13%	0.10/0	12/11/201
S&P Completion Index					7.1270		E 030/	10/4/000
/anguard Explorer 529	-2.66%	-28.25%	-25.51%	-	-	-	-6.83%	12/4/202
Russell 2500 Growth Index	-0.12%	-29.54%	-29.39%	-	-	-		

	Total Re	Total Returns			Average Annualized Total Returns						
Investment Option Name	Quarter Ending	Year					Since	Inception			
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	9/30/2022	To Date	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception <sup>2</sup>	Date <sup>3</sup>			
DFA U.S. Small Cap Value 529	-2.64%	-15.01%	-9.04%	-	-	-	11.38%	12/4/2020			
Russell 2000 Value Index	-4.61%	-21.12%	-17.69%	-	-	-					
Vanguard Total International Stock Index 529	-10.55%	-26.80%	-25.25%	-	-	-	-10.68%	12/4/2020			
FTSE Global All Cap ex US Fair Value Index	-9.59%	-26.28%	-24.95%	-	-	-					
Vanguard Real Estate Index 529	-11.05%	-29.36%	-18.83%	-1.76%	2.88%	5.98%	7.39%	12/17/2010			
MSCI U.S. Investable Market Real Estate 25/50 Index <sup>6</sup>	-11.23%	-29.73%	-19.43%	-2.46%	2.29%	5.87%					

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Each benchmark is not managed. Therefore, its performance does not reflect management fees, expenses or the imposition of sales charges. The Age-Based and Static blended benchmark calculations include the prior program manager's blended benchmarks through 9/30/2020 and utilize a 10/1/2020 transition date to the current Program Manager's blended benchmarks thereafter.

<sup>6</sup>MSCI US REIT Index through February 1, 2018; MSCI US Investable Market Real Estate 25/50 Transition Index through July 24, 2018: MSCI US Investable Market Real Estate 25/50 Index thereafter

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An investor should consider, before investing, whether the investor's or beneficiary's home state offers any state tax or other state benefits such as financial aid, scholarship funds, and protection from creditors that are only available for investments in such state's 529 plan. Investors should consult their tax advisor, attorney, and/or other advisor regarding their specific legal, investment, or tax situation.

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#### NOT FDIC INSURED\* | NO BANK GUARANTEE | MAY LOSE VALUE

\*Except the Underlying Investment of the Bank Savings Static Option





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Since Inception Returns for less than one year are not annualized.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The current Program Manager resumed managing the Plan 3pm CT December 4, 2020. Share price and performance information prior to December 4, 2020 was provided by the previous program manager as the true, accurate and complete program records and has not been independently audited by the current Program Manager.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> The underlying omnibus bank accounts annual percentage yield is 2.53% as of August 1, 2022. This rate is variable and subject to change at any time. There is no minimum balance required to obtain this rate. Interest earnings realized by participants will be reduced by the program management fee and state administrative fee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>You could lose money by investing in this Investment Option. Although the money market fund in which your investment option invests (the underlying fund) seeks to preserve the value at \$1.00 per share, it cannot guarantee it will do so. An investment in this Investment Option is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. The sponsor has no legal obligation to provide financial support to the underlying fund, and you should not expect that the sponsor will provide financial support to the underlying fund at any time.

NEBRASKA EDUCATIONAL SAVINGS PLAN TRUST-NEST Direct College Savings Plan FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT For the year ended December 31, 2021

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Trustee, Program Manager, Investment Manager, and Participants and Beneficiaries of the NEST Direct College Savings Plan

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying statement of net position available for benefits of the NEST Direct College Savings Plan (the Plan) which is part of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust (the Trust), as of December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net position available for benefits, investment summary, investment detail, and related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Plan's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents for the year ended December 31, 2021.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements, including the investment summary and investment detail, present fairly, in all material respects, the respective net position of the Plan, as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in net position available for benefits, investment summary, investment detail, and related notes to the financial statements for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

The Plan's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and 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.



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 Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives 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 auditor's report that includes our opinions. 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 GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. 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. Misstatements 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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding 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 Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
  expressed.
- 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.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control—related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 5 and 6 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context.

We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### **Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that comprise the Plan's basic financial statements. The schedule of participant contributions and transfers in and participant distributions and transfers out is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of participant contributions and transfers in and participant distributions and transfers out is the responsibility of management and was derived from and related directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of participant contributions and transfers in and participant distributions and transfers out is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note A, the financial statements present only the NEST Direct College Savings Plan, and are not intended to present fairly the financial position of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust as a whole and the results of its operations in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 13, 2022, on our consideration of the Plan's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Plan's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Hayes & Associates, L.L.C.

Hayes & Associates, LLC

Omaha, Nebraska April 13, 2022

#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

The Nebraska State Treasurer's Office provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of the Plan's annual financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Plan is for the year ended December 31, 2021. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the Plan's financial statements, which follow this section.

#### **Using these Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Plan's financial statements, which consist of the Statement of Net Position Available for Benefits, Statement of Changes in Net Position Available for Benefits, Investment Summary, Investment Detail, and Notes to the Financial Statements. These financial statements provide information about the activities of the Plan as a whole and of the Investment Options within the Plan and are based on the accrual basis of accounting.

The financial statements are further described as follows:

The Statement of Net Positions Available for Benefits presents the assets, liabilities and net position of the Plan.

The Statement of Changes in Net Position Available for Benefit presents the income, expenses, realized and unrealized gain/loss, and ending net position as a resulting of the operations of the Plan.

The Investment Summary presents the cost basis, market value, and unrealized gain/loss on the Plan's underlying investments at the Plan level.

The Investment Detail presents the number of units, their cost basis, the price per unit, market value, and the unrealized gain/loss of the underlying investments held by the Plan in each of the Plan's Investment Options.

The Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements.

#### **Financial Analysis of the Plan**

During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Plan received \$1,005,500,710 in contributions from participants and distributed \$1,075,868,766 to participants and beneficiaries. The Plan's financial activity for the year ended December 31, 2021, resulted in an increase in net position of \$223,658,630.

Condensed financial information as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the period December 5 through December 31, 2020, is as follows:

	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Cash and investments	\$ 2,751,751,901	\$ 2,527,508,270
Dividends receivable	893,399	844,457
Total assets	2,752,645,300	2,528,352,727
Liabilities	6,658,968	6,025,025
Net position	\$ 2,745,986,332	\$ 2,522,327,702
		For the Period
	For the year ended	December 5, through
	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Additions:		
Contributions	\$ 1,005,500,710	\$ 154,479,180
Net increase in fair		
value of investments	219,238,389	6,118,190
Dividends and mutual fund distributions	77,368,856	28,623,296
Transfer from prior program manager	-	2,485,573,230
Total additions	1,302,107,955	2,674,793,896
Deductions:		
Distributions	1,075,868,766	152,295,673
Administrative expenses	2,580,559	170,521
Total deductions	1,078,449,325	152,466,194
Net increase	223,658,630	2,522,327,702
Net position, beginning of year	2,522,327,702	
Net position, end of year	\$ 2,745,986,332	\$ 2,522,327,702

Total additions decreased primarily due to the transfer in from the previous program manager during the prior period. An increase in contributions and distributions is primarily the result of a full year compared to the short reporting period December 5 through December 31, 2020.

#### **CONTACTING THE NEBRASKA STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE**

This financial report is designed to present users with a general overview of the Plan's finances and to demonstrate the Plan's accountability for the funds held in custody. If you have questions about the report or need additional information, please contact the Nebraska State Treasurer's Office at their College Savings Division located in the Nebraska State Capitol, Room 2005, P.O. Box 94788, Lincoln, NE 68509-4788.

# Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust NEST Direct College Savings Plan STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS December 31, 2021

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 7,576,469
Investments:	
Cost	2,555,364,011
Unrealized gain/loss - investments	188,811,421
Total investments	2,744,175,432
Dividends receivable	893,399
Total assets	2,752,645,300
LIABILITIES	
Payables:	
Distributions to plan administrator	5,018,074
Accrued expenses	1,640,894
Total liabilities	6,658,968
NET POSITION	\$ 2,745,986,332

## Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust NEST Direct College Savings Plan TATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION AVAILABLE

## STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS For the year ended December 31, 2021

Net Position - Beginning of Period	\$ 2,522,327,702
Receipts	
Contributions/Exchanges/Transfers	1,005,500,710
Investment income:	
Dividends and mutual fund distributions	77,368,856
Realized gain/loss	30,426,968
Unrealized gain/loss- investments	188,811,421
Total receipts	1,302,107,955
Disbursements:	
Administrative Expenses:	
Fees	
Management fee	2,047,757
State administative fee	532,802
Distributions/Exchanges/Transfers	1,075,868,766
Total Disbursements	1,078,449,325
Net Position - End of Period	\$ 2,745,986,332

	 Cost	 Market Value	Unrealized Gain/Loss		
INVESTMENT DISTRIBUTION Unit of Participation	\$ 2,555,364,011	\$ 2,744,175,432	\$	188,811,421	
Total Investments	\$ 2,555,364,011	\$ 2,744,175,432	\$	188,811,421	

	Fixed Income Age-Based Conserv 17-18	Fund 10 Age-Based Conserv 15-16	Fund 20 Age-Based Conserv 13-14	Fund 30 Age-Based Conserv 11-12	Fund 40 Age-Based Conserv 09-10	Fund 50 Age-Based Conserv 06-08	Fund 60 Age-Based Conserv 03-05
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$ - -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -
MONEY MARKET FUNDS  Vanguard Federal Money Market	11,379,872	4,293,259	1,520,577	-	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS  Vanguard Real Estate ETF	-	189,680	342,917	275,683	316,830	322,853	265,361
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS DFA US Small Cap Value State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity Income Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Total investment in U.S. equity funds	- - - - - -	- - - - - 1,301,623 1,301,623	2,354,474 2,354,474	2,805,016 2,805,016	2,804,396 2,804,396	3,579,591 3,579,591	2,567,672 2,567,672
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Vanguard Total International Stock Index	-	374,392	677,492	942,444	1,044,424	1,366,125	1,029,937
FIXED INCOME FUNDS  MetWest Total Return Bond  Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index  Vanguard Total Bond Market Index  Total investment in fixed income funds	4,556,269 3,423,159 7,979,428	4,110,429 5,240,779 9,351,208	4,226,550 5,072,469 9,299,019	2,935,350 4,002,349 6,937,699	1,460,623 3,240,969 4,701,592	1,146,109 3,040,851 4,186,960	570,266 1,535,627 2,105,893
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	3,416,643	2,616,699	1,861,944	1,732,545	939,891	413,143	126,574
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Total investment in international fixed income funds		559,495 559,495	839,768 839,768	658,066 658,066	625,153 625,153	$\frac{\frac{620,210}{620,210}}{\frac{620,210}{2000}}$	313,643 313,643
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 22,775,943	\$ 18,686,356	\$ 16,896,191	\$ 13,351,453	\$ 10,432,286	\$ 10,488,882	\$ 6,409,080

	Fund 70 Age-Based Conserv 0-2	Fund 80 Age-Based Aggressive 06-08	Fund 90 Age-Based Aggressive 03-05	Fund 100 Age-Based Aggressive 0-2	Blended Fund 10 Age-Based Moderate 19+	Blended Fund 20 Conservative Static	Blended Fund 30 Age-Based Conserv 11-12
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$ - -	\$ -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -
MONEY MARKET FUNDS  Vanguard Federal Money Market	-	-	-	-	28,690,713	3,308,881	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	59,283	246,068	230,809	185,943	1,257,480	745,614	1,153
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS DFA US Small Cap Value State Street Equity 500 Index	- -	-				368,343	569
T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity Income Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	2,472,344 2,493,900 - -	1,092,991 1,105,124 366,519	2,820 2,851 570
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Total investment in U.S. equity funds	539,274 539,274	2,572,667 2,572,667	2,282,147 2,282,147	1,991,835 1,991,835	3,726,447 8,692,691	2,198,489 5,131,466	5,105 11,915
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS  Vanguard Total International Stock Index	224,278	1,075,189	919,145	894,766	2,502,046	1,473,778	3,992
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds	70,731 236,177 306,908	195,134 635,549 830,683	76,494 268,193 344,687	- - - -	17,515,968 27,469,357 17,511,554 62,496,879	5,514,342 9,195,271 5,514,350 20,223,963	8,539 12,536 8,539 29,614
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	-	-	-	-	17,478,240	4,049,923	7,415
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Total investment in international fixed income funds	47,131 47,131	146,250 146,250	38,229 38,229		3,737,990	1,828,296	2,835 - 2,835
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 1,176,874	\$ 4,870,857	\$ 3,815,017	\$ 3,072,544	\$ 124,856,039	\$ 36,761,921	\$ 56,924

	Blended Fund 40 Age-Based Conserv 09-10	Blended Fund 50 Balanced Static	Blended Fund 60 Age-Based Conserv 03-05	Blended Fund 70 Age-Based Conserv 0-2	Blended Fund 80 Growth Static	Blended Fund 90 Age-Based Moderate 0-2	Blended Fund 100 All Equity Static
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -
MONEY MARKET FUNDS  Vanguard Federal Money Market	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	3,259	2,606,795	2,088	3,812	11,535,728	367,734	842,346
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS DFA US Small Cap Value State Street Equity 500 Index	2,151	1,740,765	1,546	2,258	6,985,129	241,825	563,711
T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity Income Vanguard Explorer	6,435 6,469 2,154	6,615,154 6,745,396 1,695,352	4,598 4,646 1,548	8,256 8,299 2,261	28,326,659 28,951,099 6,812,059	843,329 847,672 241,991	2,074,305 2,085,114 557,321
Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Total investment in U.S. equity funds	11,817 29,026	11,688,163 28,484,830	8,219 20,557	13,531 34,605	46,282,609 117,357,555	1,448,027 3,622,844	3,741,449 9,021,900
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Vanguard Total International Stock Index	10,816	10,897,083	8,265	14,382	47,730,638	1,458,021	4,046,527
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds	16,233 15,122 17,311 48,666	11,540,111 9,095,507 12,356,735 32,992,353	6,189 4,644 6,188 17,021	7,574 4,535 7,572 19,681	12,750,645 8,316,483 14,983,465 36,050,593	182,187 121,146 242,926 546,259	- - - -
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	9,719	3,356,105	1,033	-	-	-	-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Total investment in international fixed income funds	6,481	4,929,902	2,569 	3,023	6,159,361	60,470	<u>-</u>
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 107,967	\$ 83,267,068	\$ 51,533	\$ 75,503	\$ 218,833,875	\$ 6,055,328	\$ 13,910,773

	Blended Fixed Inc Age-Based Conserv 17-18	Money Market Age-Based Conserv 19+	Blended MM Age-Based Conserv 19+	Bank Savings Static	Vanguard Federal Money Market	Vanguard ST Inflation Protected	Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$ - -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 31,181,442 31,181,442 62,362,884	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -
MONEY MARKET FUNDS Vanguard Federal Money Market	910,129	38,485,952	1,969,176	-	55,600,206	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS DFA US Small Cap Value State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity Income Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -
Total investment in U.S. equity funds  INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS	<del></del>	-	-	. <u></u>			<del></del>
Vanguard Total International Stock Index  FIXED INCOME FUNDS  MetWest Total Return Bond  Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index  Vanguard Total Bond Market Index  Total investment in fixed income funds	127,763 364,374 145,983 638,120	- - - - -	- - - - -			- - - - -	25,110,539 - 25,110,539
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	273,395	-	-	-	-	17,558,462	-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Total investment in international fixed income funds	- - 	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	- - 	- - -	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 1,821,644	\$ 38,485,952	\$ 1,969,176	\$ 62,362,884	\$ 55,600,206	\$ 17,558,462	\$ 25,110,539

	Vanguard Total Bond Market Index	MetWest Total Return Bond	DFA World ex-US Government	State Street Equity 500 Index	Vanguard Total Stock Market Index	Vanguard Equity Income	T Rowe Price Large Cap Growth
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -
MONEY MARKET FUNDS  Vanguard Federal Money Market	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS DFA US Small Cap Value State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity Income	- - - -	- - - -	- - -	- 151,278,168 - -	- - -	- - - 64,572,925	- - 151,294,989 -
Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Total investment in U.S. equity funds	- - -	- - -	- - -	151,278,168	179,735,981 179,735,981	64,572,925	151,294,989
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS  Vanguard Total International Stock Index	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds	30,211,855 30,211,855	26,412,721 - 26,412,721		- - -	- - - -		- - -
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	_	-	-	-	-	-	-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Total investment in international fixed income funds	- - 	- - -	2,477,628	<u> </u>	- - -		<u>-</u> <u>-</u> <u>-</u>
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 30,211,855	\$ 26,412,721	\$ 2,477,628	\$ 151,278,168	\$ 179,735,981	\$ 64,572,925	\$ 151,294,989

	Exter			Vanguard Real Estate Index	Fund 10 Age-Based Moderate 19+		Fund 20 Age-Based Moderate 17-18						
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	- -	\$ <u>-</u>	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	
MONEY MARKET FUNDS Vanguard Federal Money Market		-		-	-		-		-		646,201		343,673
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF		-		-	-		-		31,041,473		28,347		77,608
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS DFA US Small Cap Value State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity Income Vanguard Explorer		- - - -		- - - 53,051,649	33,205,278		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -
Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Total investment in U.S. equity funds		807,879 - 807,879		53,051,649	 33,205,278		- - -		- - -		195,799 195,799		536,369 536,369
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Vanguard Total International Stock Index		-		-	-		64,223,154		-		56,376		152,734
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds		- - -		- - - -	 - - -		- - - -		- - -		618,694 788,785 1,407,479		956,680 1,150,135 2,106,815
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected		-		-	-		-		-		393,672		420,512
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Total investment in international fixed income funds		- - -	_	- - - -	 - - - -	_	- - -	_	- - - -		83,888 83,888		190,732 190,732
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 71,8	807,879	\$	53,051,649	\$ 33,205,278	\$	64,223,154	\$	31,041,473	\$	2,811,762	\$	3,828,443

	Fund 30 Age-Based Moderate 15-16	Fund 40 Age-Based Moderate 13-14	Fund 50 Age-Based Moderate 11-12	Fund 60 Age-Based Moderate 09-10	Fund 70 Age-Based Moderate 06-08	Blended Fund 50 Age-Based Aggressive 13-14	Fund 20 Age-Based Aggressive 19+	
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$ - -	\$ - -						
MONEY MARKET FUNDS Vanguard Federal Money Market	-	-	-	-	-	-	178,589	
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS  Vanguard Real Estate ETF	74,280	109,688	58,191	62,333	93,975	2,859,985	40,820	
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS DFA US Small Cap Value State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity Income Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index	- - - - - - 765,896	- - - - - 971,284	- - - - - 652.087	- - - - - 612,159	- - - - - 848.004	1,895,680 - 7,318,475 7,440,927 1,852,066 - 12,890,068	- - - - - 279,612	
Total investment in U.S. equity funds	765,896	971,284	652,087	612,159	848,004	31,397,216	279,612	
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Vanguard Total International Stock Index	257,005	356,568	249,229	246,511	352,594	12,059,266	79,954	
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds	806,840 1,102,175 1,909,015	496,242 1,105,032 1,601,274	210,503 557,033 767,536	138,449 369,951 508,400	111,098 371,312 482,410	12,843,951 10,066,453 13,764,339 36,674,743	497,527 598,209 1,095,736	
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	476,656	317,925	76,230	30,708	_	3,700,232	218,816	
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Total investment in international fixed income funds	183,220 183,220	210,552 210,552	114,457 114,457	76,848 76,848	73,981 73,981	5,442,351	98,906 98,906	
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 3,666,072	\$ 3,567,291	\$ 1,917,730	\$ 1,536,959	\$ 1,850,964	\$ 92,133,793	\$ 1,992,433	

	Fund 30 Age-Based Aggressive 17-18	Fund 40 Age-Based Aggressive 15-16	Fund 50 Age-Based Aggressive 13-14	Fund 60 Age-Based Aggressive 11-12	Fund 70 Age-Based Aggressive 09-10	Blended Fund 100 Age-Based Aggressive 0-2	Blended Fund 10 Age-Based Conserv 15-16
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$ - -	\$ - -					
MONEY MARKET FUNDS  Vanguard Federal Money Market	-	-	-	-	-	-	141,378
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS  Vanguard Real Estate ETF	29,647	97,310	113,861	120,851	148,509	583,675	6,188
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS DFA US Small Cap Value State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity Income	- - -	- - - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	385,592 - 1,431,630 1,439,010	- - 12,219 12,282
Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Total investment in U.S. equity funds	307,788 307,788	- - 859,724 859,724	1,270,658 1,270,658	1,182,423 1,182,423	1,347,726 1,347,726	384,086 - - 2,581,969 6,222,287	18,356 42,857
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS  Vanguard Total International Stock Index	102,168	320,118	489,146	475,797	560,470	2,792,462	12,322
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds	321,638 439,522 761,160	447,747 993,150 1,440,897	413,333 1,091,714 1,505,047	267,128 714,164 981,292	176,709 590,213 766,922	- - -	86,307 135,358 86,285 307,950
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	189,843	288,114	150,230	59,331	-	-	86,122
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Total investment in international fixed income funds	72,716 72,716	191,388 191,388	225,310 225,310	- 148,176 148,176	- 117,726 117,726	- -	18,459 
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 1,463,322	\$ 3,197,551	\$ 3,754,252	\$ 2,967,870	\$ 2,941,353	\$ 9,598,424	\$ 615,276

	Blended Fund 20 Age-Based Conserv 13-14	Based Age-Based Age-Based Age-Based Age		Blended Fund 70 Age-Based Moderate 06-08	Blended Fund 80 Age-Based Moderate 03-05		
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - - -
MONEY MARKET FUNDS Vanguard Federal Money Market	20,692	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	4,629	1,498,849	2,187,463	2,784	1,402,134	1,873,386	1,078,370
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS DFA US Small Cap Value State Street Equity 500 Index	2,291	741,762	1,431,269	1,833	1,045,617	1,119,733	641,608
T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity Income Vanguard Explorer	6,855 6,891 2,295	3,698,605 3,717,538 743,238	4,253,544 4,284,713 1,417,828	7,282 7,340 1,834	3,038,909 3,070,363 1,022,795	4,046,010 4,066,682 1,099,317	2,748,603 2,774,220 642,029
Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Total investment in U.S. equity funds	13,732 32,064	6,667,028 15,568,171	7,827,709 19,215,063	12,782 31,071	5,418,266 13,595,950	6,618,482 16,950,224	4,462,085 11,268,545
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS  Vanguard Total International Stock Index	9,217	5,221,448	7,119,628	11,940	5,439,829	7,033,484	4,703,792
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds	34,587 57,532 34,578 126,697	11,195,850 16,387,718 11,193,027 38,776,595	10,554,754 9,827,039 11,260,084 31,641,877	12,867 10,089 13,783 36,739	4,057,194 3,030,553 4,056,187 11,143,934	3,667,813 2,188,742 3,667,814 9,524,369	1,278,978 850,901 1,492,101 3,621,980
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	25,310	9,682,223	6,307,488	3,672	664,239	-	-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Total investment in international fixed income funds	11,507 - 11,507	3,720,496 	4,173,211	5,500	1,672,497 	1,440,414 	633,135
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 230,116	\$ 74,467,782	\$ 70,644,730	\$ 91,706	\$ 33,918,583	\$ 36,821,877	\$ 21,305,822

	Blended Fund 20 Age-Based Aggressive 19+	Blended Fund 20 Age-Based Moderate 17-18	Blended Fund 30 Age-Based Aggressive 17-18	Blended Fund 40 Age-Based Aggressive 15-16	Blended Fund 50 Age-Based Moderate 11-12	Blended Fund 60 Age-Based Aggressive 11-12	Blended Fund 70 Age-Based Aggressive 09-10
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$ - - -	\$ - -	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ - -
MONEY MARKET FUNDS  Vanguard Federal Money Market	12,945,536	8,259,191	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	2,977,518	1,876,779	2,226,050	3,298,673	1,553,508	2,730,744	2,577,796
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS DFA US Small Cap Value State Street Equity 500 Index	1,476,890	934,979	1,123,280	2,185,955	995,454	2,003,354	1,521,788
T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity Income Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index	4,344,290 4,408,857 1,444,725	2,743,690 2,774,167 935,596	5,367,606 5,427,295 1,108,862	6,381,371 6,442,781 2,187,949	3,959,706 4,036,164 994,106	5,952,879 5,999,483 1,998,166	5,440,528 5,520,946 1,507,926
Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Total investment in U.S. equity funds	8,713,627 20,388,389	5,503,466 12,891,898	9,681,039 22,708,082	11,712,538 28,910,594	7,016,007 17,001,437	10,626,577 26,580,459	8,959,730 22,950,918
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS  Vanguard Total International Stock Index	5,839,216	3,694,483	7,581,214	10,711,488	6,524,556	10,635,637	9,530,400
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds	21,616,463 36,101,589 21,616,505 79,334,557	13,816,934 22,993,792 13,813,444 50,624,170	16,042,629 23,544,197 16,038,582 55,625,408	15,842,543 14,791,120 16,903,097 47,536,760	6,914,610 5,408,862 7,411,087 19,734,559	7,975,779 5,963,732 7,973,774 21,913,285	4,958,497 2,950,999 4,957,255 12,866,751
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	15,873,128	10,106,147	13,961,846	9,521,453	1,960,156	1,309,725	-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Total investment in international fixed income funds	7,136,610	4,585,474 - - 4,585,474	5,294,934	6,246,855	2,922,281	3,302,287	1,952,251 
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 144,494,954	\$ 92,038,142	\$ 107,397,534	\$ 106,225,823	\$ 49,696,497	\$ 66,472,137	\$ 49,878,116

	Blended Fund 80 Age-Based Aggressive 06-08	Blended Fund 90 Age-Based Aggressive 03-05	NEST Meadowlark 2020	Total
BANK SAVINGS NE Bank Savings NELNET NE Bank Savings UBT	\$ -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ 31,181,442 31,181,442
Total investment in bank savings  MONEY MARKET FUNDS  Vanguard Federal Money Market	-	-	-	62,362,884 168,694,025
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	2,926,168	2,170,722	80,359	85,814,109
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS DFA US Small Cap Value State Street Equity 500 Index	1,834,430	1,430,479	-	63,883,569 151,278,168
T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity Income Vanguard Explorer	7,470,032 7,484,483 1,718,537	4,957,113 4,999,491 1,431,423	- - -	265,921,227 180,737,128 83,224,202
Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Total investment in U.S. equity funds	12,108,291 30,615,773	8,523,916 21,342,422	771,136 771,136	71,807,879 411,614,865 1,228,467,038
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Vanguard Total International Stock Index	12,665,556	8,574,574	277,409	265,053,485
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds	3,424,851 2,270,142 4,001,913 9,696,906	1,066,139 706,929 1,423,597 3,196,665	23,118 81,585 104,703	209,473,018 261,828,922 257,363,032 728,664,972
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	-	-	-	129,665,509
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Total investment in international fixed income funds	1,687,363	351,744	- 11,641 11,641	69,805,924 5,647,486 75,453,410
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 57,591,766	\$ 35,636,127	\$ 1,245,248	\$ 2,744,175,432

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1. Reporting Entity

The Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust (the Trust), established on January 1, 2001, is designed to qualify as a tax-advantaged qualified tuition program under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The NEST Direct College Savings Plan (the Plan) is part of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust. The Trust was established in accordance with Nebraska Legislative Bill 1003 (the Act), as amended, to encourage the investment of funds to be used for qualified higher education expenses at eligible educational institutions. The Trust is comprised of three funds: the Expense Fund, the Administrative Fund, and the Program Fund. The Plan is a series of the Program Fund of the Trust. The Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan, the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan, and the State Farm 529 Savings Plan are a separate class of accounts in the Trust and are not included in the accompanying financial statements. The Expense Fund and the Administrative Fund are also not included in the accompanying financial statements. Accounts in the Plan have not been registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or with any state securities commission pursuant to exemptions from registration available for securities issued by a public instrumentality of a state.

The financial statements presented reflect only the NEST Direct College Savings Plan Series as part of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust and are not intended to present fairly the financial position of the Trust as a whole and the results of its operations in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Act authorizes and appoints the Nebraska State Treasurer as Trustee and responsible for the overall administration of the Plan. The State Treasurer has entered into a management contract with Union Bank and Trust Company (the Program Manager). Under the contract, the Program Manager provides day-to-day administrative and recordkeeping services to the Plan. The Program Manager provides separate accounting for each beneficiary. In addition, the Program Manager administers and maintains overall trust and individual account records.

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

#### 1. Reporting Entity – Continued

The Plan is comprised of Age-Based Investment Options, Static Investment Options, and Individual Fund Investment Options. The Age-Based and Static Investment Options invest in specified allocations of domestic equity, real estate, international equity, fixed income and money market Underlying Investments. The Individual Investment Options invest in a single Underlying Investment or, in the case of the Bank Savings Static Investment Option, an FDIC-insured bank account. The investment options and Underlying Investments have been selected and approved by the Nebraska Investment Council.

Participants in the Plan may designate their accounts be invested in Aged-Based Investment Options designed to reduce the exposure to principal loss the closer in age the beneficiary is to college, Static Investment Options that keep the same asset allocation between equity, real estate, fixed income, money market investments, or in Individual Fund Investment Options.

#### 2. Meadowlark Program

The State of Nebraska established the Meadowlark Program to promote access to postsecondary educational opportunities by providing funds to qualified individuals to help pay the qualified higher education expenses associated with attendance at an eligible educational institution located in Nebraska. Qualified individual means an individual born on or after January 1, 2020, who is a resident of Nebraska at the time of birth. The program is administered by the State Treasurer. Qualified individuals born during calendar year 2020 received a one-time Meadowlark contribution of \$50.

The Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust is the owner of all accounts opened under the Meadowlark Program. Neither the qualified individual nor his or her parent or legal guardian shall have any ownership rights or interest in, title to, or power or control over such an account. Any disbursement from an account opened under the Meadowlark Program shall be made before the qualified individual reaches thirty years of age. Once a qualified individual reaches thirty years of age, any unused funds in his or her account shall be transferred to the Meadowlark Endowment Fund. Funds disbursed from an account opened under the Meadowlark Program shall only be used to pay the qualified higher education expenses associated with attending an eligible educational institution located in Nebraska and shall not be used to pay expenses associated with attending kindergarten through grade twelve.

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

#### 3. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The financial statements include the statement of net position available for benefits, statement of changes in net position available for benefits, investment summary and investment detail. The statement of net position available for benefits is a measure of the account's assets and liabilities at the close of the year. The statement of changes in net position available for benefits shows purchases to and redemptions from the account, as well as additions and deductions due to operations during the fiscal year. The investment summary and investment detail reports show summary of all investments at cost and market value and the detail listing of all investments, respectively.

#### 4. Security Valuation

Investments in the Underlying Investments are valued at the closing net asset or unit value per share of each Underlying Investments on the day of valuation. The Plan calculates the net asset value of its shares based upon the net asset value of the applicable Underlying Investments, as of the close of the New York Stock Exchange (the Exchange), normally 3:00 P.M. Central time, on each day the Exchange is open for business. The net asset values of the Underlying Investments are determined as of the close of the Exchange, on each day the Exchange is open for trading.

#### 5. Security Transactions and Investment Income

Security transactions are recorded on an average cost basis unless a client requests an alternative method on the trade date. Realized gains and losses on security transaction are determined on the cost basis on the disposition of assets. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date or upon ex-dividend notification.

#### 6. Contributions, Withdrawals, and Distributions

Contributions by a participant are evidenced through the issuance of units in the particular Investment Option. Contributions to and withdrawals from the Investment Options are subject to terms and limitations defined in the Program Disclosure Statement and Participation Agreement between the participant and the Plan. Contributions received by the Program Manager before the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange on any business day are credited to the account to which the contribution is made within one business day.

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

#### 6. Contributions, Withdrawals, and Distributions - Continued

Withdrawals are based on the unit price calculated for each Investment Option on the business day on which the Program Manager processes the withdrawal request. The earnings portion (if any) of a non-qualified withdrawal will be treated as ordinary income to the recipient and may also be subject to an additional 10% federal tax, as well as partial recapture of any Nebraska state income tax deduction previously claimed.

### 7. <u>Plan Expenses and Fees</u>

Expenses included in the accompanying financial statements reflect the expenses of the Plan. The Underlying Investments expenses are factored into the daily net asset value for each respective Underlying Investment. As such, each Investment Option indirectly bears its proportional share of the fees and expenses of the Underlying Investments in which it invests.

The plan expenses and fees are as follows:

- Program management fees equal to 0.08% of the average daily net position in each Investment Option.
- State administration fees equal to 0.02% of the average daily net position in each Investment Option.

Underlying Investment fees - each Investment Option also indirectly bears its pro rata share of the fees and expenses of the Underlying Investments. Although these expenses and fees are not charged to the accounts, they will reduce the investment returns realized by each Investment Option. The Underlying Investment fees range from 0.00% to 0.56%.

These fees are accrued daily as a percentage of average daily net position and will be deducted from each Investment Option. These fees will reduce the value of an account.

#### 8. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting year. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

#### 9. Income Taxes

The Program has been designed to comply with the requirements for treatment as a qualified tuition program under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is required.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS

All investments have some degree of risks. The value of the Plan's accounts may vary depending on market conditions, the performance of the investment options selected, timing of purchases, and fees. The value of the Plan's accounts could be more or less than the amount contributed to the accounts. The Plan's investments may lose money.

Investments in the Plan are not guaranteed or insured by the FDIC, the SIPC, the State of Nebraska, the Nebraska Investment Council, the Nebraska State Treasurer, Union Bank and Trust Company or its authorized agents or their affiliates, or any other federal or state entity or person.

FDIC insurance is provided for the Bank Savings Static Investment Option only, which is an investment in an FDIC-insured omnibus bank account held in trust by the Plan at Union Bank and Trust Company and Nelnet Bank.

The Plan's Underlying Investments have the following risks:

#### Each Investment Option and Underlying Investment has Risks

Each of the Investment Options are subject to certain risks that may affect Investment Option performance. Set forth below is a list of the major risks applicable to the Investment Options. Such list is not an exhaustive list and there are other risks which are not defined below. See the NEST Direct College Savings Plan Program Disclosure Statement "Exhibit B – Investment Options and Underlying Investments" and the respective prospectuses of the Underlying Investments for a description of the risks associated with the Underlying Investments in which the Investment Options invest.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - CONTINUED

Market risk. Market risk is the risk that the prices of securities will decline overall. Securities markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising and falling prices. Securities prices change every business day, based on investor reactions to economic, political, market, industry, corporate and other developments. At times, these price changes may be rapid and dramatic. Some factors may affect the market as a whole, while others affect particular industries, firms or sizes or types of securities.

<u>Interest rate risk.</u> Interest rate risk is the risk that securities prices will decline due to rising interest rates. A rise in interest rates typically causes bond prices to fall.

Bonds with longer maturities and lower credit quality tend to be more sensitive to changes in interest rates, as are mortgage-backed bonds. Short- and long-term interest rates do not necessarily move the same amount or in the same direction. Money market investments are also affected by interest rates, particularly short-term rates, but in the opposite way: when short-term interest rates fall, money market yields usually fall as well. Bonds that can be paid off before maturity, such as mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities, tend to be more volatile than other types of debt securities with respect to interest rate changes.

<u>Income risk.</u> Income risk is the chance that a fund's income will decline because of falling interest rates. Income risk is generally high for short-term bond funds, so investors should expect the fund's monthly income to fluctuate.

<u>Income fluctuations.</u> Income distributions on the inflation-protected funds are likely to fluctuate considerably more than the income distributions of a typical bond fund. Income fluctuations associated with changes in interest rates are expected to be low; however, income fluctuations associated with changes in inflation are expected to be high. Overall, investors can expect income fluctuations to be high for an inflation-protected fund.

<u>Foreign investment risk.</u> Investment in foreign stocks and bonds may be more risky than investments in domestic stocks and bonds. Foreign stocks and bonds tend to be more volatile, and may be less liquid, than their U.S. counterparts. The reasons for such volatility can include greater political and social instability, lower market liquidity, higher costs, less stringent investor protections, and inferior information on issuer finances. In addition, the dollar value of most foreign currencies changes daily. All these risks tend to be higher in emerging markets than in developed markets.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - CONTINUED

Asset-backed securities risk. An Investment Option's performance could suffer to the extent the Underlying Investments are exposed to asset-backed securities, including mortgage-backed securities. Asset-backed securities are subject to early amortization due to amortization or payout events that cause the security to payoff prematurely. Under those circumstances, an Underlying Investment may not be able to reinvest the proceeds of the payoff at a yield that is as high as that which the asset-backed security paid. In addition, asset-backed securities are subject to fluctuations in interest rates that may affect their yield or the prepayment rates on the underlying assets.

Derivatives risk. Certain of the Underlying Investments may utilize derivatives. There are certain investment risks in using derivatives, including futures contracts, options on futures, interest rate swaps and structured notes. If an Underlying Investment incorrectly forecasts interest rates in using derivatives, the Underlying Investment and any Investment Option invested in it could lose money. Price movements of a futures contract, option or structured notes may not be identical to price movements of portfolio securities or a securities index, resulting in the risk that, when an underlying investment fund buys a futures contract or option as a hedge, the hedge may not be completely effective. The use of these management techniques also involves the risk of loss if the advisor to an Underlying Investment is incorrect in its expectation of fluctuations in securities prices, interest rates or currency prices. Investments in derivatives may be illiquid, difficult to price and result in leverage so that small changes may produce disproportionate losses for the Underlying Investment. Investments in derivatives may be subject to counterparty risk to a greater degree than more traditional investments. Please see the Underlying Investments prospectus for complete details.

<u>Concentration risk.</u> To the extent that an Underlying Investment or an Investment Option is exposed to securities of a single country, region, industry, structure or size, its performance may be unduly affected by factors common to the type of securities involved.

<u>Index sampling risk.</u> Index sampling risk is the chance that the securities selected for an Underlying Investment, in the aggregate, will not provide investment performance matching that of the Underlying Investment's target index.

<u>Issuer risk.</u> Changes in an issuer's business prospects or financial condition, including those resulting from concerns over accounting or corporate governance practices, could significantly affect an Investment Option's performance if the Investment Option has sufficient exposure to those securities.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - CONTINUED

<u>Credit risk.</u> The value or yield of a bond or money market security could fall if its credit backing deteriorates. In more extreme cases, default or the threat of default could cause a security to lose most or all of its value. Credit risks are higher in high-yield bonds.

<u>Management risk.</u> An Investment Option's performance could suffer if the investment fund or funds in which it invests underperform.

<u>Call risk.</u> This is the chance that during periods of falling interest rates, issuers of callable bonds may call (redeem) securities with higher coupons or interest rates before their maturity dates. The Underlying Investment would then lose any price appreciation above the bond's call price and would be forced to reinvest the unanticipated proceeds at lower interest rates, resulting in a decline in the Underlying Investment's income. Such redemptions and subsequent reinvestments would also increase the Underlying Investment's portfolio turnover rate.

Extension risk. This is the chance that during periods of rising interest rates, certain debt securities will be paid off substantially more slowly than originally anticipated, and the value of those securities may fall. For Underlying Investments that invest in mortgage-backed securities, extension risk is the chance that during periods of rising interest rates, homeowners will prepay their mortgages at slower rates.

Emerging markets risk. Underlying Investments that invest in foreign securities may also be subject to emerging markets risk, which is the chance that the stocks of companies located in emerging markets will be substantially more volatile, and substantially less liquid, than the stocks of companies located in more developed foreign markets because, among other factors, emerging markets can have greater custodial and operational risks; less developed legal, regulatory and accounting systems; and greater political, social and economic instability than developed markets.

<u>Investment style risk.</u> This is the chance that returns from the types of stocks in which an Underlying Investment invests will trail returns from the overall stock market. Specific types of stocks (for instance, small-capitalization stocks) tend to go through cycles of doing better (or worse) than the stock market in general. These periods have, in the past, lasted for as long as several years.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - CONTINUED

<u>Prepayment risk.</u> This is the chance that during periods of falling interest rates, homeowners will refinance their mortgages before their maturity dates, resulting in prepayment of mortgage-backed securities held by an Underlying Investment. The Underlying Investment would then lose any price appreciation above the mortgage's principal and would be forced to reinvest the unanticipated proceeds at lower interest rates, resulting in a decline in the Underlying Investment's income. Such prepayments and subsequent reinvestments would also increase the Underlying Investment's portfolio turnover rate.

Infectious Illness Risk. An outbreak of an infectious respiratory illness, COVID19, caused by a novel coronavirus has resulted in travel restrictions, disruption of healthcare systems, prolonged quarantines, cancellations, supply chain disruptions, lower consumer demand, layoffs, ratings downgrades, defaults and other significant economic impacts. Certain markets have experienced temporary closures, extreme volatility, severe losses, reduced liquidity and increased trading costs. These events may have an impact on the Underlying Investments and could impact the ability to purchase or sell securities or cause elevated tracking error and increased premiums or discounts to the Underlying Investments NAV. Other infectious illness outbreaks in the future may result in similar impacts.

Cybersecurity risk. The Plan places significant reliance on the computer systems of its service providers and partners. Thus, the Plan may be susceptible to operational and information security risks resulting from cyber threats and cyber-attacks which may adversely affect your account and cause it to lose value. For example, cyber threats and cyber-attacks may interfere with your ability to make contributions to, exchanges within or distributions from your accounts. Cyber threats and cyber-attacks may also impede trading and/or result in the collection and use of personally identifiable information of an account owner, Beneficiary or others.

Cybersecurity risks include security or privacy incidents such as human error, unauthorized release, theft, misuse, corruption and destruction of account data maintained by the Plan online or in digital form. Cybersecurity risks also include denial of service, viruses, malware, hacking, bugs, security vulnerabilities in software, attacks on technology operations and other disruptions that could impede the Plan's ability to maintain routine operations. Although the Plan's service providers and partners undertake efforts to protect their computer systems from cyber threats and cyber-attacks, there are no guarantees that the Plan or your account will avoid losses due to cyber threats or cyber-attacks.

#### NOTE C. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value.

The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level I measurements) and the lowest priority to measurements involving significant unobservable inputs (Level III measurements).

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level I – unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities including securities actively traded on a securities exchange.

Level II – inputs other than unadjusted quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability (such as unadjusted quoted prices for similar assets and market corroborated inputs such as interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.).

Level III – significant unobservable inputs (including management's own judgments about assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability).

The inputs used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities.

The Plan classifies each of its investments in those Underlying Investments which are publicly offered and reported on an exchange as Level I, and those Underlying Investments which are not publicly offered as Level II without consideration as to the classification level of the specific investment held by the Underlying Investments. The level in the fair value hierarchy within which a fair value measurement in its entirety falls is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

#### NOTE C. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT - CONTINUED

The following table presents assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2021:

		Fair Value		Level I	Level II		Le	vel III
Bank Savings	\$	62,362,884	\$	62,362,884	\$	-	\$	-
Money Market								
Funds		168,694,024		168,694,024		-		-
U.S. Real Estate								
Mutual Funds		85,814,113		85,814,113		-		-
U.S. Equity Mutual								
Funds	1	,228,467,039	1	,228,467,039		-		-
International Equity								
Mutual Funds		265,053,486		265,053,486		-		-
Fixed Income Mutual								
Funds		728,664,967		728,664,967		-		-
Fixed Income Mutual								
Funds TIPS		129,665,509		129,665,509		-		-
International Fixed								
Income Funds		75,453,410		75,453,410				-
	\$2	,744,175,432	\$2	2,744,175,432	\$	-	\$	

To value Level I investments: The fair value of Level I investments are determined by obtaining quoted market prices on nationally recognized securities exchanges.

To value Level II investments: The fair value of Level II investments are determined based on quoted prices that were obtained directly from the fund companies through confirmations for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active.

#### NOTE D. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

As of April 13, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, the NEST Direct College Savings Plan did not have any subsequent events affecting the amounts reported in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021, or which are required to be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements for the year then ended.



# Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust NEST Direct 529 College Savings Plan

# SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS IN AND PARTICIPANT DISTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS OUT

For the year ended December 31, 2021

Contributions from plan participants		\$ 162,930,278
Transfers in from plan participants		73,709,312
Gross Investment Changes/Transfers Portfolio rounding	\$ 768,866,939 (5,819)	
Adjusted Investment Changes/Transfers	\$ 768,861,120	768,861,120
Contributions/Exchanges/Transfers		\$ 1,005,500,710
Distributions to plan participants		\$ 237,716,629
Transfers out to plan participants		69,285,198
Investment Changes/Transfers		 768,866,939
Distributions/Exchanges/Transfers		\$ 1,075,868,766



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Trustee, Program Manager, Investment Manager, and Participants and Beneficiaries of the NEST Direct College Savings Plan

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the statement of net position available for benefits of the NEST Direct College Savings Plan as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net position available for benefits, the investment summary, investment detail, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the NEST Direct College Savings Plan's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 13, 2022.

# **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the NEST Direct College Savings Plan's internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the NEST Direct College Savings Plan's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the NEST Direct College Savings Plan's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.



Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

## **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the NEST Direct College Savings Plan's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this 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. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Hayes & Associates, L.L.C.

Hayes & Associates, LLC

Omaha, Nebraska

April 13, 2022

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# **NEST Advisor Age-Based Investment Options**

Choosing an Age-Based Option means your account will be placed in a portfolio based on the child's age. Each age-range portfolio has a different mix of and allocation to the different Underlying Investments, starting with more aggressive, growth oriented investments and moving to more conservative as the student nears college age. Your account will automatically move to the next age-range portfolio as the beneficiary gets older. NEST Advisor offers the ability to customize your account to your own investing style, whether its conservative, moderate, or aggressive.

#### **Age-Based**

Age-Based Investment Options are based on the age of the beneficiary. Younger beneficiaries will have more money invested in stocks. (Stocks historically have provided additional potential for growth, but they are also more volatile.) As the beneficiary gets older, the assets will automatically shift to portfolios with reduced stock exposure and increased bond and money market investments.



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# NEST Advisor Age-Based Asset Allocations (As of Period Ending: 9/30/2022)

Multi-Firm Investment Options	Age of Beneficiary									
Age-Based Aggressive Investment Option	0-2	3–5	6-8	9–10	11-12	13-14	15–16	17-18	19+	
Age-Based Moderate Investment Option		0-2	3–5	6-8	9-10	11-12	13-14	15-16	17-18	19+
Static Investment Options	All Equity Static		Growth Static			Balanced Static			Conservative Static	
State Street U.S. Government Money Market Fund									9.00%	23.00%
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities ETF					2.00%	4.00%	9.00%	13.00%	11.00%	14.00%
Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF		2.00%	4.00%	6.00%	9.00%	11.00%	14.00%	22.00%	25.00%	22.00%
Fidelity U.S. Bond Index Fund		3.00%	5.00%	7.00%	8.00%	10.00%	11.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%
MetWest Total Return Bond Fund		2.00%	4.00%	7.00%	8.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	9.00%
PGIM Total Return Bond Fund		2.00%	4.00%	6.00%	8.00%	9.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	9.00%
DFA World ex U.S. Government Fixed Income Portfolio		1.00%	3.00%	4.00%	5.00%	6.00%	6.00%	5.00%	5.00%	3.00%
Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	27.00%	24.00%	21.00%	18.00%	16.00%	14.00%	11.00%	9.00%	6.00%	3.00%
Dodge & Cox Stock Fund	15.00%	14.00%	13.00%	11.00%	9.00%	8.00%	6.00%	5.00%	3.00%	2.00%
T. Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Fund	15.00%	14.00%	13.00%	11.00%	9.00%	8.00%	6.00%	5.00%	3.00%	2.00%
Vanguard Explorer Fund	4.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%	1.00%	
Northern Small Cap Value SMA	4.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%	1.00%	
Fidelity Total International Index Fund	29.00%	24.00%	22.00%	19.00%	16.00%	13.00%	10.00%	7.00%	4.00%	2.00%
Vanguard Real Estate ETF	6.00%	6.00%	5.00%	5.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Index Investment Options	Age of Beneficiary										
Age-Based Index Conservative Investment Option	0-2	3–5	6-8	9–10	11-12	13-14	15-16	17-18	19+		
State Street U.S. Government Money Market Fund						9.00%	23.00%	50.00%	100.0%		
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities ETF		2.00%	4.00%	9.00%	13.00%	11.00%	14.00%	15.00%			
Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF	6.00%	9.00%	11.00%	14.00%	22.00%	25.00%	22.00%	20.00%			
Fidelity U.S. Bond Index Fund	20.00%	24.00%	29.00%	31.00%	30.00%	30.00%	28.00%	15.00%			
Vanguard Total International Bond ETF	4.00%	5.00%	6.00%	6.00%	5.00%	5.00%	3.00%				
Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	46.00%	40.00%	34.00%	27.00%	21.00%	14.00%	7.00%				
Fidelity Total International Index Fund	19.00%	16.00%	13.00%	10.00%	7.00%	4.00%	2.00%				
Vanguard Real Estate ETF	5.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%				
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		



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# **NEST Advisor Static Investment Options**

Static Options offer a fixed investment allocation throughout the life of your account. Unlike Age-Based, Static Options do not shift to a different allocation mix as your child approaches college age.

Our Static Investment Options utilize multiple fund families, including T. Rowe Price, DFA, Vanguard, and other quality fund families that target to maintain the stated asset allocation and do not adjust based on your beneficiary's age.

NEST Advisor offers five Static Investment Options: All Equity Static, Growth Static, Balanced Static, Conservative Static and Bank Savings Static.



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# NEST Advisor Static Asset Allocations (As of Period Ending: 9/30/2022)

Multi-Firm Investment Options	Age of Beneficiary									
Age-Based Aggressive Investment Option	0-2	3–5	6-8	9–10	11-12	13-14	15–16	17-18	19+	
Age-Based Moderate Investment Option		0-2	3–5	6-8	9-10	11-12	13-14	15-16	17-18	19+
Static Investment Options	All Equity Static		Growth Static			Balanced Static			Conservative Static	
State Street U.S. Government Money Market Fund									9.00%	23.00%
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities ETF					2.00%	4.00%	9.00%	13.00%	11.00%	14.00%
Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF		2.00%	4.00%	6.00%	9.00%	11.00%	14.00%	22.00%	25.00%	22.00%
Fidelity U.S. Bond Index Fund		3.00%	5.00%	7.00%	8.00%	10.00%	11.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%
MetWest Total Return Bond Fund		2.00%	4.00%	7.00%	8.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	9.00%
PGIM Total Return Bond Fund		2.00%	4.00%	6.00%	8.00%	9.00%	10.00%	10.00%	10.00%	9.00%
DFA World ex U.S. Government Fixed Income Portfolio		1.00%	3.00%	4.00%	5.00%	6.00%	6.00%	5.00%	5.00%	3.00%
Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	27.00%	24.00%	21.00%	18.00%	16.00%	14.00%	11.00%	9.00%	6.00%	3.00%
Dodge & Cox Stock Fund	15.00%	14.00%	13.00%	11.00%	9.00%	8.00%	6.00%	5.00%	3.00%	2.00%
T. Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth Fund	15.00%	14.00%	13.00%	11.00%	9.00%	8.00%	6.00%	5.00%	3.00%	2.00%
Vanguard Explorer Fund	4.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%	1.00%	
Northern Small Cap Value SMA	4.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%	1.00%	
Fidelity Total International Index Fund	29.00%	24.00%	22.00%	19.00%	16.00%	13.00%	10.00%	7.00%	4.00%	2.00%
Vanguard Real Estate ETF	6.00%	6.00%	5.00%	5.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Index Investment Options	Age of Beneficiary										
Age-Based Index Conservative Investment Option	0-2	3–5	6–8	9–10	11-12	13-14	15-16	17-18	19+		
State Street U.S. Government Money Market Fund						9.00%	23.00%	50.00%	100.0%		
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities ETF		2.00%	4.00%	9.00%	13.00%	11.00%	14.00%	15.00%			
Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF	6.00%	9.00%	11.00%	14.00%	22.00%	25.00%	22.00%	20.00%			
Fidelity U.S. Bond Index Fund	20.00%	24.00%	29.00%	31.00%	30.00%	30.00%	28.00%	15.00%			
Vanguard Total International Bond ETF	4.00%	5.00%	6.00%	6.00%	5.00%	5.00%	3.00%				
Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF	46.00%	40.00%	34.00%	27.00%	21.00%	14.00%	7.00%				
Fidelity Total International Index Fund	19.00%	16.00%	13.00%	10.00%	7.00%	4.00%	2.00%				
Vanguard Real Estate ETF	5.00%	4.00%	3.00%	3.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%				
TOTAL	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		



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# **NEST Advisor Individual Investment Options**

To provide additional flexibility, NEST offers 19 Individual Fund Investment Options from well-respected investment companies including Vanguard, State Street, T. Rowe Price, MetWest, DFA, Fidelity, PGIM Investments, American Funds, Dodge and Cox, and Northern Trust. You can select any combination of the Individual Fund Investment Options to design an investment portfolio that meets your needs, risk tolerance, and investment style.

#### **Money Market**

State Street U.S. Government Money Market 529

#### **Fixed Income**

Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities ETF 529
Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF 529
Fidelity U.S. Bond Index 529
PGIM Total Return Bond 529
MetWest Total Return Bond 529
DFA World ex U.S. Government Fixed Income 529

#### Non-U.S. Equity

Fidelity Total International Index 529 Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF 529

#### **U.S. Equity**

American Funds The Income Fund of America® 529
State Street Equity 500 Index 529
Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF 529
Dodge & Cox Stock 529
SPDR S&P Dividend ETF 529
T. Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth 529
Vanguard Extended Market ETF 529
Northern Small Cap Value 529
Vanguard Explorer 529

#### **Real Estate**

Vanguard Real Estate ETF 529



# Performance as of September 30, 2022

# NEST Advisor College Savings Plan



The performance data shown represents past performance. Past performance - especially short-term performance - is not a guarantee of future results. Performance information is current as of the most recent timeframe referenced above and is net of the Underlying Investment expenses, Program Management Fee, State Administration Fee and the Annual Account Servicing Fee. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate, so that investors' units, when sold, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data cited. For further information about investments and for the most recent month-end performance data, please visit our website at NEST529Advisor.com.

nvestment Option Name	'	Quarter	., .													
nvestment Option Name			Year to		Avera	ge Annua	lized		Quarter	Year to		Avera	ige Annua	lized		
·		Ending	Date					Since <sup>4</sup>	Ending	Date					Since <sup>4</sup>	Inception
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	Class	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception	Date <sup>5</sup>
Age-Based Multi-Firm Investment Options																
Age-Based Aggressive 0-2	Α	-6.82%	-26.36%	-21.91%	3.93%	-	-	3.64%	-10.08%	-28.94%	-24.64%	2.70%	-	-	2.76%	7/20/2018
Age-Based Aggressive 0-2	С	-6.72%	-26.43%	-22.04%	-	-	-	-5.50%	-6.72%	-26.43%	-22.04%	-	-	-	-5.50%	12/4/2020
Age-Based Aggressive 0-2	C1	-6.86%	-26.55%	-21.70%	3.57%	-	-	3.17%	-7.86%	-27.55%	-22.70%	3.57%	-	-	3.17%	7/20/2018
Age-Based Aggressive 0-2	F	-6.67%	-26.14%	-21.62%	-	-	-	-5.05%	-6.67%	-26.14%	-21.62%	-	-	-	-5.05%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 0-2 yr Aggressive		-6.25%	-25.58%	-20.45%	4.47%	-	-		-6.25%	-25.58%	-20.45%	4.47%	-	-		
Age-Based Aggressive 3-5	Α	-6.42%	-25.13%	-20.97%	3.73%	4.91%	8.21%	7.72%	-9.70%	-27.75%	-23.74%	2.50%	4.17%	7.83%	7.40%	12/17/2010
Age-Based Aggressive 3-5	С	-6.37%	-25.21%	-21.20%	-	-	-	-5.85%	-6.37%	-25.21%	-21.20%	-	-	-	-5.85%	12/4/2020
Age-Based Aggressive 3-5	C1	-6.59%	-25.58%	-21.69%	2.89%	4.10%	7.40%	6.91%	-7.59%	-26.58%	-22.69%	2.89%	4.10%	7.40%	6.91%	12/17/2010
Age-Based Aggressive 3-5	F	-6.32%	-24.92%	-20.77%	-	-	-	-5.39%	-6.32%	-24.92%	-20.77%	-	-	-	-5.39%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 3-5 yr Aggressive		-5.92%	-24.31%	-19.51%	3.99%	5.38%	8.54%		-5.92%	-24.31%	-19.51%	3.99%	5.38%	8.54%		
Age-Based Aggressive 6-8	Α	-6.23%	-24.03%	-20.36%	2.95%	4.40%	7.35%	7.21%	-9.51%	-26.69%	-23.15%	1.74%	3.66%	6.96%	6.89%	12/17/2010
Age-Based Aggressive 6-8	С	-6.30%	-24.09%	-20.43%	-	-	-	-6.08%	-6.30%	-24.09%	-20.43%	-	-	-	-6.08%	12/4/2020
Age-Based Aggressive 6-8	C1	-6.42%	-24.39%	-20.93%	2.25%	3.67%	6.57%	6.43%	-7.42%	-25.39%	-21.93%	2.25%	3.67%	6.57%	6.43%	12/17/2010
Age-Based Aggressive 6-8	F	-6.25%	-23.79%	-20.07%	-	-	-	-5.62%	-6.25%	-23.79%	-20.07%	-	-	-	-5.62%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 6-8 yr Aggressive		-5.72%	-23.01%	-18.67%	3.28%	4.87%	7.69%		-5.72%	-23.01%	-18.67%	3.28%	4.87%	7.69%		
Age-Based Aggressive 9-10	Α	-6.02%	-22.84%	-19.53%	2.32%	-	-	2.84%	-9.31%	-25.54%	-22.34%	1.12%	-	-	1.98%	7/20/2018
Age-Based Aggressive 9-10	С	-5.91%	-22.86%	-19.59%	-	-	-	-6.14%	-5.91%	-22.86%	-19.59%	-	-	-	-6.14%	12/4/2020
Age-Based Aggressive 9-10	C1	-6.35%	-23.44%	-20.31%	1.58%	-	-	2.10%	-7.35%	-24.44%	-21.31%	1.58%	-	-	2.10%	7/20/2018
Age-Based Aggressive 9-10	F	-5.86%	-22.55%	-19.14%	-	-	-	-5.62%	-5.86%	-22.55%	-19.14%	-	-	-	-5.62%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 9-10 yr Aggressive		-5.50%	-21.78%	-17.94%	2.72%	-	-		-5.50%	-21.78%	-17.94%	2.72%	-	-		
Age-Based Aggressive 11-12	Α	-5.68%	-21.39%	-18.53%	1.72%	3.38%	5.74%	5.80%	-8.98%	-24.14%	-21.38%	0.52%	2.65%	5.36%	5.48%	12/17/2010
Age-Based Aggressive 11-12	С	-5.74%	-21.30%	-18.55%	-	-	-	-6.37%	-5.74%	-21.30%	-18.55%	-	-	-	-6.37%	12/4/2020
Age-Based Aggressive 11-12	C1	-5.70%	-21.70%	-18.97%	1.07%	2.67%	4.99%	5.04%	-6.70%	-22.70%	-19.97%	1.07%	2.67%	4.99%	5.04%	12/17/2010
Age-Based Aggressive 11-12	F	-5.59%	-21.01%	-18.12%	-	-	-	-5.91%	-5.59%	-21.01%	-18.12%	-	-	-	-5.91%	12/4/2020
NEST Benchmark 11-12 yr Aggressive		-5.15%	-20.23%	-16.92%	2.05%	3.83%	5.96%		-5.15%	-20.23%	-16.92%	2.05%	3.83%	5.96%		

			Total F	Returns wit	hout Sales	s Charges	2			Total Retu	ırns with M	aximum S	ales Char	ges <sup>3</sup>		
la contract Online Name		Quarter Ending	Year to Date		Avera	age Annua	alized	0: 4	Quarter Ending	Year to Date		Avera	age Annua	alized	0: 4	Inception
Investment Option Name  Benchmark 1	Class	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Since⁴ Inception	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Since <sup>4</sup> Inception	Date <sup>5</sup>
Age-Based Aggressive 13-14		-5.39%	-19.94%	-17.58%	1.06%	o year	10 year	2.03%	-8.70%	-22.74%	-20.46%	-0.13%	o year	10 year	1.17%	7/20/20
Age-Based Aggressive 13-14 Age-Based Aggressive 13-14	A C	-5.39% -5.46%	-19.94%	-17.50%	1.00%	-	-	-6.54%	-5.46%	-22.74%	-20.46%	-0.13%	-	-	-6.54%	12/4/20
Age-Based Aggressive 13-14 Age-Based Aggressive 13-14	C1	-5.55%	-20.44%	-17.01%	0.32%	-	-	1.28%	-6.55%	-20.00%	-17.01%	0.32%	•	•	1.28%	7/20/20
Age-Based Aggressive 13-14	F	-5.41%	-19.71%	-17.25%	0.52 /0		-	-6.08%	-5.41%	-19.71%	-17.25%	0.5270		-	-6.08%	12/4/20
NEST Benchmark 13-14 yr Aggressive	,	-4.88%	-18.72%	-15.84%	1.52%	_	_	0.0070	-4.88%	-18.72%	-15.84%	1.52%	_	_	0.0070	12/4/20
Age-Based Aggressive 15-16	А	-5.07%	-18.17%	-16.13%	0.57%	2.34%	4.06%	4.33%	-8.39%	-21.04%	-19.07%	-0.61%	1.61%	3.70%	4.01%	12/17/20
Age-Based Aggressive 15-16	C	-5.01%	-18.02%	-16.01%	-	-	-	-6.08%	-5.01%	-18.02%	-16.01%	-	-	-	-6.08%	12/4/20
Age-Based Aggressive 15-16	C1	-5.20%	-18.58%	-16.65%	-0.11%	1.61%	3.31%	3.57%	-6.20%	-19.58%	-17.65%	-0.11%	1.61%	3.31%	3.57%	12/17/20
Age-Based Aggressive 15-16	F	-4.96%	-17.73%	-15.57%	-	-	-	-5.62%	-4.96%	-17.73%	-15.57%	-	-	-	-5.62%	12/4/20
NEST Benchmark 15-16 yr Aggressive		-4.57%	-16.93%	-14.54%	0.91%	2.77%	4.34%		-4.57%	-16.93%	-14.54%	0.91%	2.77%	4.34%		
Age-Based Aggressive 17-18	А	-4.49%	-15.90%	-14.34%	0.19%	-	-	1.47%	-7.84%	-18.85%	-17.34%	-0.99%	-	-	0.61%	7/20/20
Age-Based Aggressive 17-18	С	-4.59%	-15.99%	-14.46%	-	-	-	-6.02%	-4.59%	-15.99%	-14.46%	-	-	-	-6.02%	12/4/20
Age-Based Aggressive 17-18	C1	-4.71%	-16.38%	-15.00%	-0.54%	-	-	0.73%	-5.71%	-17.38%	-16.00%	-0.54%	-	-	0.73%	7/20/20
Age-Based Aggressive 17-18	F	-4.45%	-15.78%	-14.10%	-	-	-	-5.50%	-4.45%	-15.78%	-14.10%	-	-	-	-5.50%	12/4/20
NEST Benchmark 17-18 yr Aggressive		-4.14%	-14.77%	-12.86%	0.62%	-	-		-4.14%	-14.77%	-12.86%	0.62%	-	-		
Age-Based Aggressive 19+	А	-3.85%	-13.43%	-12.34%	-0.28%	1.43%	2.40%	2.89%	-7.21%	-16.46%	-15.41%	-1.46%	0.71%	2.04%	2.58%	12/17/20
Age-Based Aggressive 19+	С	-3.95%	-13.48%	-12.46%	-	-	-	-5.68%	-3.95%	-13.48%	-12.46%	-	-	-	-5.68%	12/4/20
Age-Based Aggressive 19+	C1	-4.04%	-13.89%	-13.02%	-1.02%	0.68%	1.66%	2.14%	-5.04%	-14.89%	-14.02%	-1.02%	0.68%	1.66%	2.14%	12/17/20
Age-Based Aggressive 19+	F	-3.82%	-13.21%	-12.11%	-	-	-	-5.22%	-3.82%	-13.21%	-12.11%	-	-	-	-5.22%	12/4/20
NEST Benchmark 19+ yr Aggressive		-3.51%	-12.34%	-11.04%	0.07%	1.87%	2.81%		-3.51%	-12.34%	-11.04%	0.07%	1.87%	2.81%		
Age-Based Moderate 0-2	А	-6.46%	-25.28%	-21.13%	3.21%	4.54%	7.42%	7.27%	-9.73%	-27.89%	-23.89%	1.99%	3.80%	7.03%	6.95%	12/17/20
Age-Based Moderate 0-2	С	-6.37%	-25.21%	-21.20%	-	-	-	-5.85%	-6.37%	-25.21%	-21.20%	-	-	-	-5.85%	12/4/20
Age-Based Moderate 0-2	C1	-6.53%	-25.56%	-21.56%	2.53%	3.83%	6.66%	6.51%	-7.53%	-26.56%	-22.56%	2.53%	3.83%	6.66%	6.51%	12/17/20
Age-Based Moderate 0-2	F	-6.32%	-24.92%	-20.77%	-	-	-	-5.39%	-6.32%	-24.92%	-20.77%	-	-	-	-5.39%	12/4/20
NEST Benchmark 0-2 yr Moderate		-5.92%	-24.31%	-19.51%	3.89%	5.24%	7.88%		-5.92%	-24.31%	-19.51%	3.89%	5.24%	7.88%		
Age-Based Moderate 3-5	А	-6.21%	-23.98%	-20.34%	2.54%	_	-	3.00%	-9.50%	-26.64%	-23.13%	1.33%	_	-	2.13%	7/20/20
Age-Based Moderate 3-5	С	-6.30%	-24.09%	-20.43%	-	-	-	-6.08%	-6.30%	-24.09%	-20.43%	-	-	-	-6.08%	12/4/20
Age-Based Moderate 3-5	C1	-6.39%	-24.42%	-20.94%	1.82%	_	_	2.27%	-7.39%	-25.42%	-21.94%	1.82%	_	_	2.27%	7/20/20
Age-Based Moderate 3-5	F.	-6.25%	-23.79%	-20.07%		_	_	-5.62%	-6.25%	-23.79%	-20.07%		_		-5.62%	12/4/20
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NEST Benchmark 3-5 yr Moderate	A	-5.72% 6.03%	-23.01%	-18.67%	3.29%	2 // 20/	- E 700/	E 000/	-5.72%	-23.01%	-18.67%	3.29%	2 600/	E 200/	E E00/	10/47/00
Age-Based Moderate 6-8	A	-6.03%	-22.88%	-19.60%	1.79%	3.42%	5.76%	5.82%	-9.32%	-25.58%	-22.42%	0.59%	2.69%	5.38%	5.50%	12/17/20
Age-Based Moderate 6-8	C	-5.91%	-22.86%	-19.59%	-	-	-	-6.14%	-5.91%	-22.86%	-19.59%	-	-	-	-6.14%	12/4/20
Age-Based Moderate 6-8	C1	-6.15%	-23.35%	-20.20%	1.05%	2.66%	4.98%	5.04%	-7.15%	-24.35%	-21.20%	1.05%	2.66%	4.98%	5.04%	12/17/20
Age-Based Moderate 6-8	F	-5.86%	-22.55%	-19.14%	-	-	-	-5.62%	-5.86%	-22.55%	-19.14%	-	-	-	-5.62%	12/4/20
NEST Benchmark 6-8 yr Moderate		-5.50%	-21.78%	-17.94%	2.46%	4.08%	6.09%		-5.50%	-21.78%	-17.94%	2.46%	4.08%	6.09%		

			Total F	Returns witl	nout Sales	Charges	2			Total Retu	ırns with M	aximum S	ales Char	ges <sup>3</sup>		
Investment Option Name	'	Quarter Ending	Year to Date		Avera	age Annua	llized	Since <sup>4</sup>	Quarter Ending	Year to Date		Avera	age Annua	lized	Since <sup>4</sup>	Inception
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	Class	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception	٠.
Age-Based Moderate 9-10	A	-5.61%	-21.31%	-18.43%	1.22%	-	-	2.14%	-8.92%	-24.06%	-21.29%	0.02%	-	-	1.28%	7/20/20
Age-Based Moderate 9-10	С	-5.74%	-21.30%	-18.55%	_	_	_	-6.37%	-5.74%	-21.30%	-18.55%	_	_		-6.37%	12/4/20
Age-Based Moderate 9-10	C1	-6.04%	-21.92%	-19.11%	0.41%	-	-	1.35%	-7.04%	-22.92%	-20.11%	0.41%	-	-	1.35%	7/20/20
Age-Based Moderate 9-10	F	-5.59%	-21.01%	-18.12%	_	_	_	-5.91%	-5.59%	-21.01%	-18.12%	_	_	_	-5.91%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 9-10 yr Moderate		-5.15%	-20.23%	-16.92%	2.00%	_	_		-5.15%	-20.23%	-16.92%	2.00%	_	_		
Age-Based Moderate 11-12	Α	-5.42%	-19.98%	-17.57%	0.45%	2.26%	4.03%	4.29%	-8.73%	-22.78%	-20.46%	-0.74%	1.54%	3.66%	3.98%	12/17/20°
Age-Based Moderate 11-12	С	-5.46%	-20.00%	-17.61%	_	_	_	-6.54%	-5.46%	-20.00%	-17.61%	_	_	_	-6.54%	12/4/202
Age-Based Moderate 11-12	C1	-5.52%	-20.27%	-18.01%	-0.22%	1.54%	3.28%	3.54%	-6.52%	-21.27%	-19.01%	-0.22%	1.54%	3.28%	3.54%	12/17/201
Age-Based Moderate 11-12	F	-5.41%	-19.71%	-17.25%	_	_	_	-6.08%	-5.41%	-19.71%	-17.25%	_	_	_	-6.08%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 11-12 yr Moderate		-4.88%	-18.72%	-15.84%	1.17%	2.93%	4.42%		-4.88%	-18.72%	-15.84%	1.17%	2.93%	4.42%		
Age-Based Moderate 13-14	Α	-5.04%	-18.15%	-16.14%	-0.06%	_	_	1.28%	-8.36%	-21.02%	-19.07%	-1.24%	_	_	0.43%	7/20/201
Age-Based Moderate 13-14	С	-5.01%	-18.02%	-16.01%	-	_	_	-6.08%	-5.01%	-18.02%	-16.01%	_	_	_	-6.08%	12/4/202
Age-Based Moderate 13-14	C1	-5.18%	-18.52%	-16.60%	-0.74%	_	_	0.59%	-6.18%	-19.52%	-17.60%	-0.74%	_	_	0.59%	7/20/201
Age-Based Moderate 13-14	F	-4.96%	-17.73%	-15.57%	-	_	_	-5.62%	-4.96%	-17.73%	-15.57%	_	_	_	-5.62%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 13-14 yr Moderate		-4.57%	-16.93%	-14.54%	0.82%	_	_		-4.57%	-16.93%	-14.54%	0.82%	_	_		
Age-Based Moderate 15-16	Α	-4.53%	-15.84%	-14.29%	-0.47%	1.31%	2.35%	2.84%	-7.87%	-18.79%	-17.29%	-1.65%	0.60%	1.99%	2.53%	12/17/201
Age-Based Moderate 15-16	С	-4.59%	-15.99%	-14.46%	-	-	-	-6.02%	-4.59%	-15.99%	-14.46%	-	_	-	-6.02%	12/4/202
Age-Based Moderate 15-16	C1	-4.79%	-16.36%	-14.96%	-1.23%	0.54%	1.58%	2.07%	-5.79%	-17.36%	-15.96%	-1.23%	0.54%	1.58%	2.07%	12/17/201
Age-Based Moderate 15-16	F	-4.45%	-15.78%	-14.10%	-	_	-	-5.50%	-4.45%	-15.78%	-14.10%	-	_	-	-5.50%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 15-16 yr Moderate		-4.14%	-14.77%	-12.86%	0.27%	1.99%	2.88%		-4.14%	-14.77%	-12.86%	0.27%	1.99%	2.88%		
Age-Based Moderate 17-18	Α	-3.87%	-13.42%	-12.31%	-1.06%	-	-	0.45%	-7.23%	-16.45%	-15.38%	-2.22%	_	-	-0.40%	7/20/201
Age-Based Moderate 17-18	С	-3.95%	-13.48%	-12.46%	-	_	_	-5.68%	-3.95%	-13.48%	-12.46%	_	_	_	-5.68%	12/4/202
Age-Based Moderate 17-18	C1	-4.08%	-13.86%	-12.95%	-1.76%	_	_	-0.29%	-5.08%	-14.86%	-13.95%	-1.76%	_	_	-0.29%	7/20/201
Age-Based Moderate 17-18	F	-3.82%	-13.21%	-12.11%	-	_	_	-5.22%	-3.82%	-13.21%	-12.11%	-	_	_	-5.22%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 17-18 yr Moderate		-3.51%	-12.34%	-11.04%	-0.22%	_	_		-3.51%	-12.34%	-11.04%	-0.22%	_	_		
Age-Based Moderate 19+	Α	-3.02%	-10.05%	-9.47%	-1.50%	_	_	-0.14%	-6.42%	-13.19%	-12.64%	-2.66%	_	_	-0.99%	7/20/201
Age-Based Moderate 19+	С	-3.07%	-10.20%	-9.67%	_	_	_	-4.70%	-3.07%	-10.20%	-9.67%	_	_	_	-4.70%	12/4/202
Age-Based Moderate 19+	C1	-3.12%	-10.51%	-10.09%	-2.19%	_	_	-0.92%	-4.12%	-11.51%	-11.09%	-2.19%	_	_	-0.92%	7/20/201
Age-Based Moderate 19+	F	-2.94%	-9.77%	-9.15%	-	_	_	-4.25%	-2.94%	-9.77%	-9.15%	_	_	_	-4.25%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 19+ yr Moderate		-2.74%	-9.08%	-8.31%	-0.68%	_	-		-2.74%	-9.08%	-8.31%	-0.68%	-	-		
Age-Based Index Investment Options																
Age-Based Index Conservative 0-2	Α	-5.75%	-22.01%	-18.08%	2.03%	3.62%	5.72%	5.90%	-9.05%	-24.74%	-20.94%	0.82%	2.89%	5.35%	5.58%	12/17/201
Age-Based Index Conservative 0-2	C	-5.06%	-21.31%	-17.57%	-	-	-	-5.56%	-5.06%	-21.31%	-17.57%	-	-	-	-5.56%	12/4/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 0-2	C1	-4.64%	-17.64%	-13.58%	3.29%	4.06%	5.55%	5.64%	-5.64%	-18.64%	-14.58%	3.29%	4.06%	5.55%	5.64%	12/17/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 0-2	F	-5.03%	-21.06%	-17.25%	-	-	-	-5.22%	-5.03%	-21.06%	-17.25%	-	-	-	-5.22%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 0-2 yr Index Conservative		-5.59%	-21.90%	-17.84%	2.42%	4.11%	6.20%		-5.59%	-21.90%	-17.84%	2.42%	4.11%	6.20%		

			Total F	Returns with	nout Sales	Charges	2			Total Retu	urns with M	aximum S	ales Char	ges <sup>3</sup>		
		Quarter	Year to		Avera	age Annua	lized		Quarter	Year to		Avera	ige Annua	lized		
Investment Option Name		Ending	Date					Since <sup>4</sup>	Ending	Date					Since <sup>4</sup>	Inception
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	Class	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception	Date <sup>5</sup>
Age-Based Index Conservative 3-5	Α	-5.49%	-20.55%	-17.08%	1.18%	-	-	2.34%	-8.80%	-23.33%	-19.98%	-0.02%	-	-	1.48%	7/20/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 3-5	С	-5.82%	-20.32%	-16.96%	-	-	-	-5.27%	-5.82%	-20.32%	-16.96%	-	-	-	-5.27%	12/4/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 3-5	C1	-5.58%	-21.31%	-17.99%	0.41%	-	-	1.56%	-6.58%	-22.31%	-18.99%	0.41%	-	-	1.56%	7/20/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 3-5	F	-5.58%	-20.04%	-16.53%	-	-	-	-4.82%	-5.58%	-20.04%	-16.53%	-	-	-	-4.82%	12/4/20
NEST Benchmark 3-5 yr Index Conservative		-5.24%	-20.33%	-16.78%	1.94%	-	-		-5.24%	-20.33%	-16.78%	1.94%	-	-		
Age-Based Index Conservative 6-8	Α	-5.12%	-18.89%	-15.95%	0.59%	2.36%	4.01%	4.33%	-8.44%	-21.73%	-18.90%	-0.59%	1.64%	3.64%	4.02%	12/17/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 6-8	С	-4.99%	-19.15%	-16.36%	-	-	-	-5.91%	-4.99%	-19.15%	-16.36%	-	-	-	-5.91%	12/4/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 6-8	C1	-5.34%	-19.51%	-16.80%	-0.24%	1.56%	3.21%	3.53%	-6.34%	-20.51%	-17.80%	-0.24%	1.56%	3.21%	3.53%	12/17/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 6-8	F	-4.85%	-18.87%	-15.92%	-	-	-	-5.45%	-4.85%	-18.87%	-15.92%	-	-	-	-5.45%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 6-8 yr Index Conservative		-4.93%	-18.83%	-15.81%	1.13%	2.95%	4.57%		-4.93%	-18.83%	-15.81%	1.13%	2.95%	4.57%		
Age-Based Index Conservative 9-10	Α	-4.93%	-17.30%	-14.85%	-0.03%	-	-	1.42%	-8.26%	-20.20%	-17.83%	-1.21%	-	-	0.56%	7/20/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 9-10	С	-4.96%	-17.04%	-14.68%	-	-	-	-5.56%	-4.96%	-17.04%	-14.68%	-	-	-	-5.56%	12/4/202
Age-Based Index Conservative 9-10	C1	-5.16%	-17.73%	-15.44%	-0.70%	-	-	0.71%	-6.16%	-18.73%	-16.44%	-0.70%	-	-	0.71%	7/20/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 9-10	F	-4.83%	-16.79%	-14.27%	-	-	-	-5.22%	-4.83%	-16.79%	-14.27%	-	-	-	-5.22%	12/4/20
NEST Benchmark 9-10 yr Index Conservative		-4.62%	-17.01%	-14.46%	0.76%	-	-		-4.62%	-17.01%	-14.46%	0.76%	-	-		
Age-Based Index Conservative 11-12	Α	-4.29%	-15.03%	-13.17%	-0.41%	1.34%	2.38%	2.80%	-7.64%	-18.01%	-16.21%	-1.58%	0.62%	2.02%	2.49%	12/17/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 11-12	С	-4.45%	-15.24%	-13.45%	-	-	-	-5.56%	-4.45%	-15.24%	-13.45%	-	-	-	-5.56%	12/4/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 11-12	C1	-4.37%	-15.47%	-13.80%	-1.16%	0.56%	1.62%	2.03%	-5.37%	-16.47%	-14.80%	-1.16%	0.56%	1.62%	2.03%	12/17/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 11-12	F	-4.32%	-14.90%	-13.03%	-	-	-	-5.16%	-4.32%	-14.90%	-13.03%	-	-	-	-5.16%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 11-12 yr Index Conservative		-4.15%	-14.85%	-12.88%	0.24%	1.98%	3.03%		-4.15%	-14.85%	-12.88%	0.24%	1.98%	3.03%		
Age-Based Index Conservative 13-14	Α	-3.72%	-12.60%	-11.34%	-0.98%	0.67%	1.01%	1.30%	-7.09%	-15.66%	-14.44%	-2.15%	-0.05%	0.65%	1.00%	12/17/20 <sup>-</sup>
Age-Based Index Conservative 13-14	С	-3.92%	-12.79%	-11.60%	-	-	-	-5.22%	-3.92%	-12.79%	-11.60%	-	-	-	-5.22%	12/4/202
Age-Based Index Conservative 13-14	C1	-3.79%	-13.05%	-11.97%	-1.69%	-0.08%	0.25%	0.54%	-4.79%	-14.05%	-12.97%	-1.69%	-0.08%	0.25%	0.54%	12/17/201
Age-Based Index Conservative 13-14	F	-1.47%	-10.35%	-9.04%	-	-	-	-3.57%	-1.47%	-10.35%	-9.04%	-	-	-	-3.57%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 13-14 yr Index Conservative		-3.53%	-12.40%	-11.01%	-0.32%	1.34%	1.67%		-3.53%	-12.40%	-11.01%	-0.32%	1.34%	1.67%		
Age-Based Index Conservative 15-16	Α	-2.87%	-9.40%	-8.77%	-1.45%	0.00%	0.27%	0.42%	-6.27%	-12.57%	-11.96%	-2.61%	-0.71%	-0.09%	0.12%	12/17/20 <sup>-</sup>
Age-Based Index Conservative 15-16	С	-3.06%	-9.73%	-9.19%	-	-	-	-4.53%	-3.06%	-9.73%	-9.19%	-	-	-	-4.53%	12/4/202
Age-Based Index Conservative 15-16	C1	-3.12%	-9.93%	-9.50%	-2.15%	-0.75%	-0.48%	-0.33%	-4.12%	-10.93%	-10.50%	-2.15%	-0.75%	-0.48%	-0.33%	12/17/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 15-16	F	-3.04%	-9.59%	-8.97%	-	-	-	-4.25%	-3.04%	-9.59%	-8.97%	-	-	-	-4.25%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 15-16 yr Index Conservative		-2.73%	-9.12%	-8.38%	-0.71%	0.73%	0.92%		-2.73%	-9.12%	-8.38%	-0.71%	0.73%	0.92%		
Age-Based Index Conservative 17-18	Α	-1.30%	-3.98%	-4.07%	-1.09%	-	-	-0.24%	-1.30%	-3.98%	-4.07%	-1.09%	-	-	-0.24%	7/20/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 17-18	С	-1.43%	-4.09%	-4.09%	-	-	-	-2.10%	-1.43%	-4.09%	-4.09%	-	-	-	-2.10%	12/4/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 17-18	C1	-1.40%	-4.07%	-4.07%	-1.09%	-	-	-0.26%	-1.40%	-4.07%	-4.07%	-1.09%	-	-	-0.26%	7/20/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 17-18	F	-1.43%	-1.73%	-1.83%	-	-	-	-1.88%	-1.43%	-1.73%	-1.83%	-	-	-	-1.88%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark 17-18 yr Index Conservative		-1.31%	-3.91%	-3.87%	-0.74%	-	-		-1.31%	-3.91%	-3.87%	-0.74%	-	-		
Age-Based Index Conservative 19+	Α	0.49%	0.58%	0.58%	0.36%	-	-	0.80%	0.49%	0.58%	0.58%	0.36%	-	-	0.80%	7/20/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 19+	С	0.40%	0.60%	0.60%	-	-	-	0.33%	0.40%	0.60%	0.60%	-	-	-	0.33%	12/4/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 19+	C1	0.49%	0.58%	0.58%	0.36%	-	-	0.78%	0.49%	0.58%	0.58%	0.36%	-	-	0.78%	7/20/20
Age-Based Index Conservative 19+	F	0.50%	0.70%	0.70%	-	-	-	0.49%	0.50%	0.70%	0.70%	-	-	-	0.49%	12/4/20
NEST Benchmark 19+ yr Index Conservative		0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	0.57%	-	-		0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	0.57%	-	-		

			Total F	Returns witl	nout Sales	Charges	2			Total Retu	ırns with M	aximum S	ales Charç	ges <sup>3</sup>		
		Quarter	Year to		Avera	ge Annua	lized	- 4	Quarter	Year to		Avera	age Annua	lized	- 4	1 6
Investment Option Name	01	Ending	Date	4	2	F	10	Since <sup>4</sup>	Ending	Date	1	2	F	10	Since <sup>4</sup>	Inception
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	Class	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception	Date <sup>5</sup>
Static Investment Options																
All Equity Static	Α	-6.76%	-26.43%	-21.97%	3.94%	-	-	3.55%	-10.03%	-29.00%	-24.70%	2.72%	-	-	2.68%	7/20/201
All Equity Static	С	-6.72%	-26.43%	-22.04%	-	-	-	-5.50%	-6.72%	-26.43%	-22.04%	-	-	-	-5.50%	12/4/202
All Equity Static	C1	-7.12%	-26.86%	-22.57%	3.09%	-	-	2.78%	-8.12%	-27.86%	-23.57%	3.09%	-	-	2.78%	7/20/201
All Equity Static	F	-6.67%	-26.14%	-21.62%	-	-	-	-5.05%	-6.67%	-26.14%	-21.62%	-	-	-	-5.05%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark All Equity Static		-6.25%	-25.58%	-20.45%	4.47%	-	-		-6.25%	-25.58%	-20.45%	4.47%	-	-		
Growth Static	Α	-6.35%	-24.13%	-20.47%	2.95%	4.40%	7.35%	7.21%	-9.62%	-26.79%	-23.25%	1.74%	3.66%	6.96%	6.89%	12/17/201
Growth Static	С	-6.30%	-24.09%	-20.43%	-	-	-	-6.08%	-6.30%	-24.09%	-20.43%	-	-	-	-6.08%	12/4/202
Growth Static	C1	-6.47%	-24.56%	-21.04%	2.20%	3.64%	6.56%	6.42%	-7.47%	-25.56%	-22.04%	2.20%	3.64%	6.56%	6.42%	12/17/201
Growth Static	F	-6.25%	-23.79%	-20.07%	-	-	-	-5.62%	-6.25%	-23.79%	-20.07%	-	-	-	-5.62%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark Growth Static		-5.72%	-23.01%	-18.67%	3.28%	4.87%	7.69%		-5.72%	-23.01%	-18.67%	3.28%	4.87%	7.69%		
Balanced Static	Α	-5.40%	-20.02%	-17.65%	1.00%	-	-	2.01%	-8.71%	-22.81%	-20.53%	-0.19%	-	-	1.15%	7/20/201
Balanced Static	С	-5.46%	-20.00%	-17.61%	-	-	-	-6.54%	-5.46%	-20.00%	-17.61%	-	-	-	-6.54%	12/4/202
Balanced Static	C1	-5.65%	-20.48%	-18.26%	0.29%	-	-	1.21%	-6.65%	-21.48%	-19.26%	0.29%	-	-	1.21%	7/20/201
Balanced Static	F	-5.41%	-19.71%	-17.25%	-	-	-	-6.08%	-5.41%	-19.71%	-17.25%	-	-	-	-6.08%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark Balanced Static		-4.88%	-18.72%	-15.84%	1.52%	-	-		-4.88%	-18.72%	-15.84%	1.52%	-	-		
Conservative Static	Α	-3.85%	-13.44%	-12.41%	-0.31%	1.42%	2.41%	2.88%	-7.22%	-16.47%	-15.47%	-1.48%	0.70%	2.04%	2.57%	12/17/201
Conservative Static	С	-3.95%	-13.48%	-12.46%	-	-	-	-5.68%	-3.95%	-13.48%	-12.46%	-	-	-	-5.68%	12/4/202
Conservative Static	C1	-4.12%	-13.98%	-13.04%	-1.05%	0.67%	1.65%	2.12%	-5.12%	-14.98%	-14.04%	-1.05%	0.67%	1.65%	2.12%	12/17/201
Conservative Static	F	-3.82%	-13.21%	-12.11%	-	-	-	-5.22%	-3.82%	-13.21%	-12.11%	-	-	-	-5.22%	12/4/202
NEST Benchmark Conservative Static		-3.51%	-12.34%	-11.04%	0.07%	1.87%	2.81%		-3.51%	-12.34%	-11.04%	0.07%	1.87%	2.81%		
Bank Savings Static <sup>6</sup>	А	0.47%	0.75%	0.84%	0.72%	0.88%	0.69%	0.69%	0.47%	0.75%	0.84%	0.72%	0.88%	0.69%	0.69%	10/17/201
Bank Savings Static <sup>6</sup>	С	0.60%	0.80%	0.90%	-	-	-	0.60%	0.60%	0.80%	0.90%	-	-	-	0.60%	12/4/202
Bank Savings Static <sup>6</sup>	C1	0.47%	0.75%	0.75%	0.72%	0.88%	0.69%	0.69%	0.47%	0.75%	0.75%	0.72%	0.88%	0.69%	0.69%	10/17/201
Bank Savings Static <sup>6</sup>	F	0.50%	0.60%	0.60%	-	-	-	0.77%	0.50%	0.60%	0.60%	-	-	-	0.77%	12/4/202
FTSE 3-Month T-Bill		0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	0.57%	1.13%	0.66%		0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	0.57%	1.13%	0.66%		
Individual Investment Options								'								
State Street U.S. Government Money Market 529 <sup>7</sup>	Α	0.40%	0.60%	0.60%	_	_	_	0.33%	0.40%	0.60%	0.60%	_	-	_	0.33%	12/4/202
State Street U.S. Government Money Market 529 <sup>7</sup>	С	0.50%	0.60%	0.60%	-	_	_	0.33%	0.50%	0.60%	0.60%	-	-	-	0.33%	12/4/202
State Street U.S. Government Money Market 529 <sup>7</sup>	C1	0.40%	0.60%	0.60%	_	_	_	0.33%	0.40%	0.60%	0.60%	_	-	-	0.33%	12/4/202
State Street U.S. Government Money Market 529 <sup>7</sup>	F	0.50%	0.70%	0.70%	-	-	-	0.38%	0.50%	0.70%	0.70%	-	-	-	0.38%	12/4/202
FTSE 3-Month T-Bill		0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	_	_	_		0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	_	_	_		
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities EFT 529	A	-2.83%	-4.52%	-3.43%	1.82%	1.74%	-	1.47%	-6.23%	-7.86%	-6.81%	0.62%	1.02%	-	0.91%	4/29/201
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities EFT 529	С	-2.82%	-4.86%	-3.85%	-	-	-	-0.06%	-2.82%	-4.86%	-3.85%	-	-	-	-0.06%	12/4/202
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities EFT 529	C1	-2.97%	-5.09%	-4.22%	1.07%	0.98%	_	0.69%	-3.97%	-6.09%	-5.22%	1.07%	0.98%	-	0.69%	4/29/201
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities EFT 529	F.	-2.70%	-4.44%	-3.25%	-	-	_	0.60%	-2.70%	-4.44%	-3.25%	-	-	_	0.60%	12/4/202
Bloomberg U.S. 0-5 Year TIPS Index	•	-2.62%	-3.98%	-2.86%	2.44%	2.35%	_	2.3070	-2.62%	-3.98%	-2.86%	2.44%	2.35%	_		

			Total F	Returns with	nout Sales	Charges	2			Total Retu	ırns with M	laximum S	ales Char	ges <sup>3</sup>		
	1	Quarter	Year to		Avera	age Annua	lized	1	Quarter	Year to		Avera	age Annua	lized	1	
Investment Option Name  Benchmark 1	Class	Ending 9/30/2022	Date 9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Since⁴ Inception	Ending 9/30/2022	Date 9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Since <sup>4</sup> Inception	Inception Date <sup>5</sup>
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Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF 529	A	-2.27%	-6.94%	-7.69%	-1.44%	-0.02%	0.26%	0.31%	-5.69%	-10.20%	-10.92%	-2.60%	-0.73%	-0.10%	-0.04%	6/22/20
Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF 529	C C1	-2.46% -2.55%	-7.12% -7.46%	-7.96% -8.44%	- -2.17%	-0.78%	-0.50%	-4.87% -0.45%	-2.46% -3.55%	-7.12% -8.46%	-7.96% -9.44%	- -2.17%	-0.78%	-0.50%	-4.87% -0.45%	12/4/20 6/22/20
Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF 529 Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF 529	C1	-2.33%	-6.78%	-7.53%	-2.17 /0	-0.70%	-0.50%	-4.42%	-2.33%	-6.78%	-9.44 % -7.53%	-2.17 70	-0.70%	-0.50%	-4.42%	12/4/20
Bloomberg U.S. 1-5 Year Govt/Credit Float Adj	'	-2.16%	-6.62%	-7.29%	-0.90%	0.55%	0.88%	-4.42/0	-2.16%	-6.62%	-7.29%	-0.90%	0.55%	0.88%	-4.42/0	12/4/20
Fidelity U.S. Bond Index 529	A	-4.89%	-14.77%	-15.03%	0.0070	-	0.0070	-9.30%	-8.22%	-17.75%	-18.00%	0.5070	0.0070	0.0070	-11.06%	12/4/20
Fidelity U.S. Bond Index 529	C	-4.80%	-14.90%	-15.16%			-	-9.48%	-4.80%	-14.90%	-15.16%	_			-9.48%	12/4/20
Fidelity U.S. Bond Index 529	C1	-4.76%	-14.62%	-14.79%				-9.07%	-5.76%	-15.62%	-15.79%	_	_		-9.07%	12/4/20
Fidelity U.S. Bond Index 529	F	-4.76%	-14.63%	-14.72%				-9.13%	-4.76%	-14.63%	-14.72%	_	_		-9.13%	12/4/20
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index		-4.75%	-14.61%	-14.60%	_	_	_	5.1070	-4.75%	-14.61%	-14.60%	_	_	_	0.1070	1217120
PGIM Total Return Bond 529	Α	-4.75%	-17.04%	-16.95%				-10.14%	-8.08%	-19.94%	-19.86%				-11.88%	12/4/20
PGIM Total Return Bond 529	C	-4.88%	-17.27%	-17.19%	_	_	_	-10.38%	-4.88%	-17.27%	-17.19%	_	_	_	-10.38%	12/4/20
PGIM Total Return Bond 529	C1	-4.72%	-16.88%	-16.72%	_	_	_	-9.90%	-5.72%	-17.88%	-17.72%	_	_	_	-9.90%	12/4/20
PGIM Total Return Bond 529	F	-4.68%	-13.97%	-13.80%	_	_	_	-8.18%	-4.68%	-13.97%	-13.80%	_	_	_	-8.18%	12/4/20
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index		-4.75%	-14.61%	-14.60%	-	_	_		-4.75%	-14.61%	-14.60%	_	-	_		
MetWest Total Return Bond 529	A	-5.28%	-16.47%	-16.68%	-3.63%	-0.59%		0.05%	-8.60%	-19.40%	-19.60%	-4.77%	-1.29%	-	-0.41%	2/6/20
MetWest Total Return Bond 529	С	-5.40%	-16.52%	-16.68%	-	-	-	-10.08%	-5.40%	-16.52%	-16.68%	-	-	-	-10.08%	12/4/20
MetWest Total Return Bond 529	C1	-5.48%	-16.97%	-17.34%	-4.36%	-1.33%	-	-0.68%	-6.48%	-17.97%	-18.34%	-4.36%	-1.33%	-	-0.68%	2/6/20
MetWest Total Return Bond 529	F	-5.26%	-16.26%	-16.35%	-	-	-	-9.78%	-5.26%	-16.26%	-16.35%	-	-	-	-9.78%	12/4/20
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index		-4.75%	-14.61%	-14.60%	-3.26%	-0.27%	-		-4.75%	-14.61%	-14.60%	-3.26%	-0.27%	-		
DFA World ex U.S. Government Fixed Income 529	А	-6.61%	-19.71%	-19.85%	-7.81%	-1.92%	-	-1.07%	-9.88%	-22.52%	-22.65%	-8.90%	-2.61%	-	-1.62%	4/29/20
DFA World ex U.S. Government Fixed Income 529	С	-6.56%	-19.14%	-19.39%	-	-	-	-13.43%	-6.56%	-19.14%	-19.39%	-	-	-	-13.43%	12/4/20
DFA World ex U.S. Government Fixed Income 529	C1	-6.81%	-20.18%	-20.47%	-8.50%	-2.63%	-	-1.80%	-7.81%	-21.18%	-21.47%	-8.50%	-2.63%	-	-1.80%	4/29/20
DFA World ex U.S. Government Fixed Income 529	F	-6.51%	-18.85%	-19.02%	-	-	-	-13.06%	-6.51%	-18.85%	-19.02%	-	-	-	-13.06%	12/4/20
FTSE Non-USD World Govt Bd Ind (hedged USD)		-3.30%	-12.26%	-12.30%	-4.17%	0.27%	-		-3.30%	-12.26%	-12.30%	-4.17%	0.27%	-		
American Funds The Income Fund of America® 529	А	-6.36%	-15.25%	-9.39%	3.11%	3.81%	-	5.38%	-9.63%	-18.22%	-12.56%	1.89%	3.07%	-	4.79%	4/29/20
American Funds The Income Fund of America® 529	С	-6.38%	-15.62%	-9.82%	-	-	-	-0.94%	-6.38%	-15.62%	-9.82%	-	-	-	-0.94%	12/4/20
American Funds The Income Fund of America® 529	C1	-6.50%	-15.69%	-9.96%	2.43%	3.09%	-	4.64%	-7.50%	-16.69%	-10.96%	2.43%	3.09%	-	4.64%	4/29/20
American Funds The Income Fund of America® 529	F	-6.23%	-15.20%	-9.23%	-	-	-	-0.39%	-6.23%	-15.20%	-9.23%	-	-	-	-0.39%	12/4/20
65% S&P 500 / 35% Bloomberg US Agg Bond		-4.76%	-20.56%	-14.91%	4.41%	6.16%	-		-4.76%	-20.56%	-14.91%	4.41%	6.16%	-		
State Street Equity 500 Index 529	Α	-4.98%	-24.04%	-15.79%	7.65%	8.69%	11.11%	10.98%	-8.30%	-26.70%	-18.74%	6.38%	7.92%	10.71%	10.65%	12/17/20
State Street Equity 500 Index 529	С	-4.98%	-24.90%	-16.82%	-	-	-	-1.44%	-4.98%	-24.90%	-16.82%	-	-	-	-1.44%	12/4/20
State Street Equity 500 Index 529	C1	-5.21%	-24.56%	-16.51%	6.83%	7.87%	10.27%	10.16%	-6.21%	-25.56%	-17.51%	6.83%	7.87%	10.27%	10.16%	12/17/20
State Street Equity 500 Index 529	F	-4.93%	-24.66%	-16.40%	-	-	-	-0.88%	-4.93%	-24.66%	-16.40%	-	-	-	-0.88%	12/4/20
S&P 500 Index		-4.88%	-23.87%	-15.47%	8.16%	9.24%	11.70%		-4.88%	-23.87%	-15.47%	8.16%	9.24%	11.70%		
Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF 529	Α	-4.54%	-25.07%	-18.32%	6.91%	7.85%	10.52%	10.30%	-7.88%	-27.69%	-21.18%	5.65%	7.09%	10.12%	9.97%	12/17/20
Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF 529	С	-4.61%	-25.12%	-18.44%	-	-	-	-2.72%	-4.61%	-25.12%	-18.44%	-	-	-	-2.72%	12/4/20
Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF 529	C1	-4.77%	-25.50%	-18.90%	6.14%	7.06%	9.70%	9.49%	-5.77%	-26.50%	-19.90%	6.14%	7.06%	9.70%	9.49%	12/17/20
Vanguard Total Stock Market ETF 529	F	-4.48%	-24.82%	-18.02%	-	-	-	-2.22%	-4.48%	-24.82%	-18.02%	-	-	-	-2.22%	12/4/20
CRSP U.S. Total Market Index		-4.44%	-24.86%	-17.98%	7.60%	8.56%	11.35%		-4.44%	-24.86%	-17.98%	7.60%	8.56%	11.35%		

			Total F	Returns with	nout Sales	Charges	2			Total Retu	urns with M	laximum S	ales Char	ges <sup>3</sup>		
	1	Quarter	Year to		Avera	age Annua	llized	2: 4	Quarter	Year to		Avera	age Annua	lized	0: 4	Incontinu
Investment Option Name  Benchmark 1	Class	Ending 9/30/2022	Date 9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 vear	Since⁴ Inception	Ending 9/30/2022	Date 9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Since <sup>4</sup> Inception	Inception Date <sup>5</sup>
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Dodge & Cox Stock 529	A C	-7.30%	-18.14%	-13.47%	7.97%	6.76%	-	8.95%	-10.54%	-21.00%	-16.49%	6.70%	6.01%	-	8.53%	
Dodge & Cox Stock 529  Dodge & Cox Stock 529	C1	-7.41% -7.53%	-18.18% -18.64%	-13.52% -14.11%	- 7.19%	- 5.99%	-	3.36% 8.14%	-7.41% -8.53%	-18.18% -19.64%	-13.52% -15.11%	- 7.19%	5.99%	-	3.36% 8.14%	12/4/20 7/26/20
Dodge & Cox Stock 529	F	-7.32%	-17.93%	-13.16%	7.1970	0.99%	-	4.10%	-7.32%	-17.93%	-13.11%	7.1970	J.99 / <sub>0</sub>	-	4.10%	12/4/20
Russell 1000 Value Index	г	-7.52 % -5.62%		-11.36%	4.36%	5.29%	-	4.1070	-5.62%	-17.75%		4.36%	5.29%	-	4.1076	12/4/20
	Δ.		-17.75%					40.000/			-11.36%				40.240/	6/22/20
SPDR S&P Dividend ETF 529	A	-5.55%	-12.18%	-2.91%	5.44%	6.98%	10.04%	10.69%	-8.86%	-15.25%	-6.30%	4.20%	6.22%	9.65%	10.31%	
SPDR S&P Dividend ETF 529	C	-5.66%	-13.26%	-4.22%	-	- 0.400/	- 0.000/	3.57%	-5.66%	-13.26%	-4.22%	4.050/	- 0.400/	- 0.000/	3.57%	12/4/20
SPDR S&P Dividend ETF 529	C1	-5.73%	-12.72%	-3.69%	4.65%	6.19%	9.23%	9.88%	-6.73%	-13.72%	-4.69%	4.65%	6.19%	9.23%	9.88%	6/22/20
SPDR S&P Dividend ETF 529	F	-5.49%	-12.92%	-3.73%	-	-	-	4.58%	-5.49%	-12.92%	-3.73%	-	-	-	4.58%	12/4/20
S&P High Yield Dividend Aristrocrats Index		-5.43%	-11.81%	-2.26%	6.21%	7.90%	11.20%		-5.43%	-11.81%	-2.26%	6.21%	7.90%	11.20%		
T. Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth 529	A	-2.98%	-35.24%	-31.34%	6.60%	9.40%	13.23%	12.56%	-6.38%	-37.50%	-33.74%	5.35%	8.63%	12.82%	12.22%	12/17/20
T. Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth 529	С	-3.02%	-35.27%	-31.46%	-	-	-	-11.29%	-3.02%	-35.27%	-31.46%	-	-	-	-11.29%	12/4/20
T. Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth 529	C1	-3.22%	-35.71%	-31.94%	5.77%	8.56%	12.38%	11.72%	-4.22%	-36.71%	-32.94%	5.77%	8.56%	12.38%	11.72%	12/17/20
T. Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth 529	F	-2.88%	-34.94%	-31.06%	-	-	-	-10.92%	-2.88%	-34.94%	-31.06%	-	-	-	-10.92%	12/4/20
Russell 1000 Growth Index		-3.60%	-30.66%	-22.59%	10.67%	12.17%	13.70%		-3.60%	-30.66%	-22.59%	10.67%	12.17%	13.70%		
Vanguard Extended Market ETF 529	Α	-2.82%	-30.27%	-29.88%	3.56%	4.14%	8.61%	9.41%	-6.22%	-32.71%	-32.34%	2.34%	3.40%	8.23%	9.03%	6/22/20
Vanguard Extended Market ETF 529	С	-2.82%	-30.35%	-29.98%	-	-	-	-11.89%	-2.82%	-30.35%	-29.98%	-	-	-	-11.89%	12/4/20
Vanguard Extended Market ETF 529	C1	-2.95%	-30.65%	-30.38%	2.81%	3.37%	7.81%	8.59%	-3.95%	-31.65%	-31.38%	2.81%	3.37%	7.81%	8.59%	6/22/20
Vanguard Extended Market ETF 529	F	-2.80%	-30.13%	-29.64%	-	-	-	-11.53%	-2.80%	-30.13%	-29.64%	-	-	-	-11.53%	12/4/20
S&P Completion Index		-2.78%	-30.09%	-29.62%	4.16%	4.72%	9.31%		-2.78%	-30.09%	-29.62%	4.16%	4.72%	9.31%		
Northern Small Cap Value 529	Α	-3.71%	-18.83%	-13.05%	-	-	-	2.12%	-7.08%	-21.67%	-16.10%	-	-	-	0.15%	12/4/20
Northern Small Cap Value 529	С	-3.72%	-18.89%	-13.24%	-	-	-	1.91%	-3.72%	-18.89%	-13.24%	-	-	-	1.91%	12/4/20
Northern Small Cap Value 529	C1	-3.60%	-18.63%	-12.78%	-	-	-	2.39%	-4.60%	-19.63%	-13.78%	-	-	-	2.39%	12/4/20
Northern Small Cap Value 529	F	-3.60%	-18.64%	-12.79%	-	-	-	2.34%	-3.60%	-18.64%	-12.79%	-	-	-	2.34%	12/4/20
Russell 2000 Value Index		-4.61%	-21.12%	-17.69%	-	-	-		-4.61%	-21.12%	-17.69%	-	-	-		
Vanguard Explorer 529	Α	-2.78%	-28.38%	-25.77%	-	-	-	-7.18%	-6.19%	-30.89%	-28.36%	-	-	-	-8.98%	12/4/20
Vanguard Explorer 529	С	-2.80%	-28.54%	-25.92%	-	-	-	-7.42%	-2.80%	-28.54%	-25.92%	-	-	-	-7.42%	12/4/20
Vanguard Explorer 529	C1	-2.66%	-28.23%	-25.55%	-	-	-	-6.95%	-3.66%	-29.23%	-26.55%	-	-	-	-6.95%	12/4/20
Vanguard Explorer 529	F	-2.78%	-28.31%	-25.57%	-	-	-	-7.01%	-2.78%	-28.31%	-25.57%	-	-	-	-7.01%	12/4/20
Russell 2500 Growth Index		-0.12%	-29.54%	-29.39%	-	-	-		-0.12%	-29.54%	-29.39%	-	-	-		
Fidelity Total International Index 529	А	-10.58%	-27.33%	-25.99%	-	-	-	-11.35%	-13.71%	-29.87%	-28.58%	-	-	-	-13.06%	12/4/20
Fidelity Total International Index 529	С	-10.62%	-27.47%	-26.13%	-	-	-	-11.53%	-10.62%	-27.47%	-26.13%	-	-	-	-11.53%	12/4/20
Fidelity Total International Index 529	C1	-10.53%	-27.17%	-25.76%	-	-	-	-11.10%	-11.53%	-28.17%	-26.76%	-	-	-	-11.10%	12/4/20
Fidelity Total International Index 529	F	-10.53%	-27.17%	-25.76%	-	-	-	-11.10%	-10.53%	-27.17%	-25.76%	-	-	-	-11.10%	12/4/20
MSCI ACWI ex-USA Investable Market Index		-9.69%	-26.92%	-25.72%	-	-	-		-9.69%	-26.92%	-25.72%	-	-	-		
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF 529	A	-11.31%	-24.71%	-24.94%	-1.07%	-1.36%	0.81%	1.92%	-14.41%	-27.34%	-27.57%	-2.24%	-2.06%	0.45%	1.57%	6/22/20
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF 529	С	-11.22%	-24.60%	-24.83%	-	-	-	-13.98%	-11.22%	-24.60%	-24.83%	-	-	-	-13.98%	12/4/20
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF 529	C1	-11.52%	-25.03%	-25.38%	-1.74%	-2.05%	0.08%	1.19%	-12.52%	-26.03%	-26.38%	-1.74%	-2.05%	0.08%	1.19%	6/22/20
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF 529	F	-11.14%	-24.38%	-24.53%	-	-	-	-13.61%	-11.14%	-24.38%	-24.53%	-	-	-	-13.61%	12/4/20
FTSE Emerging Markets	-	-9.94%	-23.84%	-24.22%	-0.22%	-0.48%	1.83%		-9.94%	-23.84%	-24.22%	-0.22%	-0.48%	1.83%		

			Total F	Returns with	nout Sales	Charges	2									
Investment Option Name		Quarter Ending	Year to Date		Avera	ige Annua	alized	Since <sup>4</sup>	Quarter Ending	Year to Date		Avera	ige Annua	lized	Since <sup>4</sup>	Inception
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	Class	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception	Date <sup>5</sup>
Vanguard Real Estate ETF 529	Α	-11.12%	-29.51%	-19.01%	-1.83%	2.67%	5.66%	6.91%	-14.23%	-31.97%	-21.85%	-2.98%	1.95%	5.28%	6.58%	12/17/2010
Vanguard Real Estate ETF 529	С	-11.18%	-30.04%	-19.72%	-	-	-	-0.83%	-11.18%	-30.04%	-19.72%	-	-	-	-0.83%	12/4/2020
Vanguard Real Estate ETF 529	C1	-11.41%	-30.04%	-19.75%	-2.59%	1.89%	4.87%	6.11%	-12.41%	-31.04%	-20.75%	-2.59%	1.89%	4.87%	6.11%	12/17/2010
Vanguard Real Estate ETF 529	F	-11.05%	-29.77%	-19.32%	-	-	-	-0.11%	-11.05%	-29.77%	-19.32%	-	-	-	-0.11%	12/4/2020
MSCI U.S. Investable Market RE 25/50 Index 8		-11.23%	-29.73%	-19.43%	-2.46%	2.29%	5.87%		-11.23%	-29.73%	-19.43%	-2.46%	2.29%	5.87%		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Each benchmark is not managed. Therefore, its performance does not reflect management fees, expenses or the imposition of sales charges. The Age-Based and Static blended benchmark calculations include the prior program manager's blended benchmarks through 9/30/2020 and utilize a 10/1/2020 transition date to the current Program Manager's blended benchmarks thereafter.

<sup>8</sup>MSCI US REIT Index through February 1, 2018; MSCI US Investable Market Real Estate 25/50 Transition Index through July 24, 2018: MSCI US Investable Market Real Estate 25/50 Index thereafter Class C-1 Units refer to any NEST Advisor College Savings Plan Class C Units purchased by an account owner prior to December 4, 2020. Effective December 4, 2020, Class C-1 Units are closed to new contributions and any new contributions to Class C-1 Units will be automatically made to Class C Units.

An investor should consider the investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses associated with municipal fund securities before investing. This and other important information is contained in the fund prospectuses and the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan Program Disclosure Statement (issuer's official statement), which can be obtained at NEST529advisor.com and should be read carefully before investing. You can lose money by investing in an Investment Option. Each of the Investment Options involves investment risks, which are described in the Program Disclosure Statement.

An investor should consider, before investing, whether the investor's or beneficiary's home state offers any state tax or other state benefits such as financial aid, scholarship funds, and protection from creditors that are only available for investments in such state's 529 plan. Investors should consult their tax advisor, attorney, and/or other advisor regarding their specific legal, investment, or tax situation.

The NEST Advisor College Savings Plan (the "Plan") is sponsored by the State of Nebraska, administered by the Nebraska State Treasurer, and the Nebraska Investment Council provides investment oversight. Union Bank and Trust Company serves as Program Manager and Northern Trust Securities, Inc. serves as Distributor for the Plan. The Plan offers a series of Investment Options within the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust (the "Trust"), which offers other Investment Options not affiliated with the Plan. The Plan is intended to operate as a qualified tuition program.

Except for any investments made by a Plan participant in the Bank Savings Static Investment Option up to the limit provided by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") insurance, neither the principal contributed to an account, nor earnings thereon, are guaranteed or insured by the State of Nebraska, the Nebraska State Treasurer, the Nebraska Investment Council, the Trust, the Plan, any other state, any agency or instrumentality thereof, Northern Trust Securities, Inc., Union Bank and Trust Company, the FDIC, or any other entity. Investment returns are not guaranteed. Account owners in the Plan assume all investment risk, including the potential loss of principal.

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\*Except the Underlying Investment of the Bank Savings Static Option





Northern Trust Securities, Inc.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Total Returns calculated without Up-Front Sales Load

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Total Returns calculated with maximum Sales Charges include a maximum Fee Structure A Up-Front Sales Load of 3.50% and a maximum Fee Structure C1 contingent deferred sales charge of 1.00%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Since Inception Returns for less than one year are not annualized.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>The current Program Manager resumed managing the Plan 3pm CT December 4, 2020. Share price and performance information prior to December 4, 2020 was provided by the previous program manager as the true, accurate and complete program records and has not been independently audited by the current Program Manager.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> The underlying omnibus bank accounts annual percentage yield is 2.53% as of August 1, 2022. This rate is variable and subject to change at any time. There is no minimum balance required to obtain this rate. Interest earnings realized by participants will be reduced by the program management fee and state administrative fee.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> You could lose money by investing in this Investment Option. Although the money market fund in which your investment option invests (the underlying fund) seeks to preserve the value at \$1.00 per share, it cannot guarantee it will do so. An investment in this Investment Option is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. The sponsor has no legal obligation to provide financial support to the underlying fund, and you should not expect that the sponsor will provide financial support to the underlying fund at any time.

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Trustee, Program Manager, Investment Manager, and Participants and Beneficiaries of the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

## **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying statement of net position available for benefits of the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan (the Plan) which is part of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust (the Trust), as of December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net position available for benefits, investment summary, investment detail, and related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Plan's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents for the year ended December 31, 2021.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements, including the investment summary and investment detail, present fairly, in all material respects, the respective net position of the Plan, as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in net position available for benefits, investment summary, investment detail, and related notes to the financial statements for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

## **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions

# Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

The Plan's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and 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.



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 Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives 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 auditor's report that includes our opinions. 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 GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. 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. Misstatements 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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding 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 Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- 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.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control—related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 5 and 6 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context.

We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### **Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that comprise the Plan's basic financial statements. The schedule of participant contributions and transfers in and participant distributions and transfers out is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of participant contributions and transfers in and participant distributions and transfers out is the responsibility of management and was derived from and related directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of participant contributions and transfers in and participant distributions and transfers out is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note A, the financial statements present only the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan, and are not intended to present fairly the financial position of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust as a whole and the results of its operations in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 13, 2022, on our consideration of the Plan's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Plan's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Hayes & Associates, LLC
Hayes & Associates, L.L.C.

Omaha, Nebraska April 13, 2022

#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

The Nebraska State Treasurer's Office provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of the Plan's annual financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Plan is for the year ended December 31, 2021. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the Plan's financial statements, which follow this section.

# **Using these Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Plan's financial statements, which consist of the Statement of Net Position Available for Benefits, Statement of Changes in Net Position Available for Benefits, Investment Summary, Investment Detail, and Notes to the Financial Statements. These financial statements provide information about the activities of the Plan as a whole and of the Investment Options within the Plan and are based on the accrual basis of accounting.

The financial statements are further described as follows:

The Statement of Net Positions Available for Benefits presents the assets, liabilities and net position of the Plan.

The Statement of Changes in Net Position Available for Benefit presents the income, expenses, realized and unrealized gain/loss, and ending net position as a resulting of the operations of the Plan.

The Investment Summary presents the cost basis, market value, and unrealized gain/loss on the Plan's underlying investments at the Plan level.

The Investment Detail presents the number of units, their cost basis, the price per unit, market value, and the unrealized gain/loss of the underlying investments held by the Plan in each of the Plan's Investment Options.

The Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements.

# **Financial Analysis of the Plan**

During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Plan received \$610,307,432 in contributions from participants and distributed \$640,774,864 to participants and beneficiaries. The Plan's financial activity for the year ended December 31, 2021, resulted in an increase in net position of \$116,526,694.

Condensed financial information as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the period December 5 through December 31, 2020, is as follows:

	Dec	cember 31, 2021	Dec	cember 31, 2020
Cash and investments	\$	1,485,874,043	\$	1,374,941,953
Dividends receivable		3,725,196		2,522,923
Total assets		1,489,599,239		1,377,464,876
Liabilities		3,860,490		8,252,821
Net position	\$	1,485,738,749	\$	1,369,212,055
	Fo	r the year ended		For the Period sember 5, through
		cember 31, 2021		cember 31, 2020
Additions:			-	- ,
Contributions	\$	610,307,432	\$	92,063,991
Net increase /(decrease) in fair				
value of investments		118,589,482		1,600,634
Dividends and mutual fund distributions		35,213,330		15,399,882
Transfer from prior program manager		-		1,349,308,633
Total additions		764,110,244		1,458,373,140
Deductions:				
Distributions		640,774,864		88,778,956
Administrative expenses		6,808,686		382,129
Total deductions		647,583,550		89,161,085
Net increase		116,526,694		1,369,212,055
Net position, beginning of year		1,369,212,055		_
Net position, end of year	\$	1,485,738,749	\$	1,369,212,055

Total additions decreased primarily due to the transfer in from the previous program manager during the prior period. An increase in contributions and distributions is primarily the result of a full year compared to the short reporting period December 5 through December 31, 2020.

## **CONTACTING THE NEBRASKA STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE**

This financial report is designed to present users with a general overview of the Plan's finances and to demonstrate the Plan's accountability for the funds held in custody. If you have questions about the report or need additional information, please contact the Nebraska State Treasurer's Office at their College Savings Division located in the Nebraska State Capitol, Room 2005, P.O. Box 94788, Lincoln, NE 68509-4788.

# Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust NEST Advisor College Savings Plan STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS December 31, 2021

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 2,923,725
Investments:	
Cost	1,386,150,259
Unrealized gain/loss - investments	96,800,059
Total investments	1,482,950,318
Dividends receivable	3,725,196
Total assets	1,489,599,239
LIABILITIES	
Payables:	
Distribution to plan administrator	2,054,670
Accrued expenses	1,805,820
Total liabilities	3,860,490
NET POSITION	\$ 1,485,738,749

# Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust NEST Advisor College Savings Plan STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS For the year ended December 31, 2021

Net Position - Beginning of Period	\$ 1,369,212,055
Receipts:	
Contributions/Exchanges/Transfers	610,307,432
Investment income:	
Dividends and mutual fund distributions	35,213,330
Realized gain/loss	21,789,423
Unrealized gain/loss- investments	96,800,059
Total receipts	764,110,244
Disbursements: Administrative expenses:	
Fees	
Management fee	2,111,057
State administrative fee	288,499
12b-1 fees	4,362,817
Other operating expenses	46,313
Distributions/Exchanges/Transfers	640,774,864
Total disbursements	647,583,550
Net Position - End of Period	\$ 1,485,738,749

	Cost	Market Value	Unrealized Gain/Loss
INVESTMENT DISTRIBUTION Unit of Participation	\$ 1,386,150,259	\$ 1,482,950,318	\$ 96,800,059
Total Investments	\$ 1,386,150,259	\$ 1,482,950,318	\$ 96,800,059

	97100NA Fixed Income Age-Based Conserv 17-18 A	97101NA Fund 10 Age-Based Conserv 15-16 A	97102NA Fund 20 Age-Based Conserv 13-14 A	97103NA Fund 30 Age-Based Conserv 11-12 A	97104NA Fund 40 Age-Based Conserv 09-10 A	97105NA Fund 50 Age-Based Conserv 06-08 A	97106NA Fund 60 Age-Based Conserv 03-05 A
BANK SAVINGS NE Bank Savings NELNET NE Bank Savings UBT	\$ - -	\$ -	\$ - -				
Total investment in bank savings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US	5,434,902	1,728,840	666,119	-	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	-	75,713	151,711	175,598	149,077	154,820	111,037
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth American Funds Income Vanguard Explorer	- - - -	- - - -					- - - -
Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend Total investment in U.S. equity funds	- - - -	523,644 - - - 523,644	1,030,708 - - - 1,030,708	1,811,497 - - 1,811,497	1,313,257 - - 1,313,257	1,673,825 - - 1,673,825	1,098,075 - - - 1,098,075
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market Total investment in international equity funds	- -	150,759  150,759	298,064 	608,558	489,369 	651,380	439,602
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond Fidelity US Bond Index Total investment in fixed income funds	2,171,308 - 1,631,544 3,802,852	1,654,706 - 2,109,980 3,764,686	1,847,028 - 2,217,537 4,064,565	1,876,517 - 2,564,333 4,440,850	669,295 - 1,489,326 2,158,621	538,496 - 1,428,835 1,967,331	239,631 - 647,447 887,078
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	1,629,059	1,053,372	810,007	1,103,176	430,521	194,183	52,790
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds	- -	225,706 225,706	366,568 366,568	414,094 414,094	283,341 283,341	290,890 290,890	129,296 129,296
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 10,866,813	\$ 7,522,720	\$ 7,387,742	\$ 8,553,773	\$ 4,824,186	\$ 4,932,429	\$ 2,717,878

	97107NA Fund 70 Age-Based Conserv 0-2 A	97110NA Money Market Age-Based Conserv 19+ A	97111NA Blended Fund 10 Age-Based Moderate 19+ A	97112NA Blended Fund 20 Conservative Static A	97113NA Blended Fund 30 Age-Based Moderate 15-16 A	97114NA Blended Fund 40 Age-Based Moderate 13-14 A	97115NA Blended Fund 50 Balanced Static A
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - - -	\$ - - -
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US	-	14,310,551	14,392,799	977,157	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	30,282	-	641,734	219,486	965,880	1,334,802	1,563,015
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth	- -	- -	1,254,638 - 1,254,975	324,328 - 323,397	2,351,443 - 2,338,837	2,623,279 - 2,620,815	4,045,091 - 4,005,725
American Funds Income Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index		- - -	- -	109,267	475,361	- 885,567 -	1,013,762
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend Total investment in U.S. equity funds	272,651 - - 272,651	- - - -	1,879,059 - - - 4,388,672	648,651 109,024 - - 1,514,667	4,224,935 476,899 - - 9,867,475	4,807,703 883,630 - 11,820,994	7,054,422 1,027,162 - - 17,146,162
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market Total investment in international equity funds	113,492 - - 113,492	-	1,266,204	436,066	3,320,100	4,404,936	6,603,838
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond Fidelity US Bond Index Total investment in fixed income funds	35,720 - 119,070 154,790	- - - -	5,637,488 13,753,881 5,634,666 6,265,115 31,291,150	1,088,814 2,714,234 1,088,625 1,088,347 5,980,020	4,726,930 10,383,273 4,726,109 4,724,905 24,561,217	4,377,525 6,142,924 4,374,506 4,818,495 19,713,450	5,005,434 5,484,152 4,506,431 5,002,431 19,998,448
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	-	-	8,757,614	1,185,806	6,145,308	3,949,606	1,990,615
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds	23,726 23,726 23,726	- -	1,854,935 - 1,854,935	540,324	2,355,514	2,603,264 	2,979,300 
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 594,941	\$ 14,310,551	\$ 62,593,108	\$ 10,853,526	\$ 47,215,494	\$ 43,827,052	\$ 50,281,378

	97116NA Blended Fund 60 Age-Based Moderate 09-10 A	97117NA Blended Fund 70 Age-Based Moderate 06-08 A	97118NA Blended Fund 80 Growth Static A	97119NA Blended Fund 90 Age-Based Moderate 0-2 A	97120NA Blended Fund 100 All Equity Static A	97121NA Bank Savings Static A	97130NA State Street US Govt Money Market
BANK SAVINGS NE Bank Savings NELNET NE Bank Savings UBT	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ 7,101,983 7,101,983	\$ - -
Total investment in bank savings	-	-	-	-	-	14,203,966	-
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US	-	-	-	-	-	-	15,322,675
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	1,342,443	1,670,576	9,810,887	265,278	624,827	-	-
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock	2,963,375	3,579,887	24,632,591	605,823	1,528,108	-	-
State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth American Funds Income	2,963,954	3,555,864	24,477,985 -	605,510	1,525,488 -	- - -	- - -
Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index	994,349 - 5,277,862	985,482 - 5,855,288	5,757,831 - 39,674,341	173,665 - 1,039,673	408,313 - 2,752,330	-	-
Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend	1,001,701	989,734 -	5,949,920	174,844	409,886	- - -	- - -
Total investment in U.S. equity funds	13,201,241	14,966,255	100,492,668	2,599,515	6,624,125	-	-
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market Total investment in international equity funds	5,317,940 - 5,317,940	6,223,825	41,428,818	1,047,585 - 1,047,585	2,982,448	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
• •	3,317,940	0,223,823	41,420,010	1,047,363	2,962,446	-	-
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond Fidelity US Bond Index Total investment in fixed income funds	2,658,308 2,983,946 2,657,846 2,657,171 10,957,271	2,263,506 1,932,416 1,936,558 2,262,536 8,395,016	7,260,939 7,244,141 7,271,429 9,145,499 30,922,008	86,931 86,731 86,916 130,548 391,126		- - - -	- - - -
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	663,165	-	-	-	-	-	-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds	1,657,456 - 1,657,456	1,281,180 - 1,281,180	5,367,849	43,176 - 43,176	- - -	- - -	- - -
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 33,139,516	\$ 32,536,852	\$ 188,022,230	\$ 4,346,680	\$ 10,231,400	\$ 14,203,966	\$ 15,322,675

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BANK SAVINGS NE Bank Savings NELNET NE Bank Savings UBT	\$	- -	\$	- -	\$	- -	\$	- -	\$	- -	\$	- -	\$	<u>-</u>
Total investment in bank savings MONEY MARKET FUNDS		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
State Street US		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock State Street Equity 500 Index		- -		-		- -		- -		- -		- -		-
T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth American Funds Income		-		-		-		-		-		-		3,271,997
Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
Total investment in U.S. equity funds						-			-	-				3,271,997
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International		-		_		_		-		-		-		_
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market	-													
Total investment in international equity funds		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond		-		-		-		-		7,554,617		-		-
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond		-		4,959,166 -		-		3,154,289		-		-		-
Fidelity US Bond Index Total investment in fixed income funds	-	-		4,959,166	-	3,854,008 3,854,008	-	3,154,289		7,554,617		<u> </u>		<u> </u>
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected		2,059,369		-		-		-		-		-		-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds		- -		<u>-</u>		- -		<u>-</u>		- - -		517,429		<u>-</u>
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TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$	2,059,369	\$	4,959,166	\$	3,854,008	\$	3,154,289	\$	7,554,617	\$	517,429	\$	3,271,997

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BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth	32	- 2,098,349 -		- - -		15,482,693		- - -		- - 42,942,624		- - -		- - -
American Funds Income Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap		- - -		32,756,606		- - -		- - -		- - - -		16,213,804 -		- - - - 8,838,461
SPDR S&P Dividend  Total investment in U.S. equity funds	32	2,098,349		32,756,606		15,482,693		10,209,933 10,209,933		42,942,624		16,213,804		8,838,461
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market Total investment in international equity funds		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -
FIXED INCOME FUNDS  MetWest Total Return Bond  Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index  PGIM Total Return Bond  Fidelity US Bond Index  Total investment in fixed income funds		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected		-		-		-		-		_		-		-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 32	2,098,349	\$	32,756,606	\$	15,482,693	\$	10,209,933	\$	42,942,624	\$	16,213,804	\$	8,838,461

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BANK SAVINGS NE Bank Savings NELNET NE Bank Savings UBT Total investment in bank savings	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF		-		5,571,631		-		-		15,035		641		14,761
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth American Funds Income Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend Total investment in U.S. equity funds  INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International		- - - 5,455,697 - - - 5,455,697		- - - - - - - -		- - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -				128,337 - 128,337 - 128,337		- - - - 5,797 - - 5,797		- - - - 137,700 - 137,700 53,317
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market Total investment in international equity funds		<del>-</del>		-		17,338,030		4,729,449 4,729,449		53,205		2,412		53,317
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond Fidelity US Bond Index Total investment in fixed income funds		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -		15,926 - 52,936 68,862		760 - 2,532 3,292		29,080 - 78,213 107,293
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected		_		-		-		-		-		-		6,495
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		10,219 10,219		505 505		- 15,849 15,849
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 1	6,455,697	\$	5,571,631	\$	17,338,030	\$	4,729,449	\$	275,658	\$	12,647	\$	335,415

	97163NA Fund 60 Age-Based Cons 03-05 O		97164NA Fund 50 Age-Based Cons 06-08 C1	97165NA Fund 50 Age-Based Cons 06-08 C-F	97166NA Fund 40 Age-Based Cons 09-10 C1	97167NA Fund 40 Age-Based Cons 09-10 C-F	97168NA Fund 30 Age-Based Cons 11-12 C1	97169NA Fund 30 Age-Based Cons 11-12 C-F
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$	· ·	\$ - - -	\$ - -	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ - - -
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US			-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	4,3	90	15,552	4,383	12,512	1,930	13,141	2,882
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth American Funds Income Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend Total investment in U.S. equity funds	43,1		- - - - - 172,791 - - 172,791	48,973 	107,343	- - - - - 16,898 - - - 16,898	130,648	29,802 - - 29,802
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market Total investment in international equity funds	17,3	<u> </u>	66,474  66,474	18,790 - 18,790	40,362	6,327	43,350	10,002
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond Fidelity US Bond Index Total investment in fixed income funds	9,5 25,5 35,7	178	54,800 	15,842 - 41,802 57,644	56,070 - 123,982 180,052	8,824 	132,009 - 180,502 312,511	30,599 - 41,803 72,402
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	2,1	71	19,734	5,757	35,370	5,689	77,641	18,028
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds	5,3 5,3		28,804 28,804	8,599 8,599	22,983 22,983	3,758 3,758	28,760 28,760	6,746 6,746
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 108,1	61	\$ 502,469	\$ 144,146	\$ 398,622	\$ 62,968	\$ 606,051	\$ 139,862

	97170NA Fund 20 Age-Based Cons 13-14 C1	97171NA Fund 20 Age-Based Cons 13-14 C-F	97172NA Fund 10 Age-Based Cons 15-16 C1	97173NA Fund 10 Age-Based Cons 15-16 C-F	97174NA Fixed Income Age-Based Cons 17-18 C1	97175NA Fixed Income Age-Based Cons 17-18 C-F	97176NA Money Market Age-Based Cons 19+ C1
BANK SAVINGS NE Bank Savings NELNET NE Bank Savings UBT	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - -
Total investment in bank savings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US	42,961	17,882	189,542	60,543	787,204	165,865	1,817,303
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	9,891	4,097	8,585	2,702	-	-	-
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock State Street Equity 500 Index			- -		-	- -	- -
T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth American Funds Income Vanguard Explorer	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend	67,354	28,276	57,696 -	18,793	-	- -	- - -
Total investment in U.S. equity funds	67,354	28,276	57,696	18,793	-		
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market	19,522	8,108	16,768	5,360	-	-	- -
Total investment in international equity funds	19,522	8,108	16,768	5,360	-	-	-
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index	- 118,915	- 49,504	- 182,174	- 57,920	314,138	- 65,076	- -
PGIM Total Return Bond Fidelity US Bond Index Total investment in fixed income funds	142,591 261,506	59,557 109,061	231,756 413,930	73,727 131,647	235,545 549,683	48,898 113,974	- - -
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	51,815	21,679	115,750	36,931	236,324	48,824	-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds	23,195 23,195	9,746 9,746	24,173 24,173	- 7,777 7,777	- - -	- - -	- - -
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 476,244	\$ 198,849	\$ 826,444	\$ 263,753	\$ 1,573,211	\$ 328,663	\$ 1,817,303

	97177NA Money Market Age-Based Cons 19+ C-F	97178NA Blended Fund 100 All Equity Static C1	97179NA Blended Fund 100 Age-Based Agg 0-2 A	97180NA Blended Fund 100 Age-Based Agg 0-2 C1	97181NA Blended Fund 100 Age-Based Agg 0-2 C-F	97182NA Blended Fund 90 Age-Based Mod 0-2 C1	97183NA Blended Fund 90 Age-Based Agg 03-05 A
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - - -
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US	421,183	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	-	28,736	518,673	22,967	194,823	18,729	1,625,308
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock State Street Equity 500 Index	-	68,902	1,274,345	56,638	480,735	43,116	3,717,613
T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth American Funds Income Vanguard Explorer	-	67,582 - 17,818	1,274,572 - 341,133	56,658 - 15,174	480,719 - 128,755	42,222 - 12,139	3,710,701 - 1,071,601
Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap	-	123,572 18,243	2,297,606 340,898	102,107 15,138	866,563 128,510	73,938 12,427	6,372,518 1,074,785
SPDR S&P Dividend Total investment in U.S. equity funds		296,117	5,528,554	245,715	2,085,282	183,842	15,947,218
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market	-	132,369	2,486,600	110,516	937,709	73,769	6,420,966
Total investment in international equity funds	-	132,369	2,486,600	110,516	937,709	73,769	6,420,966
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond Fidelity US Bond Index Total investment in fixed income funds	- - -	- - -			- - - - -	6,061 6,024 6,061 9,005 27,151	531,405 530,185 531,312 798,812 2,391,714
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds	- - -	- -			- - -	3,071	263,161 
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 421,183	\$ 457,222	\$ 8,533,827	\$ 379,198	\$ 3,217,814	\$ 306,562	\$ 26,648,367

	97184NA Blended Fund 90 Age-Based Agg 03-05 C1	97185NA Blended Fund 90 Age-Based Agg 03-05 C-F	97186NA Blended Fund 80 Growth Static C1	97187NA Blended Fund 80 Age-Based Mod 03-05 A	97188NA Blended Fund 80 Age-Based Mod 03-05 C1	97189NA Blended Fund 80 Age-Based Agg 06-08 A	97190NA Blended Fund 80 Age-Based Agg 06-08 C1
BANK SAVINGS NE Bank Savings NELNET NE Bank Savings UBT	\$ - -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - -
Total investment in bank savings	-	-	-	-	-	-	
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	157,897	192,378	576,979	868,168	104,299	2,263,769	174,772
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock State Street Equity 500 Index	363,784	442,934	1,460,787	2,195,860	265,300	5,727,297 -	442,431
T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth American Funds Income	361,819	442,996	1,444,641 -	2,177,973	263,872	5,672,971	436,992
Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index	103,614	127,123	336,596	506,831	62,345	1,325,140	101,902
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend	621,294 103,988	760,448 126,855	2,354,050 347,522	3,540,371 510,717	428,042 62,835	9,221,490 1,332,755	713,490 105,201
Total investment in U.S. equity funds	1,554,499	1,900,356	5,943,596	8,931,752	1,082,394	23,279,653	1,800,016
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International	626,016	766,214	2,485,981	3,741,451	451,752	9,722,660	752,709
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market	-	-	- 2 405 001		- 451.550		
Total investment in international equity funds	626,016	766,214	2,485,981	3,741,451	451,752	9,722,660	752,709
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond	51,900	63,860	438,072	670,797	79,741	1,739,341	132,849
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond	51,781 51,891	63,713 63,848	437,387 438,855	669,598 670,679	79,513 79,748	1,735,330 1,739,038	132,570 132,910
Fidelity US Bond Index Total investment in fixed income funds	77,967 233,539	95,749 287,170	547,682 1,861,996	840,088 2,851,162	99,423 338,425	2,179,871 7,393,580	166,501 564,830
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index	25,751	31,868	326,952	500,161	59,227	1,295,372	99,012
Total investment in international fixed income funds	25,751	31,868	326,952	500,161	59,227	1,295,372	99,012
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 2,597,702	\$ 3,177,986	\$ 11,195,504	\$ 16,892,694	\$ 2,036,097	\$ 43,955,034	\$ 3,391,339

	97191NA Blended Fund 80 Age-Based Agg 06-08 C-F	97192NA Blended Fund 70 Age-Based Mod 06-08 C1	97193NA Diended Fund 70 Age-Based Agg 09-10 A	97194NA Blended Fund 70 Age-Based Agg 09-10 C1	97195NA Blended Fund 70 Age-Based Agg 09-10 C-F	97196NA Blended Fund 60 Age-Based Mod 09-10 C1	97197NA Blended Fund 60 Age-Based Agg 11-12 A
BANK SAVINGS NE Bank Savings NELNET	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
NE Bank Savings UBT Total investment in bank savings		. <u>-</u>		<u> </u>	<u> </u>		
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MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	405,194	161,638	3 1,730,135	95,663	126,810	105,619	1,654,687
	105,171	101,030	1,750,155	75,005	120,010	103,019	1,03 1,007
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock	1,039,558	351,796	3,744,010	207,188	275,285	234,729	3,652,146
State Street Equity 500 Index	-	-	-	207,100	-	-	5,052,140
T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth	1,039,696	347,224	3,731,115	205,782	275,322	233,812	3,653,044
American Funds Income	- 240.077	-	- 1.022.002	-	-	-	1 220 150
Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index	240,977	96,263	1,022,093	57,759	75,416	79,471	1,230,158
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index	1,681,785	570,131	6,122,753	337,776	451,136	415,103	6,489,544
Northern Small Cap	240,472	96,981		58,137	75,257	80,202	1,231,534
SPDR S&P Dividend	-	-	<u> </u>	-			
Total investment in U.S. equity funds	4,242,488	1,462,395	15,649,513	866,642	1,152,416	1,043,317	16,256,426
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS							
Fidelity Total International	1,775,221	605,628	6,502,825	359,102	479,809	417,090	6,539,066
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market	1 775 221	- (05.626	- (502.925	250 102	470.000	417.000	- (520.066
Total investment in international equity funds	1,775,221	605,628	6,502,825	359,102	479,809	417,090	6,539,066
FIXED INCOME FUNDS	*** ***			400.000			
MetWest Total Return Bond	322,810	218,340		128,032	176,795	201,353	3,241,856
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond	322,069 322,753	186,277 186,602	, ,	109,333 109,467	151,191 151,512	226,199 201,374	3,651,127 3,239,623
Fidelity US Bond Index	403,341	218,246		128,032	176,720	201,239	3,241,855
Total investment in fixed income funds	1,370,973	809,465		474,864	656,218	830,165	13,374,461
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS							
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	-	-	-	-	-	49,782	793,723
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income	241,641	123,449	1,362,649	72,026	100,831	124,220	2,008,718
Vanguard Total International Bond Index	2 <del>4</del> 1,041	123,445	1,302,049	-	100,831	124,220	2,000,718
Total investment in international fixed income funds	241,641	123,449	1,362,649	72,026	100,831	124,220	2,008,718
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 8,035,517	\$ 3,162,575	\$ 34,125,791	\$ 1,868,297	\$ 2,516,084	\$ 2,570,193	\$ 40,627,081

	97198NA Blended Fund 60 Age-Based Agg 11-12 C1	97199NA Blended Fund 60 Age-Based Agg 11-12 C-F	97600NA Blended Fund 50 Balanced Static C1	97601NA Blended Fund 50 Age-Based Mod 11-12 A	97602NA Blended Fund 50 Age-Based Mod 11-12 C1	97603NA Blended Fund 50 Age-Based Agg 13-14 A	97604NA Blended Fund 50 Age-Based Agg 13-14 C1
BANK SAVINGS NE Bank Savings NELNET NE Bank Savings UBT	\$ - -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ - -
Total investment in bank savings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	74,614	92,776	126,487	1,246,156	79,489	1,533,054	109,481
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock	165,490	206,004	329,617	3,224,785	210,159	3,961,808	288,125
State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth American Funds Income	165,622	206,015	329,689	3,202,098	210,276	3,947,528	288,125
Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index	55,442	68,973	83,193	816,379	53,273	1,006,942	72,349
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend	294,704 55,278	366,766 68,833	576,275 84,032	5,627,032 822,309	364,938 53,618	6,921,976 1,011,076	504,951 72,195
Total investment in U.S. equity funds	736,536	916,591	1,402,806	13,692,603	892,264	16,849,330	1,225,745
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International	297,053	369,526	539,330	5,267,300	341,549	6,475,834	472,391
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market	-				<u> </u>		-
Total investment in international equity funds	297,053	369,526	539,330	5,267,300	341,549	6,475,834	472,391
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond	148,548	184,785	411,621	3,995,570	255,352	4,949,926	363,406
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond	166,714 148,523	207,411 184,753	451,267 370,337	4,391,403 3,594,013	280,318 229,386	5,434,536 4,451,988	398,852 327,007
Fidelity US Bond Index	148,481	184,708	411,622	3,995,524	255,176	4,947,810	363,257
Total investment in fixed income funds	612,266	761,657	1,644,847	15,976,510	1,020,232	19,784,260	1,452,522
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	37,060	46,107	162,874	1,580,112	99,975	1,962,989	145,086
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index	92,654	115,271	245,020	2,375,354	151,400	2,955,474	217,633
Total investment in international fixed income funds	92,654	115,271	245,020	2,375,354	151,400	2,955,474	217,633
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 1,850,183	\$ 2,301,928	\$ 4,121,364	\$ 40,138,035	\$ 2,584,909	\$ 49,560,941	\$ 3,622,858

	97605NA Blended Fund 50 Age-Based Agg 13-14 C-F	97606NA Blended Fund 40 Age-Based Mod 13-14 C1	97607NA Blended Fund 40 Age-Based Agg 15-16 A	97608NA Blended Fund 40 Age-Based Agg 15-16 C1	97609NA Blended Fund 40 Age-Based Agg 15-16 C-F	97610NA Blended Fund 30 Age-Based Mod 15-16 C1	97611NA Blended Fund 30 Age-Based Agg 17-18 A
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -
Total investment in bank savings	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS							
Vanguard Real Estate ETF	120,148	106,289	1,836,881	119,997	80,030	79,337	1,436,111
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock	314,483	209,131	3,638,891	234,439	157,584	191,226	3,509,750
State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth	314,541	209,206	3,669,825	233,592	- 157,610	- 189,477	3,510,563
American Funds Income	-	-	3,007,023	-	-	107,477	-
Vanguard Explorer	79,073	70,416	1,212,876	79,138	52,750	39,278	716,539
Vanguard Extended Market Index	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index	551,244	383,545	6,672,682	428,515	289,357	342,119	6,309,835
Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend	79,017	70,251	1,220,971	79,720	52,763	39,588	720,482
Total investment in U.S. equity funds	1,338,358	942,549	16,415,245	1,055,404	710,064	801,688	14,767,169
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INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International	515,759	351,409	6,080,617	392,573	265,048	269,114	4,949,961
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market	313,/39	331,409	0,080,017	392,373	203,048	209,114	4,949,961
Total investment in international equity funds	515,759	351,409	6,080,617	392,573	265,048	269,114	4,949,961
FIXED INCOME FUNDS							
MetWest Total Return Bond	396,770	350,819	5,921,278	387,204	265,084	383,159	7,016,224
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index	435,449	490,661	8,280,166	542,691	370,272	841,931	15,432,679
PGIM Total Return Bond	357,021	350,224	5,915,970	387,138	265,037	383,092	7,012,730
Fidelity US Bond Index	396,600	385,398	6,512,391	426,032	291,470	382,995	7,015,223
Total investment in fixed income funds	1,585,840	1,577,102	26,629,805	1,743,065	1,191,863	1,991,177	36,476,856
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	158,436	312,551	5,290,452	348,539	238,108	497,361	9,120,861
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS							
DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income	237,564	209,243	3,517,745	230,716	158,733	190,824	3,477,932
Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds	237,564	209,243	3,517,745	230,716	158,733	190,824	3,477,932
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 3,956,105	\$ 3,499,143	\$ 59,770,745	\$ 3,890,294	\$ 2,643,846	\$ 3,829,501	\$ 70,228,890

	97612NA Blended Fund Age-Based Agg 17-18 C		97613NA Blended Fund 30 Age-Based Agg 17-18 C-F		Blended Fund 30 Age-Based		Blended Fund 30 Age-Based		Blended Fund 30 Blended Fund 30 Blended Fund 30 Blended Blended Fund 30 Blende		97614NA nded Fund 20 onservative Static C1	97615NA Blended Fund 20 Age-Based Mod 17-18 A	Ble	97616NA nded Fund 20 Age-Based od 17-18 C1	97617NA Blended Fund 20 Age-Based Agg 19+ A	Blen	07618NA ided Fund 20 age-Based gg 19+ C1
BANK SAVINGS NE Bank Savings NELNET	\$ -	9	5 -	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$ -	\$	_						
NE Bank Savings UBT																	
Total investment in bank savings	-		-		-	-		-	-		-						
MONEY MARKET FUNDS																	
State Street US	-		-		92,001	5,027,113		396,673	8,278,037		430,087						
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS																	
Vanguard Real Estate ETF	93,7	52	73,368		20,789	1,152,704		89,081	1,889,210		96,939						
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS																	
Dodge & Cox Stock	228,4	39	181,890		30,635	1,690,189		131,643	2,775,595		142,993						
State Street Equity 500 Index	-		-		-	-		-	-		-						
T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth	228,4	39	182,464		30,344	1,679,911		131,673	2,776,351		142,363						
American Funds Income	47.0		26,002		-			-	- 0.40.202		-						
Vanguard Explorer	47,0	14	36,893		10,233	570,643		44,336	949,203		48,311						
Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index	409,8	12	326,604		61,210	3,364,681		263,308	5,519,247		285,793						
Northern Small Cap	47,0		37,132		10,266	574,830		44,236	954,490		48,278						
SPDR S&P Dividend			-		-	-		-	-		-						
Total investment in U.S. equity funds	960,8	4	764,983		142,688	7,880,254		615,196	12,974,886	-	667,738						
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS																	
Fidelity Total International	321,7	12	255,111		41,220	2,266,782		177,006	3,721,259		192,190						
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market	-		-		-	-		-	-		-						
Total investment in international equity funds	321,7	12	255,111		41,220	2,266,782		177,006	3,721,259		192,190						
FIXED INCOME FUNDS																	
MetWest Total Return Bond	452,7	8	364,743		102,656	5,604,066		442,004	9,167,867		478,339						
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index	1,000,0		801,285		256,540	14,004,665		1,101,879	22,895,935		1,194,750						
PGIM Total Return Bond	452,4		364,679		102,585	5,603,096		441,928	9,158,642		478,008						
Fidelity US Bond Index	452,7		364,587		102,656	5,601,668		441,815	9,156,516		478,340						
Total investment in fixed income funds	2,357,9	00	1,895,294		564,437	30,813,495		2,427,626	50,378,960		2,629,437						
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS																	
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	591,0	36	473,416		112,998	6,164,998		481,708	10,040,621		521,386						
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS																	
DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income	224,0	58	181,727		51,130	2,787,647		218,931	4,530,182		238,030						
Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds	224,0	58	181,727		51,130	2,787,647		218,931	4,530,182		238,030						
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TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 4,549,3	78 5	3,643,899	\$	1,025,263	\$ 56,092,993	\$	4,406,221	\$ 91,813,155	\$	4,775,807						

	97619NA Blended Fund 20 Age-Based Agg 19+ C-F	97620NA Blended Fund 10 Age-Based Mod 19+ C1	97621NA Blended Fund 10 Age-Based Mod 19+ C-F	97622NA Bank Savings Static C1	97623NA Bank Savings Static C-F	97624NA Vanguard ST Infl Protected TIPS C1	97625NA Vanguard ST Infl Protected TIPS C-F
BANK SAVINGS NE Bank Savings NELNET NE Bank Savings UBT	\$ - -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,237,915 1,237,914	\$ 333,484 333,485	\$ -	\$ -
Total investment in bank savings	-	-	-	2,475,829	666,969	-	-
MONEY MARKET FUNDS							
State Street US	319,748	1,272,228	404,278	-	-	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	71,250	56,170	17,363	-	-	-	-
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock	105,089	110,076	34,262	-	-	-	-
State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth	105,108	110,099	34,268	-	-	-	-
American Funds Income	105,106	-	34,208	-	-	-	-
Vanguard Explorer	35,175	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanguard Extended Market Index	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index	210,515 35,144	165,391	51,470	-	-	-	-
Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend	35,144	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total investment in U.S. equity funds	491,031	385,566	120,000				
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS							
Fidelity Total International	141,404	111,083	34,574	-	-	-	-
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market							
Total investment in international equity funds	141,404	111,083	34,574	-	-	-	-
FIXED INCOME FUNDS							
MetWest Total Return Bond	353,590	500,122	155,605	-	-	-	-
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index	881,968	1,219,773	379,492	-	-	-	-
PGIM Total Return Bond Fidelity US Bond Index	353,528 353,439	500,035 555,459	155,578 172,821	-	-	-	-
Total investment in fixed income funds	1,942,525	2,775,389	863,496				
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected	388,192	776,682	241,581	_	_	342,096	169,480
	300,172	770,002	271,301	_	_	342,070	102,400
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index	176,442	166,350	51,768	-	-	-	-
Total investment in international fixed income funds	176,442	166,350	51,768				
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 3,530,592	\$ 5,543,468	\$ 1,733,060	\$ 2,475,829	\$ 666,969	\$ 342,096	\$ 169,480

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BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$		\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	<u>-</u>
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth American Funds Income Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend Total investment in U.S. equity funds		- - - - - - - -		- - - - - - - -		- - - - - - - -		- - - - - - - -				- - - - - - - - -		331,890 - - - - - 331,890
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market Total investment in international equity funds		- - -		- - -		- - -		<u>-</u> -		- - -		- - -		- - -
FIXED INCOME FUNDS  MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond Fidelity US Bond Index Total investment in fixed income funds		341,892 - - 341,892		212,392 - - 212,392		712,735 - - - - 712,735		255,840 - - - - 255,840		- - - -		- - - - -		- - - -
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		34,764 - 34,764		8,297 - 8,297		- - -
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$	341,892	\$	212,392	\$	712,735	\$	255,840	\$	34,764	\$	8,297	\$	331,890

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BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	<u>-</u>	\$	- -	\$	<u>.</u>	\$	-	\$	-	\$	<u>-</u>
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth American Funds Income		- - - 279,930		3,198,295		- 1,465,782 -		- - -		- - -		1,406,360		821,843 - -
Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend		279,930 - - - - -		- - - -		- - - -		2,687,130		1,045,697		- - - -		- - - -
Total investment in U.S. equity funds INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS		279,930		3,198,295		1,465,782		2,687,130		1,045,697		1,406,360		821,843
Fidelity Total International Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market Total investment in international equity funds		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -				<u>-</u>		- -
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond Fidelity US Bond Index Total investment in fixed income funds		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -		- - - - -		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected		-		-		-		-		-		-		-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$	279,930	\$	3,198,295	\$	1,465,782	\$	2,687,130	\$	1,045,697	\$	1,406,360	\$	821,843

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BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$							
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US		-		-		-		-		-		-		-						
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF		-		-		-		-		-		-		555,251						
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth American Funds Income Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend Total investment in U.S. equity funds		- - - - - - - 1,218,532 1,218,532		- - - - - - - 822,090 822,090		3,316,608		1,854,986 - - - - - - - 1,854,986		1,516,903		491,354 - - 491,354		- - - - - - - - -						
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market Total investment in international equity funds		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -	_	- - -		- - -		- - -						
FIXED INCOME FUNDS MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond Fidelity US Bond Index Total investment in fixed income funds		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -						
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected		-		-		-		-		-		-		-						
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -		- - -						
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$	1,218,532	\$	822,090	\$	3,316,608	\$	1,854,986	\$	1,516,903	\$	491,354	\$	555,251						

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BANK SAVINGS NE Bank Savings NELNET NE Bank Savings UBT Total investment in bank savings	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$	- -	\$	8,673,382 8,673,382 17,346,764
MONEY MARKET FUNDS State Street US		-		-		-		72,555,691
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF		188,172		-		-		47,341,452
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS Dodge & Cox Stock State Street Equity 500 Index T Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth American Funds Income Vanguard Explorer Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Northern Small Cap SPDR S&P Dividend Total investment in U.S. equity funds								109,736,216 36,762,426 139,761,718 3,883,817 40,360,061 18,222,061 202,256,573 33,034,788 12,250,555 596,268,215
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS Fidelity Total International Vanguard FTSE Emerging Market Total investment in international equity funds		- - -		698,320 698,320		238,708 238,708		172,719,668 5,666,477 178,386,145
FIXED INCOME FUNDS  MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index PGIM Total Return Bond Fidelity US Bond Index Total investment in fixed income funds		- - - -		- - - - -		- - - -		94,676,712 158,271,909 87,000,810 108,633,995 448,583,426
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected		-		-		-		71,855,059
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex US Gov't Fixed Income Vanguard Total International Bond Index Total investment in international fixed income funds		- - -		- - -		- - -	_	48,683,435 1,930,131 50,613,566
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$	188,172	\$	698,320	\$	238,708	\$	1,482,950,318

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

## 1. Reporting Entity

The Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust (the Trust), established on January 1, 2001, is designed to qualify as a tax-advantaged qualified tuition program under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The NEST Advisor College Savings Plan (the Plan) is part of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust. The Trust was established in accordance with Nebraska Legislative Bill 1003 (the Act), as amended, to encourage the investment of funds to be used for qualified higher education expenses at eligible educational institutions. The Trust is comprised of three funds: the Expense Fund, the Administrative Fund, and the Program Fund. The Plan is a series of the Program Fund of the Trust. The Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan (formerly known as the TD Ameritrade 529 College Savings Plan), the NEST Direct College Savings Plan, and the State Farm 529 Savings Plan are a separate class of accounts in the Trust and are not included in the accompanying financial statements. The Expense Fund and the Administrative Fund are also not included in the accompanying financial statements. Accounts in the Plan have not been registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or with any state securities commission pursuant to exemptions from registration available for securities issued by a public instrumentality of a state.

The financial statements presented reflect only the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan Series as part of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust and are not intended to present fairly the financial position of the Trust as a whole and the results of its operations in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Act authorizes and appoints the Nebraska State Treasurer as Trustee and responsible for the overall administration of the Plan. The State Treasurer has entered into a management contract with Union Bank and Trust Company (the Program Manager). Under the contract, the Program Manager provides day-to-day administrative and recordkeeping services to the Plan. The Program Manager provides separate accounting for each beneficiary. In addition, the Program Manager administers and maintains overall trust and individual accounts records.

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

## 1. Reporting Entity – Continued

The Plan is comprised of Age-Based Investment Options, Static Investment Options, and Individual Fund Investment Options. The Age-Based and Static Investment Options invest in specified allocations of domestic equity, real estate, international equity, fixed income and money market Underlying Investments. The Individual Fund Investment Options invest in a single Underlying Investment or, in the case of the Bank Savings Static Investment Option, an FDIC-insured bank account. The Investment Options and Underlying Investments have been selected and approved by the Nebraska Investment Council.

Participants in the Plan may designate their accounts be invested in Aged-Based Investment Options designed to reduce the exposure to principal loss the closer in age the beneficiary is to college, Static Investment Options that keep the same asset allocation between equity, real estate, fixed income, money market Underlying Investments, or in Individual Fund Investment Options.

## 2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The financial statements include the statement of net position available for benefits, statement of changes in net position available for benefits, investment summary and investment detail. The statement of net position available for benefits is a measure of the account's assets and liabilities at the close of the year. The statement of changes in net position available for benefits shows purchases to and redemptions from the account, as well as additions and deductions due to operations during the fiscal year. The investment summary and investment detail reports show summary of all investments at cost and market value and the detail listing of all investments, respectively.

## NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

## 3. Security Valuation

Investments in the Underlying Investments are valued at the closing net asset or unit value per share of each Underlying Investment on the day of valuation. The Plan calculates the net asset value of its shares based upon the net asset value of the applicable Underlying Investments, as of the close of the New York Stock Exchange (the Exchange), normally 3:00 P.M. Central time, on each day the Exchange is open for business. The net asset values of the Underlying Investments are determined as of the close of the Exchange, on each day the Exchange is open for trading.

# 4. Security Transactions and Investment Income

Security transactions are recorded on an average cost basis unless a client requests an alternative method on the trade date. Realized gains and losses on security transaction are determined on the cost basis on the disposition of assets. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date or upon ex-dividend notification.

#### 5. Contributions, Withdrawals, and Distributions

Contributions by a participant are evidenced through the issuance of units in the particular Investment Option. Contributions to and withdrawals from the Investment Options are subject to terms and limitations defined in the Program Disclosure Statement and Participation Agreement between the participant and the Plan. Contributions received by the Program Manager before the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange on any business day are credited to the account to which the contribution is made within one business day.

Withdrawals are based on the unit price calculated for each Investment Option on the business day on which the Program Manager processes the withdrawal request. The earnings portion (if any) of a non-qualified withdrawal will be treated as ordinary income to the recipient and may also be subject to an additional 10% federal tax, as well as partial recapture of any Nebraska state income tax deduction previously claimed.

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

## 6. Plan Expenses and Fees

Expenses included in the accompanying financial statements reflect the expenses of the Plan. The Underlying Investment expenses are factored into the daily net asset value for each respective Underlying Investment. As such, each Investment Option indirectly bears its proportional share of the fees and expenses of the Underlying Investments in which it invests.

The plan expenses and fees are as follows:

- Program management fee is equal to 0.15% of the average daily net position in each Investment Option.
- Annual Account Servicing fee is equal to 0.25% of the average daily net position for Fee Structure A, 0.50% for Fee Structure C, 1.00% for Fee Structure C-1, and 0.0% for Fee Structure F in each Investment Option.
- State administration fees equal to 0.02% of the average daily net position in each Investment Option.

Underlying Investment fees - each Investment Option also indirectly bears its pro rata share of the fees and expenses of the Underlying Investments. Although these expenses and fees are not charged to the accounts, they will reduce the investment returns realized by each Investment Option. The Underlying Investment fees range from 0.025% to 0.56%.

These fees are accrued daily as a percentage of average daily net position and will be deducted from each Investment Option. These fees will reduce the value of an account.

#### 7. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting year. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

## 8. Income Taxes

The Program has been designed to comply with the requirements for treatment as a qualified tuition program under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is required.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS

All investments have some degree of risks. The value of the Plan's accounts may vary depending on market conditions, the performance of the investment options selected, timing of purchases, and fees. The value of the Plan's accounts could be more or less than the amount contributed to the accounts. The Plan's investments may lose money.

Investments in the Plan are not guaranteed or insured by the FDIC, the SIPC, the State of Nebraska, the Nebraska Investment Council, the Nebraska State Treasurer, Union Bank and Trust Company or its authorized agents or their affiliates, or any other federal or state entity or person.

FDIC insurance is provided for the Bank Savings Static Investment Option Underlying Investment only, which is an investment in an FDIC-insured omnibus bank account held in trust by the Plan at Union Bank and Trust Company and Nelnet Bank.

# Each Investment Option and Underlying Investment has Risks

Each of the Investment Options and Underlying Investments are subject to certain risks that may affect performance. Set forth below is a list of the major risks applicable to the Investment Options and Underlying Investments. Such list is not an exhaustive list and there are other risks which are not defined below. See the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan Program Disclosure Statement "Exhibit B – Investment Options and Underlying Investments" and the respective prospectuses of the Underlying Investments for a description of the risks associated with the Underlying Investments in which the Investment Options invest.

Market risk. Market risk is the risk that the prices of securities will decline overall. Securities markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising and falling prices. Securities prices change every business day, based on investor reactions to economic, political, market, industry, corporate and other developments. At times, these price changes may be rapid and dramatic. Some factors may affect the market as a whole, while others affect particular industries, firms or sizes or types of securities.

<u>Interest rate risk</u>. Interest rate risk is the risk that securities prices will decline due to rising interest rates. A rise in interest rates typically causes bond prices to fall. Bonds with longer maturities and lower credit quality tend to be more sensitive to changes in interest rates, as are mortgage-backed bonds. Short- and long-term interest rates do not necessarily move the same amount or in the same direction.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - CONTINUED

Money market investments are also affected by interest rates, particularly short-term rates, but in the opposite way: when short-term interest rates fall, money market yields usually fall as well. Bonds that can be paid off before maturity, such as mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities, tend to be more volatile than other types of debt securities with respect to interest rate changes.

<u>Income risk.</u> Income risk is the chance that a fund's income will decline because of falling interest rates. Income risk is generally high for short-term bond funds, so investors should expect the fund's monthly income to fluctuate.

<u>Income fluctuations.</u> Income distributions on the inflation-protected funds are likely to fluctuate considerably more than the income distributions of a typical bond fund. Income fluctuations associated with changes in interest rates are expected to be low; however, income fluctuations associated with changes in inflation are expected to be high. Overall, investors can expect income fluctuations to be high for an inflation-protected fund.

<u>Foreign investment risk.</u> Investment in foreign stocks and bonds may be more risky than investments in domestic stocks and bonds. Foreign stocks and bonds tend to be more volatile, and may be less liquid, than their U.S. counterparts. The reasons for such volatility can include greater political and social instability, lower market liquidity, higher costs, less stringent investor protections, and inferior information on issuer finances. In addition, the dollar value of most foreign currencies changes daily. All these risks tend to be higher in emerging markets than in developed markets.

Asset-backed securities risk. An Investment Option's performance could suffer to the extent the Underlying Investments are exposed to asset-backed securities, including mortgage-backed securities. Asset-backed securities are subject to early amortization due to amortization or payout events that cause the security to payoff prematurely. Under those circumstances, an Underlying Investment may not be able to reinvest the proceeds of the payoff at a yield that is as high as that which the asset-backed security paid. In addition, asset-backed securities are subject to fluctuations in interest rates that may affect their yield or the prepayment rates on the underlying assets.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - CONTINUED

Derivatives risk. Certain of the Underlying Investments may utilize derivatives. There are certain investment risks in using derivatives, including futures contracts, options on futures, interest rate swaps and structured notes. If an Underlying Investment incorrectly forecasts interest rates in using derivatives, the Underlying Investment and any Investment Option invested in it could lose money. Price movements of a futures contract, option or structured notes may not be identical to price movements of portfolio securities or a securities index, resulting in the risk that, when an underlying investment fund buys a futures contract or option as a hedge, the hedge may not be completely effective. The use of these management techniques also involves the risk of loss if the advisor to an Underlying Investment is incorrect in its expectation of fluctuations in securities prices, interest rates or currency prices. Investments in derivatives may be illiquid, difficult to price and result in leverage so that small changes may produce disproportionate losses for the Underlying Investment. Investments in derivatives may be subject to counterparty risk to a greater degree than more traditional investments. Please see the Underlying Investments prospectus for complete details.

<u>Concentration risk.</u> To the extent that an Underlying Investment or an Investment Option is exposed to securities of a single country, region, industry, structure or size, its performance may be unduly affected by factors common to the type of securities involved.

<u>Index sampling risk.</u> Index sampling risk is the chance that the securities selected for an Underlying Investment, in the aggregate, will not provide investment performance matching that of the Underlying Investment's target index.

<u>Issuer risk.</u> Changes in an issuer's business prospects or financial condition, including those resulting from concerns over accounting or corporate governance practices, could significantly affect an Investment Option's performance if the Investment Option has sufficient exposure to those securities.

<u>Credit risk.</u> The value or yield of a bond or money market security could fall if its credit backing deteriorates. In more extreme cases, default or the threat of default could cause a security to lose most or all of its value. Credit risks are higher in high-yield bonds.

Management risk. An Investment Option's performance could suffer if the investment fund or funds in which it invests underperform.

## NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - CONTINUED

<u>Call risk.</u> This is the chance that during periods of falling interest rates, issuers of callable bonds may call (redeem) securities with higher coupons or interest rates before their maturity dates. The Underlying Investment would then lose any price appreciation above the bond's call price and would be forced to reinvest the unanticipated proceeds at lower interest rates, resulting in a decline in the Underlying Investment's income. Such redemptions and subsequent reinvestments would also increase the Underlying Investment's portfolio turnover rate.

Extension risk. This is the chance that during periods of rising interest rates, certain debt securities will be paid off substantially more slowly than originally anticipated, and the value of those securities may fall. For Underlying Investments that invest in mortgage-backed securities, extension risk is the chance that during periods of rising interest rates, homeowners will prepay their mortgages at slower rates.

Emerging markets risk. Underlying Investments that invest in foreign securities may also be subject to emerging markets risk, which is the chance that the stocks of companies located in emerging markets will be substantially more volatile, and substantially less liquid, than the stocks of companies located in more developed foreign markets because, among other factors, emerging markets can have greater custodial and operational risks; less developed legal, regulatory and accounting systems; and greater political, social and economic instability than developed markets.

<u>Investment style risk.</u> This is the chance that returns from the types of stocks in which an Underlying Investment invests will trail returns from the overall stock market. Specific types of stocks (for instance, small-capitalization stocks) tend to go through cycles of doing better (or worse) than the stock market in general. These periods have, in the past, lasted for as long as several years.

<u>Prepayment risk.</u> This is the chance that during periods of falling interest rates, homeowners will refinance their mortgages before their maturity dates, resulting in prepayment of mortgage-backed securities held by an Underlying Investment. The Underlying Investment would then lose any price appreciation above the mortgage's principal and would be forced to reinvest the unanticipated proceeds at lower interest rates, resulting in a decline in the Underlying Investment's income. Such prepayments and subsequent reinvestments would also increase the Underlying Investment's portfolio turnover rate.

## NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - CONTINUED

Infectious Illness Risk. An outbreak of an infectious respiratory illness, COVID19, caused by a novel coronavirus has resulted in travel restrictions, disruption of healthcare systems, prolonged quarantines, cancellations, supply chain disruptions, lower consumer demand, layoffs, ratings downgrades, defaults and other significant economic impacts. Certain markets have experienced temporary closures, extreme volatility, severe losses, reduced liquidity and increased trading costs. These events may have an impact on the Underlying Investments and could impact the ability to purchase or sell securities or cause elevated tracking error and increased premiums or discounts to the Underlying Investments NAV. Other infectious illness outbreaks in the future may result in similar impacts.

Cybersecurity risk. The Plan places significant reliance on the computer systems of its service providers and partners. Thus, the Plan may be susceptible to operational and information security risks resulting from cyber threats and cyber-attacks which may adversely affect your account and cause it to lose value. For example, cyber threats and cyber-attacks may interfere with your ability to make contributions to, exchanges within or distributions from your accounts. Cyber threats and cyber-attacks may also impede trading and/or result in the collection and use of personally identifiable information of an account owner, Beneficiary or others.

Cybersecurity risks include security or privacy incidents such as human error, unauthorized release, theft, misuse, corruption and destruction of account data maintained by the Plan online or in digital form. Cybersecurity risks also include denial of service, viruses, malware, hacking, bugs, security vulnerabilities in software, attacks on technology operations and other disruptions that could impede the Plan's ability to maintain routine operations. Although the Plan's service providers and partners undertake efforts to protect their computer systems from cyber threats and cyber-attacks, there are no guarantees that the Plan or your account will avoid losses due to cyber threats or cyber-attacks.

#### Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust NEST Advisor College Savings Plan NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED For the year ended December 31, 2021

#### NOTE C. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value.

The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level I measurements) and the lowest priority to measurements involving significant unobservable inputs (Level III measurements).

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level I – unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities including securities actively traded on a securities exchange.

Level II – inputs other than unadjusted quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability (such as unadjusted quoted prices for similar assets and market corroborated inputs such as interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.).

Level III – significant unobservable inputs (including management's own judgments about assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability).

The inputs used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities.

The Plan classifies each of its investments in those Underlying Investments which are publicly offered and reported on an exchange as Level I, and those Underlying Investments which are not publicly offered as Level II without consideration as to the classification level of the specific investment held by the Underlying Investments. The level in the fair value hierarchy within which a fair value measurement in its entirety falls is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

#### Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust NEST Advisor College Savings Plan NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED For the year ended December 31, 2021

#### NOTE C. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT - CONTINUED

The following table presents assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2021:

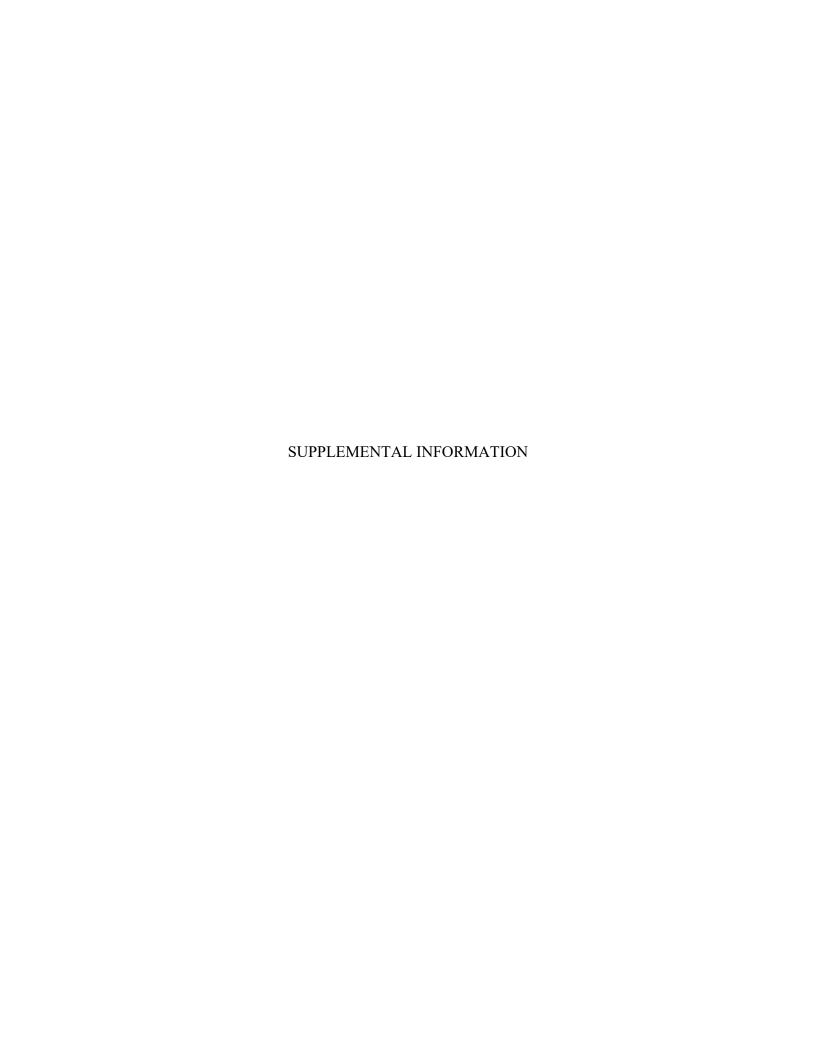
	Fair Value	Level I	Level II	Level III
Bank Savings	\$ 17,346,764	\$ 17,346,764	\$ -	\$ -
Money Market				
Funds	72,555,691	72,555,691	-	-
U.S.Real Estate				
Mutual Fund	47,341,452	47,341,452	-	-
U.S. Equity Mutual				
Funds	596,268,215	563,233,427	33,034,788	-
International Equity				
Mutual Funds	178,386,145	178,386,145	-	-
Fixed Income Mutual				
Funds	448,583,426	448,583,426	-	-
Fixed Income Mutual				
Funds TIPS	71,855,059	71,855,059	-	-
International Fixed				
Income Funds	50,613,566	50,613,566		
	\$1,482,950,318	\$1,449,915,530	\$ 33,034,788	\$ -

To value Level I investments: The fair value of Level I investments are determined by obtaining quoted market prices on nationally recognized securities exchanges.

To value Level II investments: The fair value of Level II investments are determined based on quoted prices that were obtained directly from the fund companies through confirmations for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active.

#### NOTE D. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

As of April 13, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan did not have any subsequent events affecting the amounts reported in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021, or which are required to be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements for the year then ended.



#### Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust NEST Advisor College Savings Plan

# SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS IN AND PARTICIPANT DISTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS OUT

For the year ended December 31, 2021

Contributions from plan participants		\$ 114,704,297
Transfers in from plan participants		40,565,422
Gross Investment Changes/Transfers Portfolio rounding Sales Charges	\$ 457,008,615 (1,313) (1,969,589)	
Adjusted Investment Changes/Transfers	\$ 455,037,713	 455,037,713
Contributions/Exchanges/Transfers		\$ 610,307,432
Distributions to plan participants		\$ 137,347,159
Transfers out to plan participants		46,419,090
Investment Changes/Transfers		457,008,615
Distributions/Exchanges/Transfers		\$ 640,774,864



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Trustee, Program Manager, Investment Manager, and Participants and Beneficiaries of the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the statement of net position available for benefits of the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net position available for benefits, the investment summary, investment detail, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 13, 2022.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan's internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.



Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal over financial reporting control that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this 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. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Hayes & Associates, L.L.C.

Hayes & Associates, LLC

Omaha, Nebraska

April 13, 2022

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# **Bloomwell 529 Education Savings**

Effective July 23, 2021, the TD Ameritrade 529 College Savings Plan was rebranded, and the Plan changed its name to Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan.

The Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan offers unique investment options with a competitive cost structure. There are 29 investment options featuring 2 Age-Based Portfolios, consisting of both Core and Socially Aware strategies, 10 Static Portfolios with both Core and Socially Aware options, and 17 Individual Fund Investment Options ranging from aggressive to conservative investment options from quality fund families. All of the investment options have received the approval of the Nebraska Investment Council.

As of September 30, 2022, the Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan had 72,645 accounts and \$1,699,256,145 in assets.

The Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan, audited financial statements performed by Hayes & Associates for the period of January 1-December 31, 2021 are provided.



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# Bloomwell Age-Based Investment Options

Choosing an Age-Based Option means your account will be placed in a portfolio based on the beneficiary's age. Each age-range portfolio has a different mix of and allocation to the different Underlying Investments, starting with more aggressive, growth oriented investments and moving to more conservative as the student nears college age. Your account will automatically move to the next age-range portfolio as the beneficiary gets older. Bloomwell 529 Education Savings offers both Core Investment Options and Socially Aware Investment Options.

#### **Age-Based Core**

Our Age-Based Core Strategy utilizes multiple fund families based on your beneficiary's age and your investment style.

#### **Age-Based Socially Aware**

Our Age-Based Socially Aware Strategy utilizes socially responsible funds that invest in companies with solid ESG practices based on your beneficiary's age and your investment style.



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# Bloomwell Age-Based Asset Allocations (As of Period Ending: 9/30/2022)

	U.S. Equity	Non-U.S	on-U.S. Equity U.S. Fixed Income Non-U.S. Fixed Income		xed Income	Cash		
	iShares Core S&P Total US Stock Market ETF	Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF	Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF	iShares Core US Aggregate Bond ETF	Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF	Vanguard Total International Bond ETF	VanEck Vectors JP Morgan EM LC Bd ETF	Goldman Sachs Financial Square <sup>sm</sup> Government Money Market
Portfolio	ІТОТ	VEA	vwo	AGG	BSV	BNDX	EMLC	FGTXX
CORE								
0-2	73.00%	17.50%	4.50%	5.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
3-5	65.00%	16.00%	4.00%	13.00%	0.00%	1.00%	1.00%	0.00%
6-8	57.50%	14.00%	3.50%	17.50%	3.00%	1.50%	1.00%	2.00%
9-10	50.00%	12.00%	3.00%	22.00%	6.00%	2.00%	1.00%	4.00%
11-12	42.50%	10.00%	2.50%	23.50%	9.50%	2.50%	1.00%	8.50%
13-14	35.00%	8.00%	2.00%	25.00%	13.00%	3.00%	1.00%	13.00%
15-16	27.50%	6.00%	1.50%	26.50%	17.50%	4.00%	0.00%	17.00%
17-18	20.00%	4.00%	1.00%	28.00%	22.00%	4.00%	0.00%	21.00%
19+	12.00%	3.00%	0.00%	25.00%	24.00%	3.00%	0.00%	33.00%

	U.S	i. Equity	Non-U.S	6. Equity	U.S. Fixed	Income	Non-U.S. Fixed Income		Cash
	iShares ESG MSCI USA ETF	Nuveen ESG Small-Cap ETF	iShares ESG MSCI EAFE ETF	iShares ESG MSCI EM ETF	iShares Core US Aggregate Bond ETF	Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF	Vanguard Total International Bond ETF	VanEck Vectors JP Morgan EM LC Bd ETF	Goldman Sachs Financial Square <sup>sM</sup> Government Money Market
Portfolio	ESGU	NUSC	ESGD	ESGE	AGG	BSV	BNDX	EMLC	FGTXX
SOCIALLY A	WARE								
0-2	65.50%	7.50%	17.50%	4.50%	5.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
3-5	58.50%	6.50%	16.00%	4.00%	13.00%	0.00%	1.00%	1.00%	0.00%
6-8	51.75%	5.75%	14.00%	3.50%	17.50%	3.00%	1.50%	1.00%	2.00%
9-10	45.00%	5.00%	12.00%	3.00%	22.00%	6.00%	2.00%	1.00%	4.00%
11-12	38.25%	4.25%	10.00%	2.50%	23.50%	9.50%	2.50%	1.00%	8.50%
13-14	31.50%	3.50%	8.00%	2.00%	25.00%	13.00%	3.00%	1.00%	13.00%
15-16	24.75%	2.75%	6.00%	1.50%	26.50%	17.50%	4.00%	0.00%	17.00%
17-18	18.00%	2.00%	4.00%	1.00%	28.00%	22.00%	4.00%	0.00%	21.00%
19+	11.00%	1.00%	3.00%	0.00%	25.00%	24.00%	3.00%	0.00%	33.00%



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# **Bloomwell Static Investment Options**

Static Options offer a fixed investment allocation throughout the life of your account. Unlike Age-Based, Static Options do not shift to a different allocation mix as your beneficiary approaches college age.

#### **Core Static**

Our Core Static Options utilize multiple fund families that target to maintain the stated asset allocation and do not adjust based on your beneficiary's age. Bloomwell offers five Core Static Investment Options: Core Aggressive Static, Core Growth Static, Core Moderate Growth Static, Core Moderate Static and Core Conservative Static.

#### **Socially Aware Static**

Our Socially Aware Static Strategy utilizes socially responsible funds that invest in companies with solid ESG practices and other quality fund families that target to maintain the stated asset allocation and do not adjust based on your beneficiary's age. Bloomwell offers five Socially Aware Static Investment Options: Socially Aware Aggressive Static, Socially Aware Growth Static, Socially Aware Moderate Growth Static, Socially Aware Moderate Static, Socially Aware Conservative Static.



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# Bloomwell Static Asset Allocations (As of Period Ending: 9/30/2022)

	U.S. Equity	Non-U.S	6. Equity	U.S. Fixed	Income	Non-U.S. Fi	Cash	
	iShares Core S&P Total US Stock Market ETF	Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF	Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF	iShares Core US Aggregate Bond ETF	Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF	Vanguard Total VanEck Vectors International JP Morgan Bond ETF EM LC Bd ETF		Goldman Sachs Financial Square <sup>sM</sup> Government Money Market
Portfolio	ІТОТ	VEA	vwo	AGG	BSV	BNDX EMLC		FGTXX
CORE								
Aggressive	50.00%	23.00%	11.00%	13.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.00%	1.00%
Growth	39.00%	20.00%	9.00%	23.00%	4.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%
Moderate Growth	27.00%	14.00%	6.00%	37.00%	10.00%	2.00% 3.00%		1.00%
Moderate	20.00%	11.00%	5.00%	43.00%	14.00%	2.00%	4.00%	1.00%
Conservative	11.00%	7.00%	3.00%	51.00%	25.00%	2.00%	0.00%	1.00%

	U.S	. Equity	Non-U.S	S. Equity	U.S. Fixed	Income	Non-U.S. Fi	Cash	
	iShares ESG MSCI USA ETF	Nuveen ESG Small-Cap ETF	iShares ESG MSCI EAFE ETF	iShares ESG MSCI EM ETF	iShares Core US Aggregate Bond ETF	Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF	Vanguard Total International Bond ETF VanEck Vecto JP Morgan EI LC Bd ETF		Goldman Sachs Financial Square <sup>sM</sup> Government Money Market
Portfolio	ESGU	NUSC	ESGD	ESGE	AGG	BSV	BNDX EMLC		FGTXX
SOCIALLY AWAR	RE								
Aggressive	44.00%	6.00%	23.00%	11.00%	13.00%	0.00%	0.00%	2.00%	1.00%
Growth	34.00%	5.00%	20.00%	9.00%	23.00%	4.00%	2.00%	2.00%	1.00%
Moderate Growth	24.00%	3.00%	14.00%	6.00%	37.00%	10.00%	2.00% 3.00%		1.00%
Moderate	18.00%	2.00%	11.00%	5.00%	43.00%	14.00%	2.00%	4.00%	1.00%
Conservative	10.00%	1.00%	7.00%	3.00%	51.00%	25.00%	2.00%	0.00%	1.00%



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# **Bloomwell Individual Investment Options**

To provide additional flexibility for investors, Bloomwell offers 17 Individual Fund Investment Options from well-respected investment companies including Vanguard, State Street, T. Rowe Price, MetWest, and DFA. You can select any combination of the Individual Fund Investment Options to design an investment portfolio that meets your needs, risk tolerance, and investment style.

#### **Money Market**

Goldman Sachs Financial Square<sup>™</sup> Government Money Market 529

#### **Fixed Income**

Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index 529
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index 529
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index 529
MetWest Total Return Bond 529
DFA World ex-U.S. Government Fixed Income 529

#### Non-U.S. Equity

State Street MSCI® ACWI ex USA Index 529 Vanguard Emerging Markets Stock Index 529

#### **U.S. Equity**

State Street S&P 500® Index 529
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index 529
Vanguard Equity Income 529
Vanguard Russell 1000 Value Index 529
T.Rowe Price Large-Cap Growth 529
Vanguard Extended Market Index 529
Vanguard Russell 2000 Growth Index 529
iShares Core S&P Small-Cap ETF 529

#### **Real Estate**

Vanguard Real Estate Index 529



# Performance as of September 30, 2022



### Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan

The performance data shown represents past performance. Past performance - especially short-term performance - is not a guarantee of future results. Performance information is current as of the most recent timeframe referenced above and is net of the Underlying Investment expenses, the Program Management Fee, and the State Administration Fee. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate, so that investors' units, when sold, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data cited. For further information about investments and for the most recent month-end performance data, please visit our website at Bloomwell529.com.

	Total Re	Average Annualized Total Returns						
Investment Option Name Benchmark 1	Quarter Ending 9/30/2022	Year To Date	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Since Inception <sup>2</sup>	Inception Date <sup>3</sup>
Age-Based Index Investment Options			_					
Age-Based Core 0-2	-6.08%	-24.83%	-19.53%	-	-	-	3.25%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core 0-2 yr	-5.67%	-24.77%	-19.45%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Core 3-5	-5.77%	-23.62%	-18.84%	-	-	-	2.62%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core 3-5 yr	-5.54%	-23.72%	-18.92%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Core 6-8	-5.52%	-22.14%	-17.87%	-	-	-	2.12%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core 6-8 yr	-5.21%	-22.15%	-17.84%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Core 9-10	-5.16%	-20.49%	-16.76%	-	-	-	1.65%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core 9-10 yr	-4.89%	-20.57%	-16.77%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Core 11-12	-4.61%	-18.57%	-15.37%	-	-	-	1.21%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core 11-12 yr	-4.43%	-18.59%	-15.32%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Core 13-14	-4.22%	-16.57%	-13.90%	-	-	-	0.76%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core 13-14 yr	-3.98%	-16.60%	-13.87%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Core 15-16	-3.72%	-14.49%	-12.41%	-	-	-	0.31%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core 15-16 yr	-3.54%	-14.54%	-12.37%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Core 17-18	-3.21%	-12.41%	-10.92%	-	-	-	-0.18%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core 17-18 yr	-3.12%	-12.49%	-10.95%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Core 19+	-2.38%	-9.38%	-8.54%	-	-	-	-0.53%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core 19+ yr	-2.40%	-9.49%	-8.58%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Socially Aware 0-2	-6.13%	-25.49%	-20.20%	-	-	-	3.41%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware 0-2 yr	-5.91%	-25.48%	-20.19%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Socially Aware 3-5	-6.00%	-24.25%	-19.51%	-	-	-	2.72%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware 3-5 yr	-5.75%	-24.36%	-19.58%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Socially Aware 6-8	-5.58%	-22.46%	-18.24%	-	-	-	2.25%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware 6-8 yr	-5.40%	-22.73%	-18.43%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Socially Aware 9-10	-5.32%	-20.92%	-17.18%	-	-	-	1.75%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware 9-10 yr	-5.05%	-21.08%	-17.28%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Socially Aware 11-12	-4.76%	-18.74%	-15.50%	-	-	-	1.41%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware 11-12 yr	-4.56%	-19.03%	-15.76%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Socially Aware 13-14	-4.02%	-16.63%	-14.05%	-	-	-	0.97%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware 13-14 yr	-4.09%	-16.96%	-14.23%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Socially Aware 15-16	-3.80%	-14.66%	-12.52%	-	-	-	0.45%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware 15-16 yr	-3.62%	-14.83%	-12.65%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Socially Aware 17-18	-3.40%	-12.73%	-11.17%	-	-	-	-0.21%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware 17-18 yr	-3.17%	-12.70%	-11.15%	-	-	-		
Age-Based Socially Aware 19+	-2.57%	-9.55%	-8.63%	-	-	-	-0.53%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware 19+ yr	-2.42%	-9.59%	-8.65%	-	_	_		

	Total Ro	Average Annualized Total Returns						
Investment Option Name	Quarter Ending	Year		•	_	40	Since	Inception
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	9/30/2022	To Date	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception <sup>2</sup>	Date <sup>3</sup>
Static Investment Options								
Core Aggressive Static	-6.66%	-23.68%	-19.85%	-	-	-	1.31%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core Aggressive Static	-6.21%	-23.61%	-19.77%	-	-	-		
Core Growth Static	-6.20%	-21.58%	-18.49%	-	-	-	0.49%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core Growth Static	-5.82%	-21.60%	-18.52%	-	-	-		
Core Moderate Growth Static	-5.48%	-18.88%	-16.82%	-	-	-	-0.56%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core Moderate Growth Static	-5.22%	-18.90%	-16.76%	-	-	-		
Core Moderate Static	-5.21%	-17.45%	-16.01%	-	-	-	-1.23%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core Moderate Static	-4.93%	-17.42%	-15.87%	-	-	-		
Core Conservative Static	-4.52%	-14.71%	-13.94%	-	-	-	-1.70%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Core Conservative Static	-4.40%	-14.86%	-13.99%	-	-	-		
Socially Aware Aggressive Static	-7.00%	-24.44%	-20.74%	-	-	-	1.21%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware Aggressive Static	-6.57%	-24.52%	-20.83%	-	-	-		
Socially Aware Growth Static	-6.50%	-22.42%	-19.50%	-	-	-	0.24%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware Growth Static	-6.10%	-22.35%	-19.39%	-	-	-		
Socially Aware Moderate Growth Static	-5.66%	-19.36%	-17.40%	-	-	-	-0.60%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware Moderate Growth Static	-5.42%	-19.43%	-17.35%	-	-	-		
Socially Aware Moderate Static	-5.39%	-17.79%	-16.36%	-	-	-	-1.20%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware Moderate Static	-5.10%	-17.86%	-16.34%	-	-	_		
Socially Aware Conservative Static	-4.62%	-14.95%	-14.26%	-	-	-	-1.77%	11/18/2019
NEST Benchmark Socially Aware Conservative Static	-4.50%	-15.12%	-14.27%	-	-	-		
Individual Investment Options								
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	0.48%	0.68%	0.68%	0.35%	0.77%	_	0.63%	4/29/2016
Goldman Sachs Financial Square Government Money Market 529 <sup>4</sup> FTSE 3 Month US T-Bill	0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	0.57%		-	0.0376	4/23/2010
	-2.62%	-4.12%	-3.04%	2.15%	1.13%		1.72%	4/29/2016
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities Index 529	-2.62%						1.72%	4/29/2010
Bloomberg Barclays U.S. 0-5 Year TIPS Index		-3.98%	-2.86%	2.44%	2.35%	- 0.400/	0.700/	10/17/0010
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index 529	-2.16%	-6.69%	-7.40%	-1.17%	0.20%	0.42%	0.72%	12/17/2010
Bloomberg US 1-5 Yr Government/Credit Float Adj	-2.16%	-6.62%	-7.29%	-0.90%	0.55%	0.88%	0.040/	0/00/0040
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index 529	-4.66%	-14.68%	-14.81%	-3.47%	-0.55%	0.46%	0.61%	6/22/2012
Bloomberg US Aggregate Float Adjusted Bond Index	-4.68%	-14.65%	-14.61%		-0.23%	0.91%	0.000/	0/0/0045
MetWest Total Return Bond 529	-5.23%	-16.25%	-16.39%	-3.40%	-0.43%	-	0.20%	2/6/2015
Bloomberg US Aggregate Bond Index	-4.75%	-14.61%	-14.60%	-3.26%	-0.27%	-		
DFA World ex U.S. Government Fixed Income 529	-6.54%	-19.52%	-19.59%	-7.58%	-1.73%	-	-0.89%	4/29/2016
FTSE Non-USD World Govt Bond (hedged to USD)	-3.30%	-12.26%	-12.30%	-4.17%	0.27%	-		
State Street S&P 500 Index 529	-4.93%	-24.00%	-15.65%	7.87%	8.85%	11.22%	11.78%	6/22/2012
S&P 500 Index	-4.88%	-23.87%	-15.47%	8.16%	9.24%	11.70%		
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index 529	-4.50%	-24.96%	-18.11%	7.35%	8.21%	10.89%	10.69%	12/17/2010
CRSP US Total Market Index	-4.44%	-24.86%	-17.98%	7.60%	8.56%	11.35%		
Vanguard Equity Income 529	-5.36%	-12.32%	-4.74%	6.39%	7.06%	9.91%	10.44%	6/22/2012
FTSE High Dividend Yield Index	-5.97%	-13.45%	-5.30%	5.59%	6.56%	9.97%		
Vanguard Russell 1000 Value Index 529	-5.66%	-17.89%	-11.56%	4.05%	4.88%	8.64%	9.33%	6/22/2012
Russell 1000 Value Index	-5.62%	-17.75%	-11.36%	4.36%	5.29%	9.17%		
T. Rowe Price Large Cap Growth 529	-2.92%	-35.13%	-31.18%	6.84%	9.57%	13.35%	12.67%	12/17/2010
Russell 1000 Growth Index	-3.60%	-30.66%	-22.59%	10.67%	12.17%	13.70%		
Vanguard Extended Market Index 529	-2.76%	-30.10%	-29.63%	4.04%	4.51%	9.00%	9.61%	6/22/2012
S&P Completion Index	-2.78%	-30.09%	-29.62%	4.16%	4.72%	9.31%		
iShares Core S&P Small Cap ETF 529	-5.15%	-23.19%	-18.92%	-	-	-	4.16%	11/18/2019
S&P Small Cap 600 Index	-5.20%	-23.16%	-18.83%	-	-	-		
Vanguard Russell 2000 Growth Index 529	0.29%	-29.23%	-29.28%				1.04%	11/18/2019
Russell 2000 Growth Index	0.24%	-29.28%	-29.27%	-	-	-		
State Street MSCI ACWI ex USA Index 529	-10.20%	-26.86%	-25.53%	-1.99%	-1.40%	2.42%	3.33%	6/22/2012
MSCI ACWI ex USA Index	-9.69%	-26.92%	-25.72%	-1.27%	-0.78%	3.19%	<del>-</del>	

	Total Returns			Average Annualized Total Returns				
Investment Option Name	<b>Quarter Ending</b>	Year					Since	Inception
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	9/30/2022	To Date	1 year	3 year	5 year	10 year	Inception <sup>2</sup>	Date <sup>3</sup>
Vanguard Emerging Markets Stock Index 529	-10.77%	-24.09%	-24.39%	-	-	-	-2.31%	11/18/2019
FTSE Emerging Markets All Cap China A Inclusion Index	-9.94%	-23.84%	-24.22%	-	-	-		
Vanguard Real Estate Index 529	-11.01%	-29.33%	-18.78%	-1.79%	2.79%	5.83%	7.23%	12/17/2010
MSCI US Investable Market Real Estate 25/50 Index 5	-11.23%	-29.73%	-19.43%	-2.46%	2.29%	5.87%		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Each benchmark is not managed. Therefore, its performance does not reflect management fees, expenses or the imposition of sales charges.

An investor should consider the investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses associated with municipal fund securities before investing. This and other important information is contained in the fund prospectuses and the Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan Program Disclosure Statement (issuer's official statement), which can be obtained at Bloomwell529.com and should be read carefully before investing. You can lose money by investing in an Investment Option. Each of the Investment Options involves investment risks, which are described in the Program Disclosure Statement.

An investor should consider, before investing, whether the investor's or beneficiary's home state offers any state tax or other state benefits such as financial aid, scholarship funds, and protection from creditors that are only available for investments in such state's 529 plan. Investors should consult their tax advisor, attorney, and/or other advisor regarding their specific legal, investment, or tax situation.

The Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan (the "Plan") is sponsored by the State of Nebraska, administered by the Nebraska State Treasurer, and the Nebraska Investment Council provides investment oversight. Union Bank and Trust Company serves as Program Manager for the Plan. The Plan offers a series of Investment Options within the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust (the "Trust"), which offers other investment options not affiliated with the Plan. The Plan is intended to operate as a qualified tuition program.

Neither the principal contributed to an account, nor earnings thereon, are guaranteed or insured by the State of Nebraska, the Nebraska State Treasurer, the Nebraska Investment Council, the Trust, the Plan, any other state, any agency or instrumentality thereof, Union Bank and Trust Company, the FDIC, or any other entity. Investment returns are not guaranteed. Account owners assume all investment risk, including the potential loss of principal.

Not FDIC Insured - No Bank Guarantee - May Lose Value



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Since Inception Returns for less than one year are not annualized.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The current Program Manager resumed managing the Plan 3pm CT December 4, 2020. Share price and performance information prior to December 4, 2020 was provided by the previous program manager as the true, accurate and complete program records and has not been independently audited by the current Program Manager.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Although the money market fund in which an Investment Option may invest (the underlying fund) seeks to preserve the value at \$1.00 per share, it cannot guarantee it will do so. Because the share price of the fund will fluctuate, when the shares are sold they may be worth more or less than what was originally paid for them. The fund may impose a fee upon sale of shares or may temporarily suspend the ability to sell shares if the fund's liquidity falls below required minimums because of market conditions or other factors. An investment in the fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. The fund's sponsor has no legal obligation to provide financial support to the fund, and you should not expect that the sponsor will provide financial support to the fund at any time.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> MSCI US REIT Index through February 1, 2018; MSCI US Investable Market Real Estate 25/50 Transition Index through July 24, 2018: MSCI US Investable Market Real Estate 25/50 Index thereafter

NEBRASKA EDUCATIONAL SAVINGS PLAN TRUST-Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT For the year ended December 31, 2021

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Trustee, Program Manager, Investment Manager, and Participants and Beneficiaries of the Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying statement of net position available for benefits of the Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan (the Plan) which is part of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust (the Trust), as of December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net position available for benefits, investment summary, investment detail, and related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Plan's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents for the year ended December 31, 2021.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements, including the investment summary and investment detail, present fairly, in all material respects, the respective net position of the Plan, as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in net position available for benefits, investment summary, investment detail, and related notes to the financial statements for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions

#### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

The Plan's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and 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.



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 Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives 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 auditor's report that includes our opinions. 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 GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. 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. Misstatements 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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding 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 Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
  expressed.
- 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.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control—related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 5 and 6 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context.

We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### **Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that comprise the Plan's basic financial statements. The schedule of participant contributions and transfers in and participant distributions and transfers out is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of participant contributions and transfers in and participant distributions and transfers out is the responsibility of management and was derived from and related directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of participant contributions and transfers in and participant distributions and transfers out is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note A, the financial statements present only the Bloomwell 529 Educational Savings Plan, and are not intended to present fairly the financial position of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust as a whole and the results of its operations in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 13, 2022, on our consideration of the Plan's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Plan's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Hayes & Associates, L.L.C.

Hayes & Associates, LLC

Omaha, Nebraska April 13, 2022

#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

The Nebraska State Treasurer's Office provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of the Plan's annual financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Plan is for the year ended December 31, 2021. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the Plan's financial statements, which follow this section.

#### **Using these Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Plan's financial statements, which consist of the Statement of Net Position Available for Benefits, Statement of Changes in Net Position Available for Benefits, Investment Summary, Investment Detail, and Notes to the Financial Statements. These financial statements provide information about the activities of the Plan as a whole and of the Investment Options within the Plan and are based on the accrual basis of accounting.

The financial statements are further described as follows:

The Statement of Net Positions Available for Benefits presents the assets, liabilities and net position of the Plan.

The Statement of Changes in Net Position Available for Benefit presents the income, expenses, realized and unrealized gain/loss, and ending net position as a resulting of the operations of the Plan.

The Investment Summary presents the cost basis, market value, and unrealized gain/loss on the Plan's underlying investments at the Plan level.

The Investment Detail presents the number of units, their cost basis, the price per unit, market value, and the unrealized gain/loss of the underlying investments held by the Plan in each of the Plan's Investment Options.

The Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements.

#### **Financial Analysis of the Plan**

During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Plan received \$787,788,510 in contributions from participants and distributed \$738,893,456 to participants and beneficiaries. The Plan's financial activity for the year ended December 31, 2021, resulted in an increase in net position of \$286,979,548.

Condensed financial information as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the period December 5 through December 31, 2020, is as follows:

	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Cash and investments	\$ 2,127,314,081	\$ 1,841,816,550
Dividends receivable	1,727,089	326,305
Total assets	2,129,041,170	1,842,142,855
Liabilities	3,300,381	3,381,614
Net position	\$ 2,125,740,789	\$ 1,838,761,241
		For the Period
	For the year ended	December 5, through
	December 31, 2021	December 31, 2020
Additions:		
Contributions	\$ 787,788,510	\$ 94,960,322
Net increase /(decrease) in fair		
value of investments	210,567,496	20,802,662
Dividends and mutual fund distributions	31,461,431	6,721,935
Transfer from prior program manager		1,803,012,918
Total additions	1,029,817,437	1,925,497,837
Deductions:		
Distributions	738,893,456	86,431,735
Administrative expenses	3,944,433	304,861
Total deductions	742,837,889	86,736,596
Net increase	286,979,548	1,838,761,241
Net position, beginning of year	1,838,761,241	
Net position, end of year	\$ 2,125,740,789	\$ 1,838,761,241

Total additions decreased primarily due to the transfer in from the previous program manager during the prior period. An increase in contributions and distributions is primarily the result of a full year compared to the short reporting period December 5 through December 31, 2020.

#### **CONTACTING THE NEBRASKA STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE**

This financial report is designed to present users with a general overview of the Plan's finances and to demonstrate the Plan's accountability for the funds held in custody. If you have questions about the report or need additional information, please contact the Nebraska State Treasurer's Office at their College Savings Division located in the Nebraska State Capitol, Room 2005, P.O. Box 94788, Lincoln, NE 68509-4788.

# Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS December 31, 2021

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 4,223,821
Investments:	
Cost	1,931,360,113
Unrealized gain/loss - investments	191,730,147
Total investments	2,123,090,260
Dividend receivables	1,727,089
Total assets	2,129,041,170
LIABILITIES	
Payables:	
Distributions to plan administrator	2,068,738
Accrued expenses	1,231,643
Total liabilities	3,300,381
NET POSITION	\$ 2,125,740,789

# Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS For the year ended December 31, 2021

Net Position - Beginning of Period	\$ 1,838,761,241
Receipts:	
Contributions/Exchanges/Transfers	787,788,510
Investment income:	
Dividends and mutual fund distributions	31,461,431
Realized gain/loss	18,837,349
Unrealized gain/loss- investments	191,730,147
Total receipts	1,029,817,437
Disbursements:	
Administrative expenses:	
Fees	
Management fee	2,941,688
State administrative fee	952,547
Other operating expenses	50,198
Distributions/Exchanges/Transfers	738,893,456
Total disbursements	742,837,889
Net Position - End of Period	\$ 2,125,740,789

	Cost	 Market Value	Unrealized Gain/Loss			
INVESTMENT DISTRIBUTION Unit of Participation	\$ 1,931,360,113	\$ 2,123,090,260	\$	191,730,147		
Total Investments	\$ 1,931,360,113	\$ 2,123,090,260	\$	191,730,147		

See accompanying notes and independent auditor's report.

	Fund 15 Age-Based Core 19+	Fund 25 Age-Based Core 17-18	Fund 35 Age-Based Core 15-16	Fund 45 Age-Based Core 13-14	ge-Based Age-Based Age-Based Ag		Fund 75 Age-Based Core 06-08	Fund 85 Age-Based Core 03-05
MONEY MARKET FUNDS Goldman Sachs Financial Square Gov't Money Market	\$ 46,274,949	\$ 26,554,062	\$ 22,871,470	\$ 15,983,043	\$ 8,995,232	\$ 3,744,030	\$ 2,240,532	\$ -
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS  Vanguard Real Estate ETF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS iShares Core S&P Small-Cap ETF iShares Core S&P Total US Stock Market ETF iShares ESG MSCI USA ETF Nuveen ESG Small-Cap ETF	16,788,251	25,872,675 -	37,706,959 -	43,837,431	45,926,842 -	- 47,788,727 -	65,940,594	45,903,667 -
State Street S&P 500 Index	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
T Rowe Large-Cap Growth	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanguard Equity-Income Vanguard Extended Market Index	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanguard Russell 1000 Value Index	-	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanguard Russell 2000 Growth Index	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Total investment in U.S. equity funds	16,788,251	25,872,675	37,706,959	43,837,431	45,926,842	47,788,727	65,940,594	45,903,667
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS	10,766,231	23,872,073	37,700,939	43,037,431	43,720,842	47,780,727	03,940,394	43,903,007
iShares ESG MSCI EAFE ETF iShares ESG MSCI EM ETF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
State Street MSCI ACWI ex USA Index	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanguard Emerging Market Stock Index Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF	4,228,954	5,144,483 1,246,699	8,255,689 1,975,703	10,049,439 2,427,934	10,921,268 2,640,661	11,496,272 2,766,542	15,991,938 3,928,461	11,386,781 2,763,114
Total investment in international equity funds	4,228,954	6,391,182	10,231,392	12,477,373	13,561,929	14,262,814	19,920,399	14,149,895
FIXED INCOME FUNDS iShares Core US Aggregate Bond ETF	35,144,957	35,414,067	35,730,491	30,655,444	25,168,792	20,882,925	19,933,043	9,074,554
MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF	33,719,403	27,764,706	23,556,245	15,906,218	10,076,322	5,614,727	3,345,027	-
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds	68,864,360	63,178,773	59,286,736	46,561,662	35,245,114	26,497,652	23,278,070	9,074,554
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS	00,001,500	03,170,773	37,200,730	10,501,002	33,213,111	20, 157,032	23,270,070	7,071,551
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected ETF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS Vanguard Total International Bond ETF	4,112,973	4,890,197	5,203,779	3,591,020	2,545,904	1,816,029	1,615,671	674,176
DFA World ex US Gov't VanEck Vectors JP Morgan EM LC Bd ETF	-	-	-	1,240,420	1,073,874	936,634	1,120,775	703,193
Total investment in international fixed income funds	4,112,973	4,890,197	5,203,779	4,831,440	3,619,778	2,752,663	2,736,446	1,377,369
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 140,269,487	\$ 126,886,889	\$ 135,300,336	\$ 123,690,949	\$ 107,348,895	\$ 95,045,886	\$ 114,116,041	\$ 70,505,485

	Fund 95 Age-Based Core 0-2	Fund 15 Age-Based SA 19+	Fund 25 Age-Based SA 17-18	Fund 35 Age-Based SA 15-16	Fund 45 Age-Based SA 13-14	Fund 55 Age-Based SA 11-12	Fund 65 Age-Based SA 09-10	Fund 75 Age-Based SA 06-08
MONEY MARKET FUNDS Goldman Sachs Financial Square Gov't Money Market	\$ -	\$ 330,519	\$ 341,081	\$ 109,960	\$ 182,341	\$ 94,237	\$ 53,493	\$ 37,020
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS  Vanguard Real Estate ETF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS iShares Core S&P Small-Cap ETF iShares Core S&P Total US Stock Market ETF iShares ESG MSCI USA ETF Nuveen ESG Small-Cap ETF State Street S&P 500 Index T Rowe Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity-Income Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Russell 1000 Value Index Vanguard Russell 2000 Growth Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index	16,385,101 - - - - - - - - -	- 109,921 10,089 - - - - - - -	298,910 35,023 - - - - - -	- 161,296 18,443 - - - - - -	- 442,758 50,565 - - - - - -	- 420,722 48,438 - - - - - -	- 612,156 70,990 - - - - - - -	957,333 108,209 - - - - - -
Total investment in U.S. equity funds  INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS  iShares ESG MSCI EAFE ETF  iShares ESG MSCI EM ETF  State Street MSCI ACWI ex USA Index  Vanguard Emerging Market Stock Index  Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF  Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF  Total investment in international equity funds	16,385,101  3,977,081 1,013,361 4,990,442	29,976 	333,933 66,231 16,504 - - - - 82,735	179,739 39,056 9,848 - - - - - 48,904	493,323 113,514 28,115 - - - - - - - - - - - - -	469,160 109,853 27,707 - - - - - - - - - - - - -	683,146 162,140 40,512 - - - - - - - - - - - - -	258,849 65,496 - - - - 324,345
FIXED INCOME FUNDS iShares Core US Aggregate Bond ETF MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds	1,118,175 - - - - - 1,118,175	250,887 - 241,003 - - 491,890	449,413 - 352,838 - - 802,251	173,811 - 114,634 - - 288,445	351,367 - 182,025 - - 533,392	260,124 - 104,923 - - 365,047	297,005 - 80,565 - - 377,570	325,784 - 55,645 - - 381,429
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected ETF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS Vanguard Total International Bond ETF DFA World ex US Gov't VanEck Vectors JP Morgan EM LC Bd ETF Total investment in international fixed income funds	- - - -	30,051	61,484	26,161 - - 26,161	41,273 - 13,639 54,912	27,486 - 10,913 38,399	26,336 - 13,159 39,495	27,749 - 18,492 46,241
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 22,493,718	\$ 1,002,446	\$ 1,621,484	\$ 653,209	\$ 1,405,597	\$ 1,104,403	\$ 1,356,356	\$ 1,854,577

	Fund 85 Age-Based SA 03-05	Fund 95 Age-Based SA 0-2	Fund 21 Core Conserve Static	onserve Core Moderate Core Moderate Core Growth Co		Fund 84 Core Aggressive Static	Socially Aware Conservative Static	
MONEY MARKET FUNDS Goldman Sachs Financial Square Gov't Money Market	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 230,481	\$ 46,183	\$ 437,325	\$ 171,680	\$ 1,093,076	\$ 6,873
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS  Vanguard Real Estate ETF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS iShares Core S&P Small-Cap ETF iShares Core S&P Total US Stock Market ETF iShares ESG MSCI USA ETF Nuveen ESG Small-Cap ETF State Street S&P 500 Index T Rowe Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity-Income Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Russell 1000 Value Index Vanguard Russell 2000 Growth Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Total investment in U.S. equity funds	869,15 100,54 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	3 132,481 - - - - - - -	2,575,547 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	951,672 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	11,477,223 	6,959,794 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	56,224,051 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	67,835 6,873 - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS iShares ESG MSCI EAFE ETF iShares ESG MSCI EM ETF State Street MSCI ACWI ex USA Index Vanguard Emerging Market Stock Index Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF Total investment in international equity funds	236,89 59,36 - - - - 296,26	79,802	1,662,170 - 707,662 - 2,369,832	519,471 231,852 751,323	6,054,566 2,552,992 8,607,558	3,560,052 1,576,542 5,136,594	25,959,058 12,243,433 38,202,491	47,495 20,684 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
FIXED INCOME FUNDS iShares Core US Aggregate Bond ETF MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds	193,21- - - - - - 193,21-	- -	11,700,134 - 5,719,038 - - - 17,419,172	1,993,077 - 644,312 - - 2,637,389	15,784,164 - 4,282,766 - - 20,066,930	4,047,413 - 695,143 - - - 4,742,556	14,415,712 	348,034 - 170,405 - - - 518,439
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected ETF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS Vanguard Total International Bond ETF DFA World ex US Gov't VanEck Vectors JP Morgan EM LC Bd ETF Total investment in international fixed income funds	14,25 - 14,22 28,48	- 4	443,339 - - - 443,339	89,532 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	843,980 - 1,271,445 2,115,425	333,935 - 345,925 679,860	2,118,212 2,118,212	13,219 - - - 13,219
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 1,487,66	1 \$ 1,753,967	\$ 23,038,371	\$ 4,661,926	\$ 42,704,461	\$ 17,690,484	\$ 112,053,542	\$ 681,418

	Mo	ly Aware derate tatic	Mod	ly Aware Growth tatic	ially Aware Growth Static	Socially Aware Aggressive Static		ancial Square ST		Gold Sachs Financial Square Money Market		Vanguard ST Inflation Protected		ST Inflation		ST Inflation		ST Inflation		ST Inflation		ST Inflation		ST Inflation		Square ST Inflation		Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index	7	Vanguard Total Bond arket Index
MONEY MARKET FUNDS Goldman Sachs Financial Square Gov't Money Market	\$	2,499	\$	6,970	\$ 14,565	\$ 27,483	\$	60,914,190	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-																
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS  Vanguard Real Estate ETF		-		-	-	-		-		-		-		-																
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS iShares Core S&P Small-Cap ETF iShares Core S&P Total US Stock Market ETF iShares ESG MSCI USA ETF Nuveen ESG Small-Cap ETF State Street S&P 500 Index T Rowe Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity-Income Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Russell 1000 Value Index Vanguard Russell 2000 Growth Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Total investment in U.S. equity funds		46,529 5,302 - - - - - - - 51,831		174,978 23,580 - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	525,667 82,129 - - - - - - - - - - - -	1,239,243 170,172 - - - - - - - - - - - - - -		- - - - - - - - -		- - - - - - - - - -		- - - - - - - - - -		- - - - - - - - -																
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS iShares ESG MSCI EAFE ETF iShares ESG MSCI EM ETF State Street MSCI ACWI ex USA Index Vanguard Emerging Market Stock Index Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF Total investment in international equity funds		28,336 12,828 - - - 41,164		101,990 44,161 - - - 146,151	307,951 139,307 - - - - 447,258	647,926 314,208 - - - - - 962,134		- - - - - - -		- - - - - - -		- - - - - - -		- - - - - -																
FIXED INCOME FUNDS iShares Core US Aggregate Bond ETF MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds		107,969 - 34,842 - - 142,811		261,636 - 69,359 - - 330,995	 351,762 - 59,512 - 411,274	 368,889 - - - - 368,889		- - - - -		- - - - -	_	19,415,156 - 19,415,156		31,910,082 31,910,082																
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected ETF		-		-	-	-		-		15,720,636		-		-																
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS Vanguard Total International Bond ETF DFA World ex US Gov't VanEck Vectors JP Morgan EM LC Bd ETF Total investment in international fixed income funds		4,843 - 10,033 14,876		13,403 - 21,051 34,454	 28,571 - 29,601 58,172	55,720 55,720		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -		- - - -																
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$	253,181	\$	717,128	\$ 1,539,065	\$ 2,823,641	\$	60,914,190	\$	15,720,636	\$	19,415,156	\$	31,910,082																

	MetWest DFA World Total Return ex-US Bond Government		State Street S&P 500 Index	Vanguard Total Stock Market Index	Vanguard Russell 1000 Value Index	Vanguard Equity Income	T Rowe Price Large Cap Growth	Vanguard Extended Market Index
MONEY MARKET FUNDS Goldman Sachs Financial Square Gov't Money Market	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS  iShares Core S&P Small-Cap ETF iShares Core S&P Total US Stock Market ETF iShares ESG MSCI USA ETF Nuveen ESG small-Cap ETF State Street S&P 500 Index T Rowe Large-Cap Growth Vanguard Equity-Income Vanguard Extended Market Index Vanguard Russell 1000 Value Index Vanguard Russell 2000 Growth Index Vanguard Total Stock Market Index Total investment in U.S. equity funds	- - - - - - - - -	- - - - - - - - - -	189,256,879 	- - - - - - - 154,636,692 154,636,692	- - - - - - 46,203,087 - - - 46,203,087	33,791,541	150,790,230	52,652,197 - - 52,652,197
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS iShares ESG MSCI EAFE ETF iShares ESG MSCI EM ETF State Street MSCI ACWI ex USA Index Vanguard Emerging Market Stock Index Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF Total investment in international equity funds		- - - - - -						- - - - - -
FIXED INCOME FUNDS iShares Core US Aggregate Bond ETF MetWest Total Return Bond Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Total investment in fixed income funds	18,284,719 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -		- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -	- - - - -		: : : :
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected ETF	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	_
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS  Vanguard Total International Bond ETF  DFA World ex US Gov't  VanEck Vectors JP Morgan EM LC Bd ETF  Total investment in international fixed income funds	-	3,613,193 - 3,613,193	- - - -	- - - -	- - - -	- - -	- - - -	- - - -
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 18,284,719	\$ 3,613,193	\$ 189,256,879	\$ 154,636,692	\$ 46,203,087	\$ 33,791,541	\$ 150,790,230	\$ 52,652,197

	iShares Core S&P Small-Cap ETF	Vanguard Russell 2000 Growth Index	State Street MSCI ACWI x USA Index	Vanguard Emerging Market Stock Index	Vanguard Real Estate Index	Total
MONEY MARKET FUNDS Goldman Sachs Financial Square Gov't Money Market	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 190,763,294
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	-	-	-	-	33,440,357	33,440,357
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS						
iShares Core S&P Small-Cap ETF	29,695,345	-	-	_	-	29,695,345
iShares Core S&P Total US Stock Market ETF	· · · ·	-	-	-	-	424,338,534
iShares ESG MSCI USA ETF	-	-	-	-	-	7,073,735
Nuveen ESG Small-Cap ETF	-	-	-	-	-	862,842
State Street S&P 500 Index	-	-	-	-	-	189,256,879
T Rowe Large-Cap Growth	-	-	-	-	-	150,790,230
Vanguard Equity-Income	-	-	-	-	-	33,791,541
Vanguard Extended Market Index	-	-	-	-	-	52,652,197
Vanguard Russell 1000 Value Index	-	-	-	-	-	46,203,087
Vanguard Russell 2000 Growth Index	-	52,304,015	-	-	-	52,304,015
Vanguard Total Stock Market Index	20.605.245					154,636,692
Total investment in U.S. equity funds	29,695,345	52,304,015	-	-	-	1,141,605,097
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS						
iShares ESG MSCI EAFE ETF	-	-	-	-	-	2,456,618
iShares ESG MSCI EM ETF	-	-	-	-	-	858,541
State Street MSCI ACWI ex USA Index	-	-	48,410,099	-	-	48,410,099
Vanguard Emerging Market Stock Index	-	-	-	27,991,239	-	27,991,239
Vanguard FTSE Developed Markets ETF	-	-	-	-	-	119,207,222
Vanguard FTSE Emerging Markets ETF						36,074,956
Total investment in international equity funds	-	-	48,410,099	27,991,239	-	234,998,675
FIXED INCOME FUNDS						
iShares Core US Aggregate Bond ETF	-	_	_	_	_	264,890,889
MetWest Total Return Bond	-	_	_	_	-	18,284,719
Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF	-	-	=	_	=	132,789,658
Vanguard Short-Term Bond Index	-	-	-	-	-	19,415,156
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index	-	-	-	-	-	31,910,082
Total investment in fixed income funds	-	-	-	-	-	467,290,504
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS						
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected ETF	_	_	_	_	_	15,720,636
vanguard Short-Term innation Frotested E11						15,720,030
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS						
Vanguard Total International Bond ETF	-	-	-	-	-	26,475,367
DFA World ex US Gov't	-	-	-	-	-	3,613,193
VanEck Vectors JP Morgan EM LC Bd ETF						9,183,137
Total investment in international fixed income funds						39,271,697
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 29,695,345	\$ 52,304,015	\$ 48,410,099	\$ 27,991,239	\$ 33,440,357	\$ 2,123,090,260

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1. Reporting Entity

The Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust (the Trust), established on January 1, 2001, is designed to qualify as a tax-advantaged qualified tuition program under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan (the Plan) is part of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust. The Trust was established in accordance with Nebraska Legislative Bill 1003 (the Act), as amended, to encourage the investment of funds to be used for qualified higher education expenses at eligible educational institutions. The Trust is comprised of three funds: the Expense Fund, the Administrative Fund, and the Program Fund. The Plan is a series of the Program Fund of the Trust. The NEST Advisor College Savings Plan, the NEST Direct College Savings Plan, and the State Farm 529 Savings Plan are a separate class of accounts in the Trust and are not included in the accompanying financial statements. The Expense Fund and the Administrative Fund are also not included in the accompanying financial statements. Accounts in the Plan have not been registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or with any state securities commission pursuant to exemptions from registration available for securities issued by a public instrumentality of a state.

The financial statements presented reflect only the Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan Series as part of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust and are not intended to present fairly the financial position of the Trust as a whole and the results of its operations in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Act authorizes and appoints the Nebraska State Treasurer as Trustee and responsible for the overall administration of the Plan. The State Treasurer has entered into a management contract with Union Bank and Trust Company (the Program Manager). Under the contract, the Program Manager provides day-to-day administrative and recordkeeping services to the Plan. The Program Manager provides separate accounting for each beneficiary. In addition, the Program Manager administers and maintains overall trust and individual accounts records.

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

#### 1. Reporting Entity – Continued

The Plan is comprised of Age-Based Investment Options, Static Investment Options, and Individual Fund Investment Options. The Age-Based and Static Investment Options invest in specified allocations of domestic equity, real estate, international equity, fixed income and money market Underlying Investments. The Individual Fund Investment Options invest in a single Underlying Investment. The investment options and Underlying Investments have been selected and approved by the Nebraska Investment Council.

Participants in the Plan may designate their accounts be invested in Aged-Based Investment Options designed to reduce the exposure to principal loss the closer in age the beneficiary is to college, Static Investment Options that keep the same asset allocation between equity, real estate, fixed income, money market Underlying Investments, or in Individual Fund Investment Options.

#### 2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The financial statements include the statement of net position available for benefits, statement of changes in net position available for benefits, investment summary and investment detail. The statement of net position available for benefits is a measure of the account's assets and liabilities at the close of the year. The statement of changes in net position available for benefits shows purchases to and redemptions from the account, as well as additions and deductions due to operations during the fiscal year. The investment summary and investment detail reports show summary of all investments at cost and market value and the detail listing of all investments, respectively.

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

#### 3. Security Valuation

Investments in the Underlying Investments are valued at the closing net asset or unit value per share of each Underlying Investment on the day of valuation. The Plan calculates the net asset value of its shares based upon the net asset value of the applicable Underlying Investments, as of the close of the New York Stock Exchange (the Exchange), normally 3:00 P.M. Central time, on each day the Exchange is open for business. The net asset values of the Underlying Investments are determined as of the close of the Exchange, on each day the Exchange is open for trading.

#### 4. Security Transactions and Investment Income

Security transactions are recorded on an average cost basis unless a client requests an alternative method on the trade date. Realized gains and losses on security transaction are determined on the cost basis on the disposition of assets. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date or upon ex-dividend notification.

#### 5. Contributions, Withdrawals, and Distributions

Contributions by a participant are evidenced through the issuance of units in the particular Investment Option. Contributions to and withdrawals from the Investment Options are subject to terms and limitations defined in the Program Disclosure Statement and Participation Agreement between the participant and the Plan. Contributions received by the Program Manager before the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange on any business day are credited to the account to which the contribution is made within one business day.

Withdrawals are based on the unit price calculated for each Investment Option on the business day on which the Program Manager processes the withdrawal request. The earnings portion (if any) of a non-qualified withdrawal will be treated as ordinary income to the recipient and may also be subject to an additional 10% federal tax, as well as partial recapture of any Nebraska state income tax deduction previously claimed.

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

#### 6. Plan Expenses and Fees

Expenses included in the accompanying financial statements reflect the expenses of the Plan. The Underlying Investment expenses are factored into the daily net asset value for each respective Underlying Investment. As such, each Investment Option indirectly bears its proportional share of the fees and expenses of the Underlying Investments in which it invests.

The plan expenses and fees are as follows:

- TD Ameritrade sub-administration fees from January 1, 2021 through July 22, 2021, equal to 0.05% of the average daily net position in each Investment Option.
- TDAIM portfolio consulting fees from January 1, 2021 through July 22, 2021, equal to 0.10% of the net daily market value of the Plan assets invested in Aged-Based and Static Investment Options.
- Program management fee is equal to 0.12% of the average daily net position in each Investment Option.
- State administration fees equal to 0.02% of the average daily net position in each Investment Option.

Underlying Investment fees – each Investment Option also indirectly bears its pro rata share of the fees and expenses of the Underlying Investments. Although these expenses and fees are not charged to the accounts, they will reduce the investment returns realized by each Investment Option. The Underlying Investment fees range from 0.02% to 0.56%.

These fees are accrued daily as a percentage of average daily net position and will be deducted from each Investment Option. These fees will reduce the value of an account.

#### 7. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting year. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

#### 8. Income Taxes

The Program has been designed to comply with the requirements for treatment as a qualified tuition program under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is required.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS

All investments have some degree of risks. The value of the Plan's accounts may vary depending on market conditions, the performance of the Investment Options selected, timing of purchases, and fees. The value of the Plan's accounts could be more or less than the amount contributed to the accounts. The Plan's investments may lose money.

Investments in the Plan are not guaranteed or insured by the FDIC, the SIPC, the State of Nebraska, the Nebraska Investment Council, the Nebraska State Treasurer, Union Bank and Trust Company or its authorized agents or their affiliates, or any other federal or state entity or person.

#### Each Investment Option and Underlying Investment has Risks

Each of the Investment Options and Underlying Investments are subject to certain risks that may affect performance. Set forth below is a list of the major risks applicable to the Investment Options and Underlying Investments. Such list is not an exhaustive list and there are other risks which are not defined below. See the Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan Program Disclosure Statement and the respective prospectuses of the Underlying Investments for a description of the risks associated with the Underlying Investments in which the Investment Options invest.

Market risk. Market risk is the risk that the prices of securities will decline overall. Securities markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising and falling prices. Securities prices change every business day, based on investor reactions to economic, political, market, industry, corporate and other developments. At times, these price changes may be rapid and dramatic. Some factors may affect the market as a whole, while others affect particular industries, firms or sizes or types of securities.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS – CONTINUED

<u>Interest rate risk.</u> Interest rate risk is the risk that securities prices will decline due to rising interest rates. A rise in interest rates typically causes bond prices to fall. Bonds with longer maturities and lower credit quality tend to be more sensitive to changes in interest rates, as are mortgage-backed bonds. Short- and long-term interest rates do not necessarily move the same amount or in the same direction.

Money market investments are also affected by interest rates, particularly short-term rates, but in the opposite way: when short-term interest rates fall, money market yields usually fall as well. Bonds that can be paid off before maturity, such as mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities, tend to be more volatile than other types of debt securities with respect to interest rate changes.

<u>Income risk.</u> Income risk is the chance that a fund's income will decline because of falling interest rates. Income risk is generally high for short-term bond funds, so investors should expect the fund's monthly income to fluctuate.

<u>Income fluctuations.</u> Income distributions on the inflation-protected funds are likely to fluctuate considerably more than the income distributions of a typical bond fund. Income fluctuations associated with changes in interest rates are expected to be low; however, income fluctuations associated with changes in inflation are expected to be high. Overall, investors can expect income fluctuations to be high for an inflation-protected fund.

<u>Foreign investment risk.</u> Investment in foreign stocks and bonds may be more risky than investments in domestic stocks and bonds. Foreign stocks and bonds tend to be more volatile, and may be less liquid, than their U.S. counterparts. The reasons for such volatility can include greater political and social instability, lower market liquidity, higher costs, less stringent investor protections, and inferior information on issuer finances. In addition, the dollar value of most foreign currencies changes daily. All these risks tend to be higher in emerging markets than in developed markets.

<u>Asset-backed securities risk.</u> An Investment Option's performance could suffer to the extent the Underlying Investments are exposed to asset-backed securities, including mortgage-backed securities. Asset-backed securities are subject to early amortization due to amortization or payout events that cause the security to payoff prematurely.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS – CONTINUED

Under those circumstances, an Underlying Investment may not be able to reinvest the proceeds of the payoff at a yield that is as high as that which the asset-backed security paid. In addition, asset-backed securities are subject to fluctuations in interest rates that may affect their yield or the prepayment rates on the underlying assets.

Derivatives risk. Certain of the Underlying Investments may utilize derivatives. There are certain investment risks in using derivatives, including futures contracts, options on futures, interest rate swaps and structured notes. If an Underlying Investment incorrectly forecasts interest rates in using derivatives, the Underlying Investment and any Investment Option invested in it could lose money. Price movements of a futures contract, option or structured notes may not be identical to price movements of portfolio securities or a securities index, resulting in the risk that, when an underlying investment fund buys a futures contract or option as a hedge, the hedge may not be completely effective. The use of these management techniques also involves the risk of loss if the advisor to an Underlying Investment is incorrect in its expectation of fluctuations in securities prices, interest rates or currency prices. Investments in derivatives may be illiquid, difficult to price and result in leverage so that small changes may produce disproportionate losses for the Underlying Investment. Investments in derivatives may be subject to counterparty risk to a greater degree than more traditional investments. Please see the Underlying Investments prospectus for complete details.

<u>Concentration risk.</u> To the extent that an Underlying Investment or an Investment Option is exposed to securities of a single country, region, industry, structure or size, its performance may be unduly affected by factors common to the type of securities involved.

<u>Index sampling risk.</u> Index sampling risk is the chance that the securities selected for an Underlying Investment, in the aggregate, will not provide investment performance matching that of the Underlying Investment's target index.

<u>Issuer risk.</u> Changes in an issuer's business prospects or financial condition, including those resulting from concerns over accounting or corporate governance practices, could significantly affect an Investment Option's performance if the Investment Option has sufficient exposure to those securities.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS – CONTINUED

<u>Credit risk.</u> The value or yield of a bond or money market security could fall if its credit backing deteriorates. In more extreme cases, default or the threat of default could cause a security to lose most or all of its value. Credit risks are higher in high-yield bonds.

Management risk. An Investment Option's performance could suffer if the investment fund or funds in which it invests underperform.

<u>Call risk.</u> This is the chance that during periods of falling interest rates, issuers of callable bonds may call (redeem) securities with higher coupons or interest rates before their maturity dates. The Underlying Investment would then lose any price appreciation above the bond's call price and would be forced to reinvest the unanticipated proceeds at lower interest rates, resulting in a decline in the Underlying Investment's income. Such redemptions and subsequent reinvestments would also increase the Underlying Investment's portfolio turnover rate.

Extension risk. This is the chance that during periods of rising interest rates, certain debt securities will be paid off substantially more slowly than originally anticipated, and the value of those securities may fall. For Underlying Investments that invest in mortgage-backed securities, extension risk is the chance that during periods of rising interest rates, homeowners will prepay their mortgages at slower rates.

Emerging markets risk. Underlying Investments that invest in foreign securities may also be subject to emerging markets risk, which is the chance that the stocks of companies located in emerging markets will be substantially more volatile, and substantially less liquid, than the stocks of companies located in more developed foreign markets because, among other factors, emerging markets can have greater custodial and operational risks; less developed legal, regulatory and accounting systems; and greater political, social and economic instability than developed markets.

<u>Investment style risk.</u> This is the chance that returns from the types of stocks in which an Underlying Investment invests will trail returns from the overall stock market. Specific types of stocks (for instance, small-capitalization stocks) tend to go through cycles of doing better (or worse) than the stock market in general. These periods have, in the past, lasted for as long as several years.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS – CONTINUED

<u>Prepayment risk.</u> This is the chance that during periods of falling interest rates, homeowners will refinance their mortgages before their maturity dates, resulting in prepayment of mortgage-backed securities held by an Underlying Investment. The Underlying Investment would then lose any price appreciation above the mortgage's principal and would be forced to reinvest the unanticipated proceeds at lower interest rates, resulting in a decline in the Underlying Investment's income. Such prepayments and subsequent reinvestments would also increase the Underlying Investment's portfolio turnover rate.

Infectious Illness Risk. An outbreak of an infectious respiratory illness, COVID19, caused by a novel coronavirus has resulted in travel restrictions, disruption of healthcare systems, prolonged quarantines, cancellations, supply chain disruptions, lower consumer demand, layoffs, ratings downgrades, defaults and other significant economic impacts. Certain markets have experienced temporary closures, extreme volatility, severe losses, reduced liquidity and increased trading costs. These events may have an impact on the Underlying Investments and could impact the ability to purchase or sell securities or cause elevated tracking error and increased premiums or discounts to the Underlying Investments NAV. Other infectious illness outbreaks in the future may result in similar impacts.

<u>Cybersecurity risk.</u> The Plan places significant reliance on the computer systems of its service providers and partners. Thus, the Plan may be susceptible to operational and information security risks resulting from cyber threats and cyber-attacks which may adversely affect your account and cause it to lose value. For example, cyber threats and cyber-attacks may interfere with your ability to make contributions to, exchanges within or distributions from your accounts. Cyber threats and cyber-attacks may also impede trading and/or result in the collection and use of personally identifiable information of an account owner, Beneficiary or others.

Cybersecurity risks include security or privacy incidents such as human error, unauthorized release, theft, misuse, corruption and destruction of account data maintained by the Plan online or in digital form. Cybersecurity risks also include denial of service, viruses, malware, hacking, bugs, security vulnerabilities in software, attacks on technology operations and other disruptions that could impede the Plan's ability to maintain routine operations. Although the Plan's service providers and partners undertake efforts to protect their computer systems from cyber threats and cyber-attacks, there are no guarantees that the Plan or your account will avoid losses due to cyber threats or cyber-attacks.

#### NOTE C. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value.

The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level I measurements) and the lowest priority to measurements involving significant unobservable inputs (Level III measurements).

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level I – unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities including securities actively traded on a securities exchange.

Level II – inputs other than unadjusted quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability (such as unadjusted quoted prices for similar assets and market corroborated inputs such as interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.).

Level III – significant unobservable inputs (including management's own judgments about assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability).

The inputs used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities.

The Plan classifies each of its investments in those Underlying Investments which are publicly offered and reported on an exchange as Level I, and those Underlying Investments which are not publicly offered as Level II without consideration as to the classification level of the specific investment held by the Underlying Investments. The level in the fair value hierarchy within which a fair value measurement in its entirety falls is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

#### NOTE C. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT – CONTINUED

The following table presents assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2021:

	Fair Value	Level I	Level II	Level III
Money Market				
Funds	\$ 190,763,294	\$ 190,763,294	\$ -	\$ -
U.S. Equity Mutual				
Funds	33,440,357	33,440,357	-	-
U.S. Real Estate				
Mutual Funds	1,141,605,097	952,348,217	189,256,880	-
International Equity				
Mutual Funds	234,998,675	186,588,577	48,410,098	-
Fixed Income Mutual				
Funds	467,290,504	467,290,504	-	-
Fixed Income Mutual				
Funds TIPS	15,720,636	15,720,636	-	-
International Fixed				
Income Funds	39,271,697	39,271,697		
	\$ 2,123,090,260	\$1,885,423,282	\$237,666,978	\$ -

To value Level I investments: The fair value of Level I investments are determined by obtaining quoted market prices on nationally recognized securities exchanges.

To value Level II investments: The fair value of Level II investments are determined based on quoted prices that were obtained directly from the fund companies through confirmations for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active.

#### NOTE D. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust consists of four separate 529 plans (NEST Direct College Savings Plan, NEST Advisor College Savings Plan, Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan and the State Farm 529 Savings Plan).

As of April 13, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan did not have any subsequent events affecting the amounts reported in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021, or which are required to be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements for the year then ended.



# Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan

# SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS IN AND PARTICIPANT DISTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS OUT

For the year ended December 31, 2021

Contributions from plan participants		\$ 216,630,228
Transfers in from plan participants		39,202,656
Gross Investment Changes/Transfers Portfolio rounding	\$ 531,967,240 (11,614)	
Adjusted Investment Changes/Transfers	\$ 531,955,626	 531,955,626
Contributions/Exchanges/Transfers		\$ 787,788,510
Distributions to plan participants		\$ 169,370,457
Transfers out to plan participants		37,555,759
Investment Changes/Transfers		531,967,240
Distributions/Exchanges/Transfers		\$ 738,893,456



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Trustee, Program Manager, Investment Manager, and Participants and Beneficiaries of the Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the statement of net position available for benefits of the Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net position available for benefits, the investment summary, investment detail, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 13, 2022.

# **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan's internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.



Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this 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. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Hayes & Associates, L.L.C.

Hayes & Associates, LLC

Omaha, Nebraska

April 13, 2022

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# State Farm® 529 Savings Plan

The State Farm 529 College Savings Plan offers a flexible investment structure with high-quality underlying investments.

The Plan offers 8 investment portfolios including 1 Age-Based Option and 7 Static Investment Options ranging from aggressive to conservative; including the Bank Savings Static Investment Option (an FDIC-insured option), to create a customized allocation portfolio.

As of September 30, 2022, the State Farm 529 Savings Plan had 56,545 accounts and \$594,635,686 in assets.

The State Farm 529 Savings Plan audited financial statements performed by Hayes & Associates for the period of January 1-December 31, 2021, are provided.



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# State Farm® 529 Savings Plan Age-Based Investment Option

Contributions are placed in a portfolio according to the child's age. As the child ages, the allocations automatically adjust to become more conservative.

The Age-Based Investment Option generally invests in a mix of domestic equity, real estate, international equity, international bond, fixed income funds, (including bond, short-term bond, and

inflation-protected securities), and cash equivalent investments (a money market fund) allocated based on the current age of the Beneficiary. Each Aged-Based band adjusts over time so that as the Beneficiary nears college enrollment age the Portfolio's allocation between domestic equity, real estate, international equity, international bond, fixed income funds, and cash equivalent investments becomes more conservative relative to the allocation in earlier years.





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# State Farm Age-Based Asset Allocations (As of Period Ending: 9/30/2022)

	Dom Equ	estic uity	U.S. Real Estate	International Equity	International Bond		Domestic Fixed Income	•	Cash Equivalents
	Large Cap	Small-Mid Cap Core	Real Estate	International Equity	World Bond	Fixed Income			Money Market
	State Street S&P 500®1 Index	Vanguard Extended Market ETF	Vanguard Real Estate ETF	State Street MSCI² ACWI ex USA Index	DFA World ex-US Gov't Fixed Income	iShares Core US Aggregate ETF	Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF	Vanguard Short- Term Inflation Protected ETF	Goldman Sachs Financial Square <sup>SM</sup> Govt Money Market <sup>3</sup>
	N/A	VXF	VNQ	N/A	DWFIX	AGG	AGG BSV VTIP		FGTXX
Age 0-2	61.00%	10.50%	5.25%	23.25%	_	_	_	_	_
Age 3-5	58.00%	10.00%	5.00%	22.00%	_	5.00%	_	_	_
Age 6-8	52.00%	8.00%	5.00%	20.00%	2.00%	13.00%	_	_	_
Age 9-10	46.00%	7.00%	4.50%	17.50%	2.50%	17.50%	3.00%	_	2.00%
Age 11-12	40.00%	6.00%	4.00%	15.00%	3.00%	22.00%	6.00%	_	4.00%
Age 13-14	34.00%	5.00%	3.50%	12.50%	3.50%	23.50%	9.50%	_	8.50%
Age 15-16	28.00%	4.00%	3.00%	10.00%	4.00%	25.00%	13.00%	_	13.00%
Age 17-18	22.00%	3.00%	2.50%	7.50%	4.00%	26.50%	15.00%	2.50%	17.00%
19+	16.00%	2.00%	2.00%	5.00%	4.00%	28.00%	17.00%	5.00%	21.00%



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# State Farm® 529 Savings Plan Static Investment Option

Each Static Investment Option offers a fixed allocation to underlying funds throughout the life of the investment.

The Static Investment Options are asset allocation Investment Options that invest in a set or "static" mix of domestic equity, real estate, international equity, international bond, fixed income, FDIC-insured bank savings account or money market funds.

The Static Investment Options keep the same asset allocation between domestic equity, real estate, international equity, international bond, fixed income, and money market funds over the life of your account. Unlike the Age-Based Investment Option, they do not move to a more conservative allocation mix as the Beneficiary approaches college enrollment.

The seven Static Investment Options you may choose from are the All Equity, Growth, Moderate Growth, Balanced, Conservative, Money Market and Bank Savings asset allocation investments.



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# State Farm Static Asset Allocations

(As of Period Ending: 9/30/2022)

	Dom Equ	estic uity	U.S. Real Estate	Int'l Equity	Int'l Bond		Domestic Fixed Incom	e	Cash Equivale	
	Large Cap	Small-Mid Cap Core	Real Estate	Int'l Equity	World Bond	Fixed Income	Short-Term Bond	TIPS	Money Market	FDIC Insured
	State Street S&P 500 <sup>®1</sup> Index	Vanguard Extended Market ETF	Vanguard Real Estate ETF	State Street MSCI <sup>2</sup> ACWI ex USA Index	DFA World ex-US Gov't Fixed Income	iShares Core US Aggregate ETF	Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF	Vanguard Short- Term Inflation Protected ETF	Goldman Sachs Financial Square <sup>sM</sup> Govt MM³	Bank Savings
	N/A	VXF	VNQ	N/A	DWFIX	AGG	BSV	VTIP	FGTXX	N/A
All Equity	61.00%	10.50%	5.25%	23.25%	<u> </u>	·	_	_	_	_
Growth	52.00%	8.00%	5.00%	20.00%	2.00%	13.00%	_	_	I	_
Moderate Growth	40.00%	6.00%	4.00%	15.00%	3.00%	22.00%	6.00%		4.00%	
Balanced	34.00%	5.00%	3.50%	12.50%	3.50%	23.50%	9.50%	_	8.50%	_
Conservative	16.00%	2.00%	2.00%	5.00%	4.00%	28.00%	17.00%	5.00%	21.00%	_
Money Market	_	_	_	_		_	_	_	100.00%	_
Bank Savings	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	_	100.00%



# Performance as of September 30, 2022





The performance data shown represents past performance. Past performance - especially short-term performance - is not a guarantee of future results. Performance information is current as of the most recent timeframe referenced above and is net of the Underlying Investment expenses, program management fee, the state administration fee, and the distribution and marketing fee. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate, so that investors' units, when sold, may be worth more or less than their original cost. Current performance may be lower or higher than the performance data cited. For further information about investments and for the most recent month-end performance data, please visit our website at statefarm.com.

		Total Return	Total Returns with Maximum Sales Charges <sup>5</sup>										
	Quarter	Year to	,	Average /	Annualiz	ed	Quarter	Year to	,	Average	Annualiz	ed	1
Investment Option Name	Ending	Date				Since <sup>2</sup>	Ending	Date				Since <sup>2</sup>	Inception
Benchmark <sup>1</sup>	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	Inception	9/30/2022	9/30/2022	1 year	3 year	5 year	Inception	Date <sup>3</sup>
Age-Based Investment Options													
Age-Based 0-2	-6.31%	-25.66%	-19.84%	4.53%	-	4.23%	-9.59%	-28.26%	-22.64%	3.30%	-	3.34%	8/3/2018
NEST Benchmark 0-2 yr Index	-6.12%	-25.50%	-19.62%	5.04%	-		-6.12%	-25.50%	-19.62%	5.04%	-		
Age-Based 3-5	-6.20%	-25.13%	-19.56%	4.20%	-	4.06%	-9.48%	-27.75%	-22.38%	2.97%	-	3.17%	8/3/2018
NEST Benchmark 3-5 yr Index	-6.03%	-24.96%	-19.33%	4.70%	-		-6.03%	-24.96%	-19.33%	4.70%	-		
Age-Based 6-8	-6.15%	-24.08%	-18.99%	3.34%	-	3.63%	-9.43%	-26.74%	-21.83%	2.12%	-	2.75%	8/3/2018
NEST Benchmark 6-8 yr Index	-5.91%	-23.81%	-18.63%	3.91%	-		-5.91%	-23.81%	-18.63%	3.91%	-		
Age-Based 9-10	-5.76%	-22.48%	-17.92%	2.76%	-	3.31%	-9.06%	-25.19%	-20.79%	1.55%	-	2.43%	8/3/2018
NEST Benchmark 9-10 yr Index	-5.55%	-22.22%	-17.56%	3.33%	-		-5.55%	-22.22%	-17.56%	3.33%	-		
Age-Based 11-12	-5.45%	-20.91%	-16.95%	2.13%	-	2.92%	-8.76%	-23.68%	-19.86%	0.92%	-	2.04%	8/3/2018
NEST Benchmark 11-12 yr Index	-5.20%	-20.63%	-16.49%	2.72%	-		-5.20%	-20.63%	-16.49%	2.72%	-		
Age-Based 13-14	-4.97%	-19.04%	-15.59%	1.58%	-	2.54%	-8.29%	-21.87%	-18.54%	0.38%	-	1.67%	8/3/2018
NEST Benchmark 13-14 yr Index	-4.70%	-18.63%	-15.05%	2.20%	-		-4.70%	-18.63%	-15.05%	2.20%	-		
Age-Based 15-16	-4.46%	-17.02%	-14.15%	1.00%	-	2.14%	-7.81%	-19.93%	-17.16%	-0.20%	-	1.27%	8/3/2018
NEST Benchmark 15-16 yr Index	-4.22%	-16.61%	-13.61%	1.64%	-		-4.22%	-16.61%	-13.61%	1.64%	-		
Age-Based 17-18	-4.10%	-14.94%	-12.66%	0.50%	-	1.78%	-7.46%	-17.92%	-15.72%	-0.69%	-	0.91%	8/3/2018
NEST Benchmark 17-18 yr Index	-3.77%	-14.51%	-12.09%	1.14%	-		-3.77%	-14.51%	-12.09%	1.14%	-		
Age-Based 19+	-3.56%	-12.85%	-11.17%	-0.03%	-	1.36%	-6.93%	-15.90%	-14.28%	-1.21%	-	0.50%	8/3/2018
NEST Benchmark 19+ yr Index	-3.32%	-12.38%	-10.57%	0.60%	-		-3.32%	-12.38%	-10.57%	0.60%	-		
Static Investment Options													
All Equity Static	-6.31%	-25.66%	-19.84%	4.53%	-	4.23%	-9.59%	-28.26%	-22.64%	3.30%	-	3.34%	8/3/2018
All Equity Static Benchmark	-6.12%	-25.50%	-19.62%	5.04%	-		-6.12%	-25.50%	-19.62%	5.04%	-		
Growth Static	-6.15%	-24.08%	-18.99%	3.34%	-	3.63%	-9.43%	-26.74%	-21.83%	2.12%	-	2.75%	8/3/2018
Growth Static Benchmark	-5.91%	-23.81%	-18.63%	3.91%	-		-5.91%	-23.81%	-18.63%	3.91%	-		
Moderate Growth Static	-5.45%	-20.91%	-16.95%	2.13%	-	2.92%	-8.76%	-23.68%	-19.86%	0.92%	-	2.04%	8/3/2018
Moderate Growth Static Benchmark	-5.20%	-20.63%	-16.49%	2.72%	-		-5.20%	-20.63%	-16.49%	2.72%	-		
Balanced Static	-5.05%	-19.04%	-15.65%	1.55%	-	2.54%	-8.37%	-21.87%	-18.61%	0.35%	-	1.67%	8/3/2018
Balanced Static Benchmark	-4.70%	-18.63%	-15.05%	2.20%	-		-4.70%	-18.63%	-15.05%	2.20%	-		
Conservative Static	-3.56%	-12.78%	-11.09%	0.00%	-	1.36%	-6.93%	-15.83%	-14.20%	-1.18%	-	0.50%	8/3/2018
Conservative Static Benchmark	-3.32%	-12.38%	-10.57%	0.60%	-		-3.32%	-12.38%	-10.57%	0.60%	-		
Money Market Static <sup>6</sup>	0.49%	0.68%	0.68%	0.39%	-	0.81%	0.49%	0.68%	0.68%	0.39%	-	0.81%	8/3/2018
FTSE 3-Month T-Bill	0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	0.57%	-		0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	0.57%	-		
Bank Savings Static <sup>7</sup>	0.49%	0.68%	0.78%	0.65%	-	0.81%	0.49%	0.68%	0.78%	0.65%	-	0.81%	8/3/2018
FTSE 3-Month T-Bill	0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	0.57%	_		0.45%	0.62%	0.63%	0.57%	-		

<sup>1</sup> Each benchmark is not managed. Therefore, its performance does not reflect management fees, expenses or the imposition of front-end sales loads.

<sup>6</sup>Although the money market fund in which an Investment Option may invest (the underlying fund) seeks to preserve the value at \$1.00 per share, it cannot guarantee it will do so. Because the share price of the fund will fluctuate, when the shares are sold they may be worth more or less than what was originally paid for them. The fund may impose a fee upon sale of shares or may temporarily suspend the ability to sell shares if the fund's liquidity falls below required minimums because of market conditions or other factors. An investment in the fund is not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation or any other government agency. The fund's sponsor has no legal obligation to provide financial support to the fund, and you should not expect that the sponsor will provide financial support to the fund at any time.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Since Inception Returns for less than one year are not annualized.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>The current Program Manager resumed managing the Plan 3pm CT December 4, 2020. Share price and performance information prior to December 4, 2020 was provided by the previous program manager as the true, accurate and complete program records and has not been independently audited by the current Program Manager.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Total Returns calculated without Up-Front Sales Load

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 5}$  Total Returns calculated with maximum Up-Front Sales Load of 3.50%

<sup>7</sup> The underlying omnibus bank accounts annual percentage yield is 2.53% as of August 1, 2022. This rate is variable and subject to change at any time. There is no minimum balance required to obtain this rate. Interest earnings realized by participants will be reduced by the program management fee and state administrative fee.

An investor should consider the Plan's investment objectives, risks, charges and expenses before investing. The Program Disclosure Statement available at StateFarm.com which contains more information, should be read carefully before investing. Investors should consider before investing whether their or their beneficiary's home state offers any state tax or other state benefits such as financial aid, scholarship funds, and protection from creditors that are only available for investments in such state's qualified tuition program and should consult their tax advisor, attorney and/or other advisor regarding their specific legal, investment or tax situation. Investing involves risk, including potential for loss.

The State Farm 529 Savings Plan (the "Plan") is sponsored by the State of Nebraska, administered by the Nebraska State Treasurer, as Trustee, and the Nebraska Investment Council provides investment oversight. Union Bank and Trust Company serves as program manager and Northern Trust Securities, Inc. serves as distributor. The Plan offers a series of Investment Options within the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust (the "Trust") which offers other Investment Options not affiliated with the Plan. The Plan is intended to operate as a qualified tuition program to be used only to save for qualified education expenses, pursuant to Section 529 of the U.S. Internal Revenue Code.

Except for the Bank Savings Static Investment Option, investments in the State Farm 529 Savings Plan are not guaranteed or insured by the FDIC or any other government agency and are not deposits or other obligations of any depository institution. Investments are not guaranteed or insured by the State of Nebraska, the Nebraska State Treasurer, the Nebraska Investment Council, State Farm VP Management Corp, the Distributor, or the Program Manager or its authorized agents or their affiliates, and are subject to investment risks, including loss of the principal amount invested. FDIC insurance is provided for the Bank Savings Investment Option up to the maximum amount set by federal law, currently \$250,000.

#### NOT FDIC INSURED\* | NO BANK GUARANTEE | MAY LOSE VALUE

\*Except the Underlying Investment of the Bank Savings Static Option







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NEBRASKA EDUCATIONAL SAVINGS PLAN TRUST-State Farm 529 Savings Plan FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT For the year ended December 31, 2021

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Trustee, Program Manager, Investment Manager, and Participants and Beneficiaries of the State Farm 529 Savings Plan

#### **Report on the Financial Statements**

#### **Opinion**

We have audited the accompanying statement of net position available for benefits of the State Farm 529 Savings Plan (the Plan) which is part of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust (the Trust), as of December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net position available for benefits, investment summary, investment detail, and related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the Plan's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents for the year ended December 31, 2021.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements, including the investment summary and investment detail, present fairly, in all material respects, the respective net position of the Plan, as of December 31, 2021, and the respective changes in net position available for benefits, investment summary, investment detail, and related notes to the financial statements for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

#### **Basis for Opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS) and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of the Plan and to meet our other ethical responsibilities, in accordance with the relevant ethical requirements relating to our audit. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinions

### Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

The Plan's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, and 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.



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 Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that the financial statements are issued.

#### **Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Statements**

Our objectives 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 auditor's report that includes our opinions. 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 GAAS will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. 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. Misstatements 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

In performing an audit in accordance with GAAS, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding 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 Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is
  expressed.
- 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.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

We are required to communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit, significant audit findings, and certain internal control—related matters that we identified during the audit.

#### **Required Supplementary Information**

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the management's discussion and analysis on pages 5 and 6 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context.

We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

#### **Supplementary Information**

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that comprise the Plan's basic financial statements. The schedule of participant contributions and transfers in and participant distributions and transfers out is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements.

The schedule of participant contributions and transfers in and participant distributions and transfers out is the responsibility of management and was derived from and related directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Such information has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the schedule of participant contributions and transfers in and participant distributions and transfers out is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements as a whole.

#### **Emphasis of Matter**

As discussed in Note A, the financial statements present only the State Farm 529 Savings Plan, and are not intended to present fairly the financial position of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust as a whole and the results of its operations in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

#### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated April 13, 2022, on our consideration of the Plan's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Plan's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Hayes & Associates, L.L.C.

Hayes & Associates, LLC

Omaha, Nebraska April 13, 2022

#### **Management's Discussion and Analysis**

The Nebraska State Treasurer's Office provides this Management's Discussion and Analysis of the Plan's annual financial statements. This narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Plan is for the year ended December 31, 2021. We encourage readers to consider this information in conjunction with the Plan's financial statements, which follow this section.

#### **Using these Financial Statements**

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Plan's financial statements, which consist of the Statement of Net Position Available for Benefits, Statement of Changes in Net Position Available for Benefits, Investment Summary, Investment Detail, and Notes to the Financial Statements. These financial statements provide information about the activities of the Plan as a whole and of the Investment Options within the Plan and are based on the accrual basis of accounting.

The financial statements are further described as follows:

The Statement of Net Positions Available for Benefits presents the assets, liabilities and net position of the Plan.

The Statement of Changes in Net Position Available for Benefit presents the income, expenses, realized and unrealized gain/loss, and ending net position as a resulting of the operations of the Plan.

The Investment Summary presents the cost basis, market value, and unrealized gain/loss on the Plan's underlying investments at the Plan level.

The Investment Detail presents the number of units, their cost basis, the price per unit, market value, and the unrealized gain/loss of the underlying investments held by the Plan in each of the Plan's Investment Options.

The Notes to Financial Statements provide additional information essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the financial statements.

#### **Financial Analysis of the Plan**

During the year ended December 31, 2021, the Plan received \$317,622,877 in contributions from participants and distributed \$328,799,911 to participants and beneficiaries. The Plan's financial activity for the year ended December 31, 2021, resulted in an increase in net position of \$73,754,931.

Condensed financial information as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and period December 5 through December 31, 2020, is as follows:

	Dec	ember 31, 2021	December 31, 2020				
Cash and investments	\$	759,104,973	\$	685,189,291			
Dividends receivable		787,826		691,208			
Total assets		759,892,799		685,880,499			
Liabilities		1,634,499		1,377,130			
Net position	\$	758,258,300	\$	684,503,369			
			F	or the period			
	For	the year ended	Dece	ember 5 through			
	Dec	ember 31, 2021	Dec	ember 31, 2020			
Additions:							
Contributions	\$	317,622,877	\$	41,266,909			
Net increase in fair							
value of investments		82,850,008		7,506,378			
Dividends and mutual fund distributions		5,110,689		1,121,183			
Transfer from prior program manager		_		677,084,044			
Total additions		405,583,574		726,978,514			
Deductions:							
Distributions		328,799,911		42,282,909			
Administrative expenses		3,028,732		192,236			
Total deductions		331,828,643		42,475,145			
Net increase		73,754,931		684,503,369			
Net position, beginning of year		684,503,369		-			
Net position, end of year	\$	758,258,300	\$	684,503,369			

Total additions decreased primarily due to the transfer in from the previous program manager during the prior period. An increase in contributions and distributions is primarily the result of a full year compared to the short reporting period December 5 through December 31, 2020.

#### **CONTACTING THE NEBRASKA STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE**

This financial report is designed to present users with a general overview of the Plan's finances and to demonstrate the Plan's accountability for the funds held in custody. If you have questions about the report or need additional information, please contact the Nebraska State Treasurer's Office at their College Savings Division located in the Nebraska State Capitol, Room 2005, P.O. Box 94788, Lincoln, NE 68509-4788.

# Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust State Farm 529 Savings Plan STATEMENT OF NET POSITION AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS December 31, 2021

ASSETS	
Cash	\$ 1,154,133
Investments:	
Cost	685,389,282
Unrealized gain/loss - investments	72,561,558
Total investments	 757,950,840
Dividends receivable	787,826
Total assets	 759,892,799
LIABILITIES	
Payables:	
Distributions to plan administrator	821,736
Accrued expenses	812,763
Total liabilities	1,634,499
NET POSITION	\$ 758,258,300

# Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust State Farm 529 Savings Plan

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET POSITION AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

For the year ended December 31, 2021

Net Position - Beginning of Period	\$ 684,503,369
Receipts	
Contributions/Exchanges/Transfers	317,622,877
Investment income:	
Dividends and mutual fund distributions	5,110,689
Realized gain/loss	10,288,450
Unrealized gain/loss- investments	72,561,558
Total receipts	405,583,574
Disbursements:	
Administrative Expenses:	
Fees	
Management fee	1,077,064
State administative fee	145,563
12b-1 fees	1,797,399
Other operating expenses	8,706
Distributions/Exchanges/Transfers	328,799,911
Total Disbursements	331,828,643
Net Position - End of Period	\$ 758,258,300

# Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust State Farm 529 Savings Plan INVESTMENT SUMMARY December 31, 2021

	 Cost	N	Market Value	Unrealized Gain/Loss			
INVESTMENT DISTRIBUTION Unit of Participation	\$ 685,389,282	\$	757,950,840	\$	72,561,558		
Total Investments	\$ 685,389,282	\$	757,950,840	\$	72,561,558		

#### Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust State Farm 529 Savings Plan SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS December 31, 2021

	Bank Savings Static		Money Market Static		Fund 25 nservative Static	Fund 35 Age-Based 17-18		Fund 45 Age-Based 15-16	
BANK SAVINGS NE Bank Savings NELNET NE Bank Savings UBT Total investment in bank savings	\$	2,024,855 2,024,855 4,049,710	\$ - - -	\$	- - -	\$	- - -	\$ - - -	
MONEY MARKET FUNDS Goldman Sachs Financial Square Gov't Money Market		-	8,436,015		586,655		16,782,121	11,194,494	
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF		-	-		57,570		2,582,286	2,681,653	
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS State Street S&P 500 Index Vanguard Extended Market ETF Total investment in U.S. equity funds		- - -	- - -		445,761 55,861 501,622		22,040,171 3,020,643 25,060,814	 24,435,955 3,438,619 27,874,574	
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS State Street MSCI ACWI ex USA Index		-	-		141,255		7,593,763	8,784,545	
FIXED INCOME FUNDS iShares Core US Aggregate ETF Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF Total investment in fixed income funds		- - -	- - -		782,085 473,781 1,255,866		26,130,908 14,742,495 40,873,403	21,524,276 11,140,682 32,664,958	
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected ETF		-	-		138,997		2,422,360	-	
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex-US Gov't Fixed Income			 		111,547		3,928,669	3,433,811	
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$	4,049,710	\$ 8,436,015	\$	2,793,512	\$	99,243,416	\$ 86,634,035	

#### Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust State Farm 529 Savings Plan SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS December 31, 2021

	Fund 55 Balanced Static	Fund 65 Age-Based 11-12	 Fund 75 Age-Based 09-10	Fund 85 Age-Based 06-08	 Fund 95 Age-Based 03-05
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ - - -	\$ - - -
MONEY MARKET FUNDS Goldman Sachs Financial Square Gov't Money Market	297,807	3,416,811	1,107,639	-	-
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	128,917	3,550,107	2,548,905	5,627,924	862,492
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS State Street S&P 500 Index Vanguard Extended Market ETF Total investment in U.S. equity funds	 1,194,811 172,166 1,366,977	34,732,894 5,134,451 39,867,345	25,528,831 3,811,472 29,340,303	56,014,737 8,200,205 64,214,942	 9,775,964 1,682,824 11,458,788
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS State Street MSCI ACWI ex USA Index	442,181	13,076,066	9,688,358	21,226,215	3,724,112
FIXED INCOME FUNDS iShares Core US Aggregate ETF Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF Total investment in fixed income funds	 817,160 331,059 1,148,219	18,805,846 5,088,933 23,894,779	9,580,826 1,644,559 11,225,385	 13,617,750	838,376 - 838,376
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected ETF	-	-	-	-	-
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex-US Gov't Fixed Income	 122,225	2,541,968	 1,364,402	2,038,115	 
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 3,506,326	\$ 86,347,076	\$ 55,274,992	\$ 106,724,946	\$ 16,883,768

#### Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust State Farm 529 Savings Plan SCHEDULE OF INVESTMENTS December 31, 2021

	Fund 100 Age-Based 00-02	Fund 25 Age-Based 19+	Fund 55 Age-Based 13-14	Total
BANK SAVINGS  NE Bank Savings NELNET  NE Bank Savings UBT  Total investment in bank savings	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ - -	\$ 2,024,855 2,024,855 4,049,710
MONEY MARKET FUNDS Goldman Sachs Financial Square Gov't Money Market	-	20,414,236	6,580,587	68,816,365
U.S. REAL ESTATE FUNDS Vanguard Real Estate ETF	6,250,566	2,017,616	2,833,014	29,141,050
U.S. EQUITY FUNDS State Street S&P 500 Index Vanguard Extended Market ETF Total investment in U.S. equity funds	69,587,736 11,074,690 80,662,426	15,761,582 1,968,311 17,729,893	26,731,477 3,885,500 30,616,977	286,249,919 42,444,742 328,694,661
INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUNDS State Street MSCI ACWI ex USA Index	25,557,155	4,979,868	9,829,244	105,042,762
FIXED INCOME FUNDS iShares Core US Aggregate ETF Vanguard Short-Term Bond ETF Total investment in fixed income funds	- - -	27,217,004 16,506,504 43,723,508	18,237,485 7,315,425 25,552,910	137,551,716 57,243,438 194,795,154
FIXED INCOME TIPS FUNDS  Vanguard Short-Term Inflation Protected ETF	-	4,788,578	-	7,349,935
INTERNATIONAL FIXED INCOME FUNDS DFA World ex-US Gov't Fixed Income		3,825,761	2,694,705	20,061,203
TOTAL INVESTMENTS	\$ 112,470,147	\$ 97,479,460	\$ 78,107,437	\$ 757,950,840

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### 1. Reporting Entity

The Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust (the Trust), established on January 1, 2001, is designed to qualify as a tax-advantaged qualified tuition program under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

The State Farm 529 Savings Plan (the Plan) is part of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust. The Trust was established in accordance with Nebraska Legislative Bill 1003 (the Act), as amended, to encourage the investment of funds to be used for qualified higher education expenses at eligible educational institutions. The Trust is comprised of three funds: the Expense Fund, the Administrative Fund, and the Program Fund. The Plan is a series of the Program Fund of the Trust. The Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan, the NEST Direct College Savings Plan, and the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan are a separate class of accounts in the Trust and are not included in the accompanying financial statements. The Expense Fund and the Administrative Fund are also not included in the accompanying financial statements. Accounts in the Plan have not been registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or with any state securities commission pursuant to exemptions from registration available for securities issued by a public instrumentality of a state.

The financial statements presented reflect only the State Farm 529 Savings Plan Series as part of the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust and are not intended to present fairly the financial position of the Trust as a whole and the results of its operations in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The Act authorizes and appoints the Nebraska State Treasurer as Trustee and responsible for the overall administration of the Plan. The State Treasurer has entered into a management contract with Union Bank and Trust Company (the Program Manager). Under the contract, the Program Manager provides day-to-day administrative and recordkeeping services to the Plan. The Program Manager provides separate accounting for each beneficiary. In addition, the Program Manager administers and maintains overall trust and individual accounts records.

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

#### 1. Reporting Entity – Continued

The Plan is comprised of an Age-Based Investment Option and Static Investment Options. The Age-Based and Static Investment Options invest in specified allocations of domestic equity, real estate, international equity, fixed income and cash equivalent Underlying Investments. The Investment Options and Underlying Investments have been selected and approved by the Nebraska Investment Council.

Participants in the Plan may designate their accounts be invested in the Aged-Based Investment Option designed to reduce the exposure to principal loss the closer in age the beneficiary is to college or Static Investment Options that keep the same asset allocation between equity, real estate, fixed income, and cash equivalent Underlying Investments.

## 2. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements have been prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. The financial statements include the statement of net position available for benefits, statement of changes in net position available for benefits, investment summary and investment detail. The statement of net position available for benefits is a measure of the account's assets and liabilities at the close of the period. The statement of changes in net position available for benefits shows purchase to and redemptions from the account, as well as additions and deductions due to operations during the period. The investment summary and investment detail reports show summary of all investments at cost and market value and the detail listing of all investments, respectively.

#### 3. Security Valuation

Investments in the Underlying Investments are valued at the closing net asset or unit value per share of each Underlying Investments on the day of valuation. The Plan calculates the net asset value of its shares based upon the net asset value of the applicable Underlying Investments, as of the close of the New York Stock Exchange (the Exchange), normally 3:00 P.M. Central time, on each day the Exchange is open for business. The net asset values of the Underlying Investments are determined as of the close of the Exchange, on each day the Exchange is open for trading.

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

#### 4. Security Transactions and Investment Income

Security transactions are recorded on an average cost basis unless a client requests an alternative method on the trade date. Realized gains and losses on security transaction are determined on the cost basis on the disposition of assets. Dividend income is recorded on the ex-dividend date or upon ex-dividend notification.

#### 5. Contributions, Withdrawals, and Distributions

Contributions by a participant are evidenced through the issuance of units in the particular Investment Option. Contributions to and withdrawals from the Investment Options are subject to terms and limitations defined in the Program Disclosure Statement and Participation Agreement between the participant and the Plan. Contributions received by the Program Manager before the close of trading on the New York Stock Exchange on any business day are credited to the account to which the contribution is made within one business day.

Withdrawals are based on the unit price calculated for each Investment Option on the business day on which the Program Manager processes the withdrawal request. The earnings portion (if any) of a non-qualified withdrawal will be treated as ordinary income to the recipient and may also be subject to an additional 10% federal tax, as well as partial recapture of any Nebraska state income tax deduction previously claimed.

#### 6. Plan Expenses and Fees

Expenses included in the accompanying financial statements reflect the expenses of the Plan. The Underlying Investment expenses are factored into the daily net asset value for each respective Underlying Investment. As such, each Portfolio indirectly bears its proportional share of the fees and expenses of the Underlying Investments in which it invests.

#### NOTE A. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES – CONTINUED

#### 6. Plan Expenses and Fees – Continued

The plan expenses and fees are as follows:

- Program management fees equal to 0.15% of the average daily net position in each Investment Option.
- State administration fees equal to 0.02% of the average daily net position in each Investment Option.
- Distribution and Marketing fees equal 0.25% of the average net position in each Investment Option except the Money Market and Bank Savings Static Investment Options, which is 0.00%.

Underlying Investment fees - each Investment Option also indirectly bears its pro rata share of the fees and expenses of the Underlying Investments. Although these expenses and fees are not charged to the accounts, they will reduce the investment returns realized by each Investment Option. The Underlying Investment fees range from 0.00% to 0.18%.

These fees are accrued daily as a percentage of average daily net position and will be deducted from each Investment Option. These fees will reduce the value of an account.

#### 7. Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of financial statements and the reported amounts of income and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### 8. Income Taxes

The Program has been designed to comply with the requirements for treatment as a qualified tuition program under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code. Therefore, no federal income tax provision is required.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS

All investments have some degree of risks. The value of the Plan's accounts may vary depending on market conditions, the performance of the Investment Options selected, timing of purchases, and fees. The value of the Plan's accounts could be more or less than the amount contributed to the accounts. The Plan's investments may lose money.

Investments in the Plan are not guaranteed or insured by the FDIC, the SIPC, the State of Nebraska, the Nebraska Investment Council, the Nebraska State Treasurer, State Farm, Northern Trust Securities, Inc., Union Bank and Trust Company or its authorized agents or their affiliates, or any other federal or state entity or person.

FDIC insurance is provided for the Bank Savings Static Investment Option only, which invests in an FDIC-insured omnibus bank account held in trust by the Plan at Union Bank and Trust Company and Nelnet Bank.

#### Each Investment Option and Underlying Investment has Risks

Each of the Investment Options and Underlying Investments are subject to certain risks that may affect performance. Set forth below is a list of the major risks applicable to the Investment Options and Underlying Investments. Such list is not an exhaustive list and there are other risks which are not defined below. See the State Farm 529 Savings Plan Program Disclosure Statement and the respective prospectuses of the Underlying Investments for a description of the risks associated with the Underlying Investments in which the Investment Options invest.

Market risk. Market risk is the risk that the prices of securities will decline overall. Securities markets tend to move in cycles, with periods of rising and falling prices. Securities prices change every business day, based on investor reactions to economic, political, market, industry, corporate and other developments. At times, these price changes may be rapid and dramatic. Some factors may affect the market as a whole, while others affect particular industries, firms or sizes or types of securities.

<u>Interest rate risk.</u> Interest rate risk is the risk that securities prices will decline due to rising interest rates. A rise in interest rates typically causes bond prices to fall. Bonds with longer maturities and lower credit quality tend to be more sensitive to changes in interest rates, as are mortgage-backed bonds. Short- and long-term interest rates do not necessarily move the same amount or in the same direction.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - CONTINUED

Money market investments are also affected by interest rates, particularly short-term rates, but in the opposite way: when short-term interest rates fall, money market yields usually fall as well. Bonds that can be paid off before maturity, such as mortgage-backed and other asset-backed securities, tend to be more volatile than other types of debt securities with respect to interest rate changes.

<u>Income risk.</u> Income risk is the chance that a fund's income will decline because of falling interest rates. Income risk is generally high for short-term bond funds, so investors should expect the fund's monthly income to fluctuate.

<u>Income fluctuations.</u> Income distributions on the inflation-protected funds are likely to fluctuate considerably more than the income distributions of a typical bond fund. Income fluctuations associated with changes in interest rates are expected to be low; however, income fluctuations associated with changes in inflation are expected to be high. Overall, investors can expect income fluctuations to be high for an inflation-protected fund.

<u>Foreign investment risk.</u> Investment in foreign stocks and bonds may be more risky than investments in domestic stocks and bonds. Foreign stocks and bonds tend to be more volatile, and may be less liquid, than their U.S. counterparts. The reasons for such volatility can include greater political and social instability, lower market liquidity, higher costs, less stringent investor protections, and inferior information on issuer finances. In addition, the dollar value of most foreign currencies changes daily. All these risks tend to be higher in emerging markets than in developed markets.

Asset-backed securities risk. An Investment Option's performance could suffer to the extent the Underlying Investments are exposed to asset-backed securities, including mortgage-backed securities. Asset-backed securities are subject to early amortization due to amortization or payout events that cause the security to payoff prematurely. Under those circumstances, an Underlying Investment may not be able to reinvest the proceeds of the payoff at a yield that is as high as that which the asset-backed security paid. In addition, asset-backed securities are subject to fluctuations in interest rates that may affect their yield or the prepayment rates on the underlying assets.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - CONTINUED

Derivatives risk. Certain of the Underlying Investments may utilize derivatives. There are certain investment risks in using derivatives, including futures contracts, options on futures, interest rate swaps and structured notes. If an Underlying Investment incorrectly forecasts interest rates in using derivatives, the Underlying Investment and any Investment Option invested in it could lose money. Price movements of a futures contract, option or structured notes may not be identical to price movements of portfolio securities or a securities index, resulting in the risk that, when an underlying investment fund buys a futures contract or option as a hedge, the hedge may not be completely effective. The use of these management techniques also involves the risk of loss if the advisor to an Underlying Investment is incorrect in its expectation of fluctuations in securities prices, interest rates or currency prices. Investments in derivatives may be illiquid, difficult to price and result in leverage so that small changes may produce disproportionate losses for the Underlying Investment. Investments in derivatives may be subject to counterparty risk to a greater degree than more traditional investments. Please see the Underlying Investments prospectus for complete details.

<u>Concentration risk.</u> To the extent that an Underlying Investment or an Investment Option is exposed to securities of a single country, region, industry, structure or size, its performance may be unduly affected by factors common to the type of securities involved.

<u>Index sampling risk.</u> Index sampling risk is the chance that the securities selected for an Underlying Investment, in the aggregate, will not provide investment performance matching that of the Underlying Investment's target index.

<u>Issuer risk.</u> Changes in an issuer's business prospects or financial condition, including those resulting from concerns over accounting or corporate governance practices, could significantly affect an Investment Option's performance if the Investment Option has sufficient exposure to those securities.

<u>Credit risk.</u> The value or yield of a bond or money market security could fall if its credit backing deteriorates. In more extreme cases, default or the threat of default could cause a security to lose most or all of its value. Credit risks are higher in high-yield bonds.

<u>Management risk.</u> An Investment Option's performance could suffer if the investment fund or funds in which it invests underperform.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - CONTINUED

<u>Call risk.</u> This is the chance that during periods of falling interest rates, issuers of callable bonds may call (redeem) securities with higher coupons or interest rates before their maturity dates. The Underlying Investment would then lose any price appreciation above the bond's call price and would be forced to reinvest the unanticipated proceeds at lower interest rates, resulting in a decline in the Underlying Investment's income. Such redemptions and subsequent reinvestments would also increase the Underlying Investment's portfolio turnover rate.

Extension risk. This is the chance that during periods of rising interest rates, certain debt securities will be paid off substantially more slowly than originally anticipated, and the value of those securities may fall. For Underlying Investments that invest in mortgage-backed securities, extension risk is the chance that during periods of rising interest rates, homeowners will prepay their mortgages at slower rates.

Emerging markets risk. Underlying Investments that invest in foreign securities may also be subject to emerging markets risk, which is the chance that the stocks of companies located in emerging markets will be substantially more volatile, and substantially less liquid, than the stocks of companies located in more developed foreign markets because, among other factors, emerging markets can have greater custodial and operational risks; less developed legal, regulatory and accounting systems; and greater political, social and economic instability than developed markets.

<u>Investment style risk.</u> This is the chance that returns from the types of stocks in which an Underlying Investment invests will trail returns from the overall stock market. Specific types of stocks (for instance, small-capitalization stocks) tend to go through cycles of doing better (or worse) than the stock market in general. These periods have, in the past, lasted for as long as several years.

<u>Prepayment risk.</u> This is the chance that during periods of falling interest rates, homeowners will refinance their mortgages before their maturity dates, resulting in prepayment of mortgage-backed securities held by an Underlying Investment. The Underlying Investment would then lose any price appreciation above the mortgage's principal and would be forced to reinvest the unanticipated proceeds at lower interest rates, resulting in a decline in the Underlying Investment's income.

#### NOTE B. INVESTMENTS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - CONTINUED

Such prepayments and subsequent reinvestments would also increase the Underlying Investment's portfolio turnover rate.

<u>Infectious Illness Risk.</u> An outbreak of an infectious respiratory illness, COVID19, caused by a novel coronavirus has resulted in travel restrictions, disruption of healthcare systems, prolonged quarantines, cancellations, supply chain disruptions, lower consumer demand, layoffs, ratings downgrades, defaults and other significant economic impacts. Certain markets have experienced temporary closures, extreme volatility, severe losses, reduced liquidity and increased trading costs. These events may have an impact on the Underlying Investments and could impact the ability to purchase or sell securities or cause elevated tracking error and increased premiums or discounts to the Underlying Investments NAV. Other infectious illness outbreaks in the future may result in similar impacts.

Cybersecurity risk. The Plan places significant reliance on the computer systems of its service providers and partners. Thus, the Plan may be susceptible to operational and information security risks resulting from cyber threats and cyber-attacks which may adversely affect your account and cause it to lose value. For example, cyber threats and cyber-attacks may interfere with your ability to make contributions to, exchanges within or distributions from your accounts. Cyber threats and cyber-attacks may also impede trading and/or result in the collection and use of personally identifiable information of an account owner, Beneficiary or others.

Cybersecurity risks include security or privacy incidents such as human error, unauthorized release, theft, misuse, corruption and destruction of account data maintained by the Plan online or in digital form. Cybersecurity risks also include denial of service, viruses, malware, hacking, bugs, security vulnerabilities in software, attacks on technology operations and other disruptions that could impede the Plan's ability to maintain routine operations. Although the Plan's service providers and partners undertake efforts to protect their computer systems from cyber threats and cyber-attacks, there are no guarantees that the Plan or your account will avoid losses due to cyber threats or cyber-attacks.

#### NOTE C. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT

Accounting Standards Codification (ASC) 820 establishes a fair value hierarchy that prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value.

The hierarchy gives the highest priority to unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities (Level I measurements) and the lowest priority to measurements involving significant unobservable inputs (Level III measurements).

The three levels of the fair value hierarchy are as follows:

Level I – unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities including securities actively traded on a securities exchange.

Level II – inputs other than unadjusted quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability (such as unadjusted quoted prices for similar assets and market corroborated inputs such as interest rates, prepayment speeds, credit risk, etc.).

Level III – significant unobservable inputs (including management's own judgments about assumptions that market participants would use in pricing the asset or liability).

The inputs used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risks associated with investing in those securities.

The Plan classifies each of its investments in those Underlying Investments which are publicly offered and reported on an exchange as Level I, and those Underlying Investments which are not publicly offered as Level II without consideration as to the classification level of the specific investment held by the Underlying Investments. The level in the fair value hierarchy within which a fair value measurement in its entirety falls is based on the lowest level input that is significant to the fair value measurement in its entirety.

#### NOTE C. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENT - CONTINUED

The following table presents assets that are measured at fair value on a recurring basis at December 31, 2021:

	Fair Value	Level I	Level II	Level III	
Bank Savings	\$ 4,049,710	\$ 4,049,710	\$ -	\$ -	
Money Market					
Funds	68,816,365	68,816,365	-	-	
U.S.Real Estate					
Mutual Fund	29,141,050	29,141,050	-	-	
U.S. Equity Mutual					
Funds	328,694,661	42,444,742	286,249,919	-	
International Equity					
Mutual Funds	105,042,762	-	105,042,762	-	
Fixed Income Mutual					
Funds	194,795,154	194,795,154	-	-	
Fixed Income Mutual					
Funds TIPS	7,349,935	7,349,935	-	-	
International Fixed					
Income Funds	20,061,203	20,061,203			
	\$757,950,840	\$366,658,159	\$391,292,681	\$ -	

To value Level I investments: The fair value of Level I investments are determined by obtaining quoted market prices on nationally recognized securities exchanges.

To value Level II investments: The fair value of Level II investments are determined based on quoted prices that were obtained directly from the fund companies through confirmations for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active.

#### NOTE D. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

As of April 13, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued, the State Farm 529 Savings Plan did not have any subsequent events affecting the amounts reported in the financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021, or which are required to be disclosed in the notes to the financial statements for the period then ended.



#### Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust State Farm 529 Savings Plan

## SCHEDULE OF PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS IN AND PARTICIPANT DISTRIBUTIONS AND TRANSFERS OUT

For the year ended December 31, 2021

Contributions from plan participants				56,284,315
Transfers in from plan participants				10,679,722
Gross Investment Changes/Transfers Portfolio rounding Sales Charges	\$	252,107,805 (193,416) (1,255,549)		
Adjusted Investment Changes/Transfers	\$	250,658,840		250,658,840
Contributions/Exchanges/Transfers		\$	317,622,877	
Distributions to plan participants			\$	65,782,029
Transfers out to plan participants				10,910,077
Investment Changes/Transfers				252,107,805
Distributions/Exchanges/Transfers				328,799,911



INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROLS OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

To the Trustee, Program Manager, Investment Manager, and Participants and Beneficiaries of the State Farm 529 Savings Plan

We have audited, in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the statement of net position available for benefits of the State Farm 529 Savings Plan as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net position available for benefits, the investment summary, investment detail, and the related notes to the financial statements, which collectively comprise the State Farm 529 Savings Plan's basic financial statements, and have issued our report thereon dated April 13, 2022.

#### **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the State Farm 529 Savings Plan's internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the State Farm 529 Savings Plan's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the State Farm 529 Savings Plan's internal control over financial reporting.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.



Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

#### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the State Farm 529 Savings Plan's financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

#### **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this 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. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the entity's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Hayes & Associates, L.L.C.

Hayes & Associates, LLC

Omaha, Nebraska

April 13, 2022

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#### Outreach and Marketing Activities

2021

Monthly Facebook and LinkedIn Posts 2021

- 10-15 posts each month
- Highlighting information on web site, industry articles, upcoming webinars

Effective January 1, 2021 – Definition of "Nebraska Qualified Expenses" expanded to include Apprenticeship Program Expenses.

Meadowlark Program 2020 Newborns

- Letter and Brochure Mailing to ~23,000 Eligible Newborns Completed week of March 22, 2021
- Press Release
- Ongoing communications and outreach
- Web page

NEST Webinar: Tax Tips & Considerations - March 31, 2021

Q1 2021 Newsletters

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor

NEST Webinar: Tax Tips & Considerations - April 5, 2021

NCCE Financial Wellness Webinar April 27, 2021

Grand Island Public Schools Webinar April 28, 2021

Materials for distribution to EducationQuest for 7-8th graders (2021)

Monthly Birthday Email to Account Owners for Beneficiary Birthdays (2021)

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

5/29 Day and Tax Savings Tips Email in May 2021

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor

Storm Chasers Recognition Night May 9, 2021

• 19th Annual Why I Want to Go to College Writing Sweepstakes

NEST 529 at the Ball Park May 29, 2021

- First Pitch
- Display Table
- Drawing for \$529 Contribution Winner Recognized during 7th Inning Stretch

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#### Outreach and Marketing Activities (cont'd)

Saltdogs NEST Sponsorship Night - June 25, 2021

Display Table

Writing Contest Inspires Student to Dream Big Blogs (June 2021)

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor

#### Q2 2021 Newsletters

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor

Meadowlark Follow Up Postcard Mailing 2021

- Communication to Non-Account Owners encouraging them to open a NEST Account
- Communication to Account Owners encouraging automatic contributions

Key Tips on Withdrawing 529 Funds and 529 Updates Email for July 2021

NEST Direct

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Withdrawal Webinar - July 15, 2021

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Savings/Overview Webinar - July 21, 2021

Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan Rebranding – completed July 23, 2021

- Announcement Communication on upcoming rebranding
- Launch of new Bloomwell529.com web site
- New suite of materials and forms

EducationQuest Presentation - July 29, 2021

• Informational meeting with staff

Saltdogs NEST Sponsorship Night - August 4, 2021

Display Table

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Withdrawal Webinar - August 10, 2021

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Savings Webinar - August 19, 2021

Account Merger Conversion - August 20 - 22, 2021

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell
- State Farm
- Announcement communication regarding recombination
- Follow Up communication to account owners

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#### Outreach and Marketing Activities (cont'd)

Saltdogs NEST Partnership Email September 1, 2021

Celebrate National College Savings Month September Emails 2021

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

Bloomwell Pro Series Webinar - September 16, 2021

NEST 20th Anniversary 20 Days of Giveaways (2021)

- Press Release
- Social Posts
- Banner on Website

How much should you be saving? Blogs (September 2021)

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor

#### Q3 2021 Newsletters

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

#### Q4 2021 Brand Ads

- Nebraska
- National

#### In-State Marketing

UBT Billboard

#### **Incentive Program**

Low-Income Matching Scholarship Program

Bloomwell Pro Series Webinar - November 4, 2021

#### **Website Banners**

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

#### Prepare for 2021 Tax Benefits Emails

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor

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#### Outreach and Marketing Activities (cont'd)

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Withdrawal Webinar - December 1, 2021

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Savings Webinar – December 7, 2021

NEST Webinar: NEST Advisor Withdrawal Webinar - December 9, 2021

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Savings Webinar – December 13, 2021

The Perfect Holiday Gift Idea Emails in December 2021

NEST Direct

NEST Advisor

Bloomwell

Bloomwell Pro Series Webinar December 14, 2021

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Withdrawal Webinar – December 16, 2021

NEST Webinar: NEST Advisor Withdrawal Webinar – December 21, 2021

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Savings Webinar – December 21, 2021

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Savings Webinar – December 27, 2021

#### Q4 2021 Newsletters

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

#### 2022

Monthly Facebook and LinkedIn Posts 2022

- 10-15 posts each month
- Highlighting information on web site, industry articles, upcoming webinars

Monthly Birthday Email to Account Owners for Beneficiary Birthdays (2022)

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- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

#### Brand Ads (2022)

- Nebraska
- National

National Kids Digital Ads (2022)

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#### Outreach and Marketing Activities (cont'd)

Savingforcollege.com Email (2022)

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Withdrawal Webinar – January 6, 2022

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Withdrawal Webinar - January 20, 2022

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Savings Webinar - February 22, 2022

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Savings Webinar - March 10, 2022

#### **Incentive Program**

• Employer Matching Contribution Incentive Program

#### **Mascot Naming Contest Promotion**

- Emails
- Social Posts
- Banner on Website
- Blog

#### Writing Contest Promotion (2022)

- Statement Inserts
- Website Post
- Blog

#### Q1 2022 Newsletters

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

#### Last Minute Tax Preparation Tips Email in April 2022

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

#### EducationQuest Symposium – April 7, 2022

- Presenter
- Booth

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Savings Webinar – April 11, 2022

#### Meadowlark Program 2021 Newborns

- Letter and Brochure Mailing to ~23,000 Eligible Newborns Completed April 20, 2022
- Press Release
- Ongoing communications and outreach

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#### Outreach and Marketing Activities (cont'd)

Web pages (NEST Direct and NEST Advisor)

Materials for distribution to EducationQuest for 7-8th graders (2022)

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Savings Webinar - May 24, 2022

5/29 Day – Save for College While Savings on Taxes Email in May 2022

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

Storm Chasers Recognition Night May 22, 2022

• 20th Annual Why I Want to Go to College Writing Sweepstakes

Future Career Sweepstakes (2022)

- NEST 529 at the Ball Park May 29, 2022 to kickoff sweepstakes
- Proclamation
- News Release
- Email
- Social Posts
- Winners and businesses recognized at August 28 Saltdogs game

Saltdogs NEST Sponsorship Night - June 27, 2022

Display Table

#### Q2 2022 Newsletters

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

Effective July 21, 2022 – Definition of "Nebraska Qualified Expenses" expanded to include Qualified Education Loan Payments.

Withdrawal Reminders Email for July 2022

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Withdrawal Webinar – July 26, 2022

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Withdrawal Webinar – August 3, 2022

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Savings Webinar – August 4, 2022

NEST Webinar: NEST Direct Withdrawal Webinar – August 16, 2022

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#### Outreach and Marketing Activities (cont'd)

Bloomwell Pro Series Webinar - August 16, 2022

NEST Advisor Pro Series Webinar – August 18, 2022

Saltdogs NEST Sponsorship Night - August 19, 2022

Display Table

Mini Milestones Sweepstakes (2022)

- Proclamation
- News Release
- Email
- Announcement at August 28 Saltdogs game
- Social Posts

Saltdogs NEST Partnership Email September 2022

Celebrate National College Savings Month September Emails 2022

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

#### Q3 2022 Newsletters

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

#### **UPCOMING Q4 2022 ACTIVITY**

#### Nebraska CPA Society

- Printed Ad
- Digital Ad
- Digital Article

NEST Advisor Pro Series Webinar – October 5, 2022

Bloomwell Pro Series Webinar – October 6, 2022

Boo at the Zoo Sponsorship

Bloomwell Pro Series Webinar - November 10, 2022

NEST Advisor Pro Series Webinar – November 17, 2022

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#### Outreach and Marketing Activities (cont'd)

Low-Income Matching Scholarship Program

#### Website Banners

- NEST Direct
- NEST Advisor
- Bloomwell

**NEST Direct Savings and Withdrawal Webinars** 

**NEST Advisor Withdrawal Webinars** 

#### Firm Branches Visited / Presentations

- Presentation to FPA of Nebraska (May 2022 Meeting)
- Allstate Financial Services Omaha
- American Portfolios Financial Services Grand Island
- Ameritas Investment Company Lincoln, Fremont
- Arkfeld Wealth (RIA) Omaha
- Avior Wealth Management (RIA) Omaha
- Benjamin F. Edwards & Company Lincoln
- Berthel Fisher & Company Financial Services Lincoln
- Brokers International Financial Services- Lincoln
- Calton & Associates Fremont
- Cambridge Investment Research Hastings
- Cetera Advisors-Lincoln, Seward
- Commonwealth Financial Network– Elkhorn, Lincoln, Papillion
- CreativeOne Securities Seward
- Edward Jones –Elkhorn, Omaha, Lincoln, Seward, Fremont, Papillion, Bellevue, Wahoo, Columbus, Broken Bow, York, Kearney, Lexington, Cozad, Gothenburg, Norfolk, West Point, Wayne, Fairbury, Superior, Holdrege, La Vista, Ralston, Hastings, Grand Island
- First Command Brokerage Services—Papillion
- Flagstone Financial Management (RIA) Lincoln
- Geneos Wealth Management Lincoln
- HBE Wealth Management (RIA) Lincoln
- IFP Securities Hastings
- Independent Financial Group Columbus
- Intervest International Equities Fremont
- Kestra Investment Services
   Lincoln
- Kuzma Financial Services/Capital Markets IQ (RIA) Lincoln
- LPL Financial Lincoln, Milford, Fremont, Fairbury, Holdrege, Omaha, Hastings, Grand Island
- Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Lincoln
- MJB Financial Planning (RIA) Lincoln
- MML Investor Services Omaha, Fremont
- MWA Financial Services Lincoln

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#### Outreach and Marketing Activities (cont'd)

- NYLife Securities Lincoln
- Northwestern Mutual Investment Services Fremont, Lincoln, Omaha
- Oldfather Financial Services (RIA) Kearney
- Principal Securities Omaha, Seward, Hastings
- Private Client Services Lincoln
- Purposeful Wealth (RIA) Omaha
- Purshe Kaplan Lincoln
- R2 Wealth Management (RIA) Lincoln
- Raymond James Financial Services Omaha, Lincoln, Hastings
- Royal Alliance Associates Lincoln
- Sagepoint Financial-Lincoln, Fairfield
- Charles Schwab & Co Lincoln
- Securian Financial Services Omaha, Lincoln
- Securities America Omaha, Lincoln, Fremont, David City
- Stifel, Nicholas & Company

   Lincoln
- Talon Wealth (RIA) Omaha
- Thrivent Investment Management Lincoln, Seward
- UBS Financial Services Lincoln
- WealthPlan Partners (RIA) Omaha, Lincoln
- Wells Fargo Advisors Lincoln, Omaha, Grand Island
- Woodbury Financial Services Lincoln, Ralston

#### Calls with State Farm Sales Leaders and Registered Representative Agents

- Union Bank &Trust's team of Outreach Specialists also reach out to State Farm Sales Leaders and Registered Representative Agents to offer 529 Plan education and support.
- State Farm Sales Leader Monthly Meetings State Farm Sales Leaders have recurring calls with registered agents about financial services products, including the 529 Savings Plan. State Farm 529 Plan Analysts may participate in these conference calls as requested to promote the sale and servicing of the 529 Savings Plan.
- State Farm agents continue to have discussions with customers regarding the importance of saving for future education expenses during the ongoing Covid-19 Pandemic experience.

Save for your child's education with one of the nation's top college savings programs.

Get started at treasurer.nebraska.gov

# NEST 529

**EDUCATION SAVINGS**Nebraska Educational Savings Trust

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## **Display Ads**

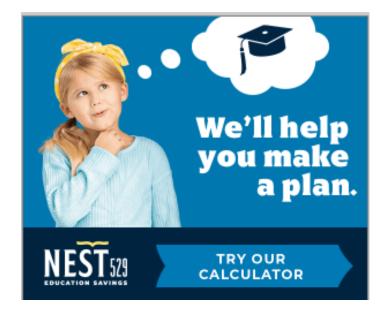














## Savingforcollege.com Eblast

Tips and tools for Nebraska parents/grandparents



## Start saving now, and set them up to soar.

The cost of college continues to climb, but with the right preparation, your student can rise to the occasion. It's never too early to create a savings goal for their future — get started with the College Savings Calculator.

Calculate Savings

And no matter where their educational journey leads, you can put them on the right path with a NEST 529 Direct College Savings Plan, a tex-advantaged account for education expenses, sponsored by the State of Nebraska.

Get the Basics

#### Why open a 529 plan?

You don't have to be an investing expert to take advantage of a 529 plan. Here's why parents and grandparents of all backgrounds are opening NEST 529 accounts for their loved ones:



#### No Minimum Deposit

You can start a plan with as little or as much money as you'd like — and we don't require you to contribute a certain amount per month to keep saving.



#### Versatile Spending

These funds can help pay for qualified expenses like furtion, books, room and board, and more. And they aren't just for four-year universities — you can put your NEST 529 dollars toward community colleges and technical trade schools as well.



#### Tax Benefits

Check out exclusive Nebraska tax benefits like an annual \$10,000 state income tax deduction.<sup>2</sup>



#### Flexibility

Go the set-it-and-forget-it route, or take total control with the ability to make account changes online.

falt our website to get the rest of your questions answered. Then take 10 hinutes to open an account online, and watch their education take flight.

Open an Account

NEST529.com | 888.993.3746 | Facebook







## National Remarketing Ads







## Nebraska NEST 529:\*

# Discover a smarter way to save for education

\*Investment Products: Not FDIC Insured—No Bank Guarantee—May Lose Value

## Lincoln Journal Star Ad





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Program Manager

An investor should consider the investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses associated with municipal hand socurities before investing. This and other important information is contained in the NEST Direct College Savings Plan Program Disclosure Statement (issue's official statement), which can be obtained at NESTE29.com and should be read carefully before investing. An investor should conside, before investing, whether the investor's or beneficiary's benear state offers any state tax or other state benefits such as famalial all, scholarity funds, and protection from creditors that are only available for investments in such state's 529 plan.

Not FDIC Insured' No Bank Guarantee May Lose Value

(\*Except the Bank Savings Static Investment Option Underlying Investment)

## **CPA Print and Digital Ads**

### **Act by December 31** for 2022 tax savings.

Up to \$10,000 is cause for celebration.

Contributions made in 2022 by NEST 529 account owners are eligible for up to a \$10,000 Nebraska state income tax deduction (\$5,000 if married filing separately). Which means more money to celebrate — or save for — their loved one's future.



- **Nebraska Tax Deduction**
- \$10,000
- \$5,000 if married filing separately
- Tax-Deferred Growth

No federal or state income taxes on gains/earnings while in the Plan.

Tax-Free Withdrawals for Qualified College Expenses<sup>1</sup>

Covers a wide range of college expenses. Visit NEST529.com for a listing.



#### WANT TO LEARN MORE?

Contact us to set up a presentation for your office and find more details at





An investor should consider, before investing, whether the investor's or beneficiary's home state offers any state tax or other state benefits such as financial aid, scholarship funds, and protection from creditors that are only available for

Withdrawals used to pay for Nebraska Qualified Expenses are free from federal and Nebraska state i ebraska Qualified Expenses do not include K-12 Tuition Expenses.

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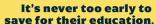
ACT BY DEC. 31

## Meadowlark



**Dreams** start with an education. We'll help make it happen.

THE MEADOWLARK SAVINGS PLEDGE & NEST 529 DIRECT COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN



#### We'll get them started.

The Meadowlark Savings Pledge gives eligible Nebraska newborns a one-time \$50 contribution to a NEST account for education expenses who baby was born in 2021, he or she will receive a contribution, as directed by the Meadowlark A

Here are the ABCs of the Meadowlark Savings Ple Automatic enrollment, with no extra cos R Baby has an account in his or her name: C Contribution of \$50 for their future.

You're encouraged to start saving for your new lit Direct account. Your contributions go into your a you'll also be able to view the balance of your Me.

two- or four-year technical, trade, vocational, grade

You may opt out at any time by visiting the progra

Learn more about the program at h



their future with two savings tools: The Meadowlark Savings Pledge and NEST 529 Direct College Savings Plan. It's how Nebraska supports your child's educational

#### So you can

NEST<sub>529</sub> set them up to soar.

With the cost of college only expected to rise, the time to start saving is now. Along with the Meadowlark Savings Pledge, NEST 529

No Minimum Balance Versatile Spending Great Tax Benefits Easy Enrollment

Enroll online in 10 minutes at NEST529.com.

Or, to request an enrollment kit be mailed to you, call toll-free: 888.993.3746. You can also print out the application and mail it to:



#### PUT THEM ON THE RIGHT TRACK NOW Research shows that kids with an education savings account are 3x as likely to attend college, and 4x as



Open a NEST 529 account in 10 minutes online.

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#### **Meadowlark Program**





9/30/2022 6/30/2022 12/31/2021 6/30/2021

#### How It Works

- Contribution of \$50 for their future (Networks bathins from in the calendar year 2020 or 2020).
- O What if my child doesn't attend a four-year university?

#### What do I need to know?

- What do I need to do as parent or legal guardian?

#### Other Important Details

## Low-Income Matching Scholarship Program



The College Savings Plan Low-Income Matching Scholarship Program (the "Program") provides matching scholarship contributions to eligible beneficiaries in the Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust. This includes the NEST Direct College Savings Plan, the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan, the State Farm 529 Savings Plan and the Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan.

Scholarship funds may be used to pay for a beneficiary's qualified higher education expenses associated with attending any accredited college or university, including trade and technical schools, in the State of Nebraska. To learn more about the Program and to apply, please review the below documents.

Forms are due by **Friday, December 31, 2021**. Applications postmarked after this date will not be accepted.

**Application Form** 

Non-Taxable Income Form

**Program Rules** 



## Employer Matching Contribution Incentive Program



The Employer Matching Contribution Incentive Program provides incentive payments to employers that make matching contributions to their employees' Nebraska Educational Savings Plan Trust ("NEST") accounts. NEST consists of four 529 plans: the NEST Direct College Savings Plan, the NEST Advisor College Savings Plan, the Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan, and the State Farm 529 Savings Plan.

Employers may receive an incentive payment equal to 25% of their total eligible contributions, up to \$2,000 per contributing employee (see the Employer Matching Contribution Incentive Program Rules for details). Incentive payments are based on amounts an employer contributed to NEST accounts during the immediately preceding calendar year.

In order to receive an incentive payment under the Employer Matching Contribution Incentive Program, an employer must submit an application to:

NEST Employer Matching Program PO Box 83529 Lincoln, NE 68501-3529

Applications will be accepted each year from January 1 to June 1.

June 1, 2022 is the application deadline for Employer Matching Contributions made in 2021.

## **Emails**



#### Make the Most of Your NEST Direct College Savings Account



#### Make Any Last Contributions Before the 2021 Deadline

December 31 is the last day to make contributions to your account that will qualify for your 2021 tax deduction. The state of Nebraska provides a state income tax deduction of up to \$10,000 (\$5,000 if married filing separately).¹ Take advantage of this great tax benefit before the year is over.

Contribute Today



#### Make the Most of Your NEST Advisor College Savings Account



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Contribute Today



Sign Up for Online Access

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#### It's the Season of Giving



#### Have Friends and Family Give the Gift of Education

Tell friends and family to give the gift of education by contributing to your loved one's 529 college savings account with NEST Direct GiftED. Contributions can be made at any time, and it only takes two simple steps to set it up. Let your loved ones know today!

Learn More



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Learn More







## Win \$529 For Naming Our New Mascot.

#### We're starting the new year with a new mascot.

They have everything needed for college: a diploma, graduation cap, and excitement for the future. But they still need a name! Now through February 15, 2022, students may submit name ideas online for a chance to win \$529 in a NEST account. <sup>1</sup>

Name Our Mascot

To learn more, and for rules and entry guidelines, visit NEST529.com/Mascot.





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## Important 2021 Tax Reminders and 2022 Plan Ahead Tips



**529 Tax Reminders** 



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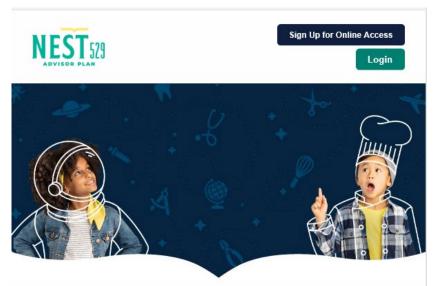
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5/29 Day – Save for College While Saving on Taxes







**Enter the Future Career** 

**Sweepstakes** 



## Withdrawal Reminders for the Upcoming School Year



The new college year is quickly approaching, and you may soon be planning withdrawals from your Bloomwell account. Here are several reminders to help you with the process:



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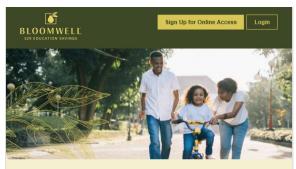
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## **Celebrate National College Savings Month**

September not only marks back to school for students, but a great time to review your college savings goals and plan benefits as we celebrate National College Savings Month.



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### Enter the Mini Milestones Sweepstakes!

As your children grow, it's important to celebrate accomplishments, whether they're big or small ones. To highlight these accomplishments and help your family remember them, we created the Mini Milestones Sweepstakes.



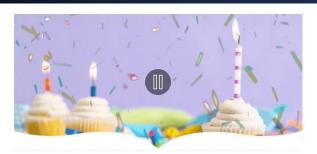
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### **Monthly Birthday Emails**



### Happy Birthday, Olivia!

We at NEST wanted to reach out and wish Olivia a happy birthday. The future is bright with no better time than the present to make a 529 contribution or to increase a monthly contribution so your loved one will have everything they need to achieve their educational dreams. Give the gift that keeps on giving – an investment in their future.

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We at Bloomwell wanted to reach out and wish Olivia a happy birthday. The future is bright with no better time than the present to make a 529 contribution or to increase a monthly contribution so your loved one will have everything they need to achieve their educational dreams. Give the gift that keeps on giving – an investment in their future.

**Contribute Today** 

### Watchdogs Email





### **NEST 529 WATCHDOGS**

Sign Up Your Youth Team Today!

The NEST 529 Watchdogs Program is focused on youth teams from Lincoln and the surrounding communities. Before each Saltdogs home game, the members of youth teams get to run out on the field with the Saltdogs players during the introduction of the starting lineup. The youth players remain on the field with the Saltdogs during the National Anthem, and each player will autograph a baseball for his Watchdogs before the kids head back to their seats!

- · Join Players on the Field!
- Get Announced Over the PA System!
- Tickets Just \$7!
- · Free Saltdogs Baseball for Player Autographs!

CLICK HERE!

#### Presented by NEST 529 College Savings

A 529 college savings plan is a tax-advantaged investment account that can be used for future education expenses. It's important to start investing in your loved one's education. When you invest with NEST, you can enjoy several benefits that will help make achieving your savings goals even easier. Take 10 minutes to enroll in a plan that's right for you.



Learn more at www.NEST529.com.



An investor should consider the investment objectives, risks, and charges and expenses associated with municipal fund securities before investing. This and other important information is contained in the NEST Direct College Savings Plan Program Disdosure Statement (issuer's official statement), which can be obtained at NEST529.com and should be read carefully before investing, an investor should consider, before investing, whether the investor's or beneficiary's home state offers any state tax or other state benefits such as financial aid, scholarship funds, and protection from creditors that are only activities for investments in such statios 500 chem. only available for investments in such state's 529 plan.

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### Saltdogs End of Season Email





**Proud to Be a Lincoln Saltdogs Partner** 

#### From the diamond to the nest, set them up to soar.

The Lincoln Saltdogs season may be coming to a close, but you can up your family's savings game with a <a href="MEST 529 Direct College Savings Plan">MEST 529 Direct College Savings Plan</a>. Unlike a conventional savings account, it's a tax-advantaged plan just for future education expenses, sponsored by the State of Nebraska. You can use a NEST 529 account to put away money today, so it's ready for your loved one when they're ready for a two-year degree, trade school, or a four-year university. Families around Nebraska choose NEST for.

- Easy online contributions, including auto-contributions
- No minimum deposit or ongoing contribution requirements
- · Convenient gifting portal for friends and family
- Quality fund families, including Vanguard, T. Rowe Price and others

· Fast online enrollment in 10 minutes or less

Take a second to learn more about saving with a 529, and explore all the perks of NEST!

**NEST 529 BASICS** 



### Congratulations to the Future Career Sweepstakes winners!

At the Aug. 28 Saltdogs game, we recognized student winners of the Future Career Sweepstakes by pairing them with professionals who matched their career dreams. Thank you to everyone who entered the sweepstakes, and congratulations to our winners - we're proud of you all!



#### Proud to play with the home team.

This season, we teamed up with the Lincoln Saltdogs to offer the NEST 529 Watchdogs program, which invites local youth players to accompany the Saltdogs on the field for the starting lineup announcement.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

See what's new in the nest: Follow NEST 529 on Facebook

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### **Blogs**

### How much should you be saving?



The price of higher education looks much different than it did 20 years ago when NEST 529 bunched in Nebrasia. Mining fullarin charges make up a fraction of an individuals to local looks bill. Sincharbins and grants may have books and indistution fees, but many fall to cover living expenses. College tuttion and costs continue to increase and and above, the net of inflation. The staggering rate at which college fees are mounting in six stagging anguage What does it man for your future graduate? Continuing to contribute to your beneficiary's 529 plan will help set them us for their future.

College Board is a national not-fin-profit dedicated to helping future students prepare to attend college, its annual report. Tends in Higher Education Series: Tends in College Princing and Student Aid 2002 Nation under an advantage and graduate students in 2019 and 2009 received \$424 billion in student aid [Federal bans, tax credits, grants]. Additionally, in 2009-2021, the average sublished unblush and fees for High-lime undergraduate students with

- Public two-year college: \$3,770, \$70 higher than 2019-20
- Public four-year in-state college: \$10,560, \$120 higher than 2019-20
- Public four-year out-of-state college: \$27,020, \$250 higher than 2019-201

Increasing the amount of money to your child's NEST 529 account by \$50 a month can have potential gains; not only is it a tax benefit, but there is potential to earn compound interest. Here's an example of how much you can sotentially accumulate with NEST based on an initial \$2,500 investment and different monthly contribution amount.



This hypothetical example illustrates the accumulation potential with a \$2,500 initial investment and a monthly contribution plant at a 5lip projected warrage annual return. The above example is based on projections and does not reflect your actual investment in the NEST Direct College Savings Plan. If fees were included, the returns would be lower. Your actual results may be more or less.

If \$50 monthly feels like a lot, think of it this way—it is roughly \$1,80 a day, which is less than the price of a cup of coffee every day, Consider adding in your "lunch money" too. For example, let's say you spend \$15 a day for your cup or criffee and it and.

#### \$15 per day x 30 days = \$450 per month

NEST 529 is equipped with resources to help you determine the right annual contribution amount

The <u>Collège Savings Estimator</u> is a step-by-step tool to help you determine approximately how much money you will need to save to pay for your child's education.



Once you determine a contribution amount, choose to set up an automatic investing plan to funnel funds to your NEST 529 account. You can select the frequency (monthly, quarterly or annually) in which the funds are deposited. The investing process allows you the peace of mind to not have to mail a check each month.

The bottom line is that there is no right answer to the question "floor much should I saye?" What we innow-to ease the potential states should have potential states should have easily also and externine a comfortable monthly contribution plan so you feel confident that you're sawing towards college to have ourse that went on their feeters.

College Board, Trends in Higher Education Series: Trends in College Pricing and Student Aid 2020. https://insearch.collogeboard.org/pdff/rendscollege.pdf.iog.gruphors.ide/2020.pdf

### Winners Dream Big for the Future

March 31, 2022



https://nest529.com/blog/

in 2021, NEST 529 celebrated its 20th anniversary. To commemorate the milestone, families entered their children to win prizes through the 20 Days of Giveaways sweepstakes. Prizes ranged from annual zoo memberships to a \$529 NEST account contribution.

Since 2001, the NEST 529 Program has helped families open more than 296,000 accounts and save more than \$7.1 billion in assets to help children achieve their dreams.

 $Five-year-old\ Carter\ Olsen\ from\ Battle\ Creek,\ Nebraska,\ and\ 12-year-old\ Henry\ Wichman\ from\ Lincoln,\ Nebraska,\ were the two lucky\ winners\ of\ a\ $529\ contribution\ to\ their\ NEST\ account.$ 

#### Carter Olsen

 $Currently in Pre-K \ at Battle \ Creek \ Elementary \ School, Carter's favorite thing is learning how to read. Even at a young age, Carter wants to help those around him and become a police officer when he grows up.$ 

Carter's parents recognize the importance of saving with a NEST 529 account for all their children, and work to consistently contribute each month to help the funds grow. Jill Olsen, Carter's mother, is excited for the added boost to Carter's account, especially knowing he has big dreams to soar to when he goes to college.

"We have the power to invest this, and with Carter being only five, the impact in the investment by the time he's in college will be the biggest influence on his future." Jill said.

Jill has first-hand experience of the financial burden college can have on someone. "I went to college, but I didn't have any money helping me pay for it, so that's part of why I started 529 accounts for my kids. Otherwise, college can lead to a lot of deby?" the cold.

#### **Henry Wichman**

Currently in sixth grade, Henry loves learning about World War II and the Cold War, He also enjoys looking at different building styles and techniques. With such a deep-rooted interest in history and architecture, Henry hopes to become either a historian or an architect.

Courteney Wichman, Henry's mother, has been contributing to both of her sons' NEST 529 accounts. "It's nice to contribute tax-free," she said. "Once you put it away, you don't think about it, but it's there when you need it."

Henry is thankful for the NEST contribution, and his parent's financial dedication to making his aspirations possible. "Now I have the chance to do what I want to, and get a good job," he said.

#### It's never to late to start saving

Planning, preparing, and saving for a child's future can be hard. You can reduce the burden of college loans tomorrow by giving your money more time to grow. And it's never too late to start saving.

With the <u>rising price tag of higher education</u>, taking advantage of a NEST 529 account can help families put their loved ones on track to soar toward their goals. NEST 529 accounts have multiple investment options. <u>Discover how</u> you can maximize your investment.

Year-round, the NEST 529 College Savings Plan offers multiple scholarships and contests to help your loved one's education take flight. Looking to the future, NEST 529 is excited to continue growing and engaging with the young minds of tomorrow.

To learn more about upcoming NEST 529 scholarships and contests, visit: NEST529.com/scholarships-and-contests.

### Hello, My Name is Nester



Hi there! My name is Nester and I'm the new mascot for the NEST 529 College Savings Plan. I'm here to help you talk with your little loved ones about the importance of saving for their college education. So, when the time comes for them to leave the nest and go to college, they can soar high to reach their dreams.

Since I'm new, here's a little about me: I was hatched in a nest on the branch of an enormous Cottonwood tree in Nebraska. Even though I'm young, I've got big dreams — but I'm not totally sure what I want to be when I grow up. I could be a carpenter and build nests for birds across the state. Or an accountant who helps friends save seeds for the winter, Oh, or a doctor who helps fix the broken wings of my fellow fowl friends. There are so many options and I know furthering my education will help me succeed no matter what I decide to do!

Even though I'm not sure what I want to be when I graduate high school, I know I love to help. One time, I walked an old ornate box turtle across a gravel road. Now that was an adventure. Being able to help is why I'm excited to be the official NEST 529 mascot.

My friends at NEST 529 also love to help people — like that time they wrote an article to help you learn how much you should be saving for college. I know thinking about the future can be a little scary, but I've learned you don't have to plan for it on your own! My NEST 529 friends are always ready to answer your questions.

I'm really looking forward to being NEST 529's official mascot and can't wait to start helping all kids learn how important it is to start saving for the future.

See you in the sky!

### Social Media



### NEST529CollegeSavings

Tue 10/19/2021 11:13 am CDT

Now is the best time to open and contribute to a NEST 529 account. Learn how you can save for your loved one's...

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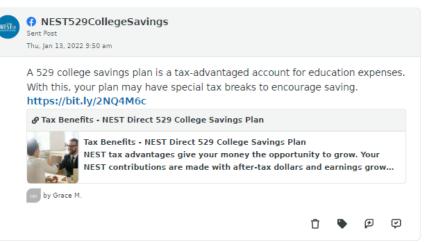


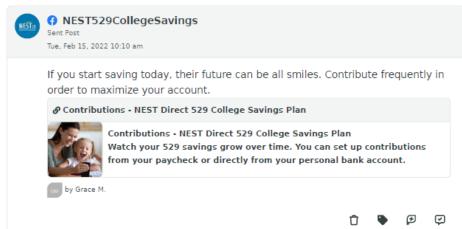
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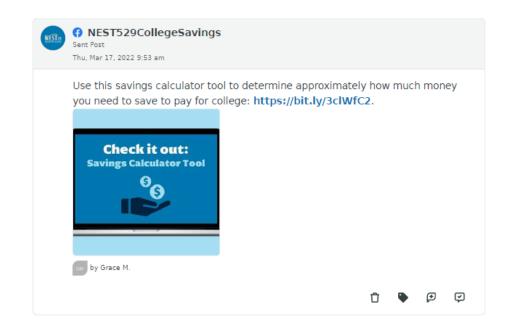
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In 10 minutes, you can start saving for their future. No minimum balance or ongoing contribution required.











Did you have a baby born in Nebraska in 2021? If so, learn more about the Meadowlark Program and how it provide...





New month = New NEST contribution. Saving just \$20 a month can make a difference by helping your future studen...





In 10 minutes, you can start saving for their future. No minimum balance or ongoing contribution required.







### NEST529CollegeSavings

Mon 7/18/2022 10:20 am CDT

The new school year is quickly approaching, and you may be planning a withdrawal from your NEST account soo...





### NEST529CollegeSavings

Tue 9/13/2022 1:41 pm CDT

We are eager to support you as you pursue your college savings dreams. However, we can only help if you begin investing with...





### NEST529CollegeSavings Mon 8/29/2022 3:22 pm CDT

Celebrate your loved one's dreams with a NEST 529 college savings plan.



### Nester



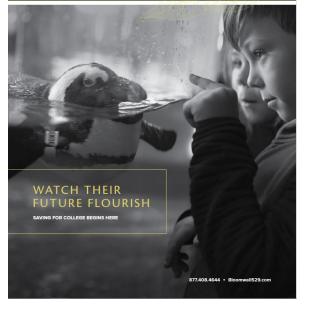


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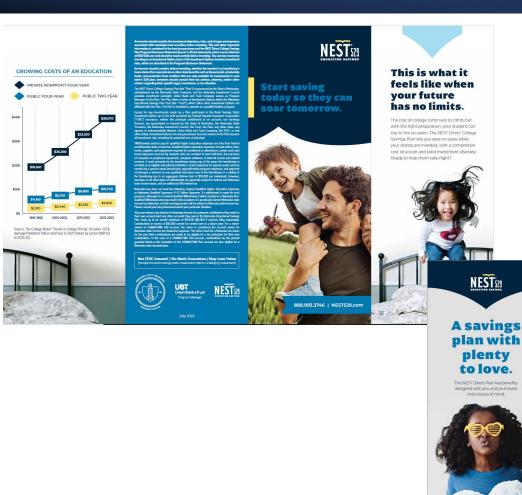








### **NEST Direct Gatefold Brochure**



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rise to the occasion. The NEST Direct College Savings Plan lets you save on taxes while your dollars are invested, with a competitive cost structure and solid investment diversity.



#### LOW PROGRAM COSTS and no annual account fees VERSATILE SPENDING Use It Almost Anywhere: Funds can be used nationwide at most accredited schools:

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NEST 529



▶ Graduate schools

Universities (public or private)

> Computer and required software

Special needs services for a special needs beneficiary

➤ Apprenticeship program expenses ➤ Repayment of qualified education loans

#### INVESTMENT CHOICES

Individual Fund Investment Options from these





METWESTFunds STATE STREET GORGE

#### **Enroll online** in 10 minutes at **GREAT TAX BENEFITS** NEST529.com Saving with NEST gives you three attractive

OTHER WAYS TO ENROLL

Request an enrollment kit to be malled to you. Call toll-free: 888.993.3746.

Print out the application and mail to: NEST 529 Direct P.O. Box 83529

2. Funds are free from federal and Nebraska income tax when used for qualified college costs<sup>1</sup>

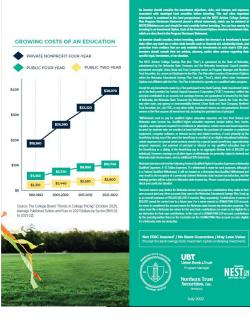
Account owners can qualify for a Nebraska state income tax deduction for their contributions.<sup>2</sup>





If you withdraw money for reasons other than qualified higher education expenses, the earnings portion may be subject to federal income tax and a 10% federal penalty tax, as well as state and local income taxes.

### **NEST Advisor Gatefold Brochure**











Use It Almost Anywhere: Funds can be used

- > Universities (public or private)
- > Community colleges
- > Trade and vocational schools
- Graduate schools

#### Pay for a Variety of Expenses: Qualified college

- > Tuition and fees
- > Room and board (for those enrolled at least half-time)
- ▶ Books, supplies, and equipment
- > Computer and required software
- > Special needs services for a special needs beneficiary
- Apprenticeship program expenses
- > Repayment of qualified education loans

#### INVESTMENT CHOICES

NEST offers Age-Based, Static, and Individual Fund Investment Options from these quality fund families:















#### LOW PROGRAM COSTS

NEST includes low investment option expenses and no annual account fees.

#### **GREAT TAX BENEFITS**

Saving with NEST gives you three attractive tax advantages:

1. Assets are tax-deferred while in the plan

- 2. Funds are free from federal and Nebraska income tax when used for qualified
- 3. Account owners can qualify for a Nebraska state income tax deduction for their contributions:2

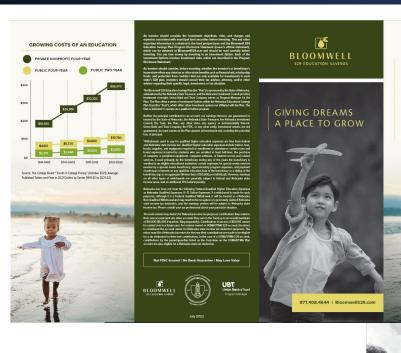
Up to \$10,000 Per Year

Up to \$5,000 Per Year

If you withdraw money for reasons other than qualified higher education expenses, the earnings portion may be subject to federal income tax and a 10% federal penalty tax, as well as state and local income taxes.



### **Bloomwell Gatefold Brochure**



#### WATCH THEIR **FUTURE FLOURISH**

The cost of college continues to grow, but with the right preparation, your student can rise to the occasion. The Bloomwell 529 Education Savings Plan lets you save on taxes while your dollars are invested, with a competitive cost structure and solid investment diversity.

#### LOW PROGRAM COSTS

Bloomwell includes low investment option expenses and no annual account fees.

#### VERSATILE SPENDING

accredited schools:

- Universities (public or private)
- Community colleges
- Trade and vocational schools

#### Graduate schools

#### Pay for a Variety of Expenses Qualified college costs include:

- Tuition and fees
- Room and board (for those enrolled at least half-time
- Books, supplies, and equipment
- Computer and required software
- Special needs services for a special needs beneficiary
- Apprenticeship program expenses
- Repayment of qualified education loans

#### INVESTMENT CHOICES

Bloomwell offers many diverse Age-Based, Static, and Individual Fund Investment Options from these quality fund families:

Vanguard STATE STREET GLOBAL ADVISORS

iShares...



#### METWESTFunds



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### **READY TO BEGIN?**



Visit with your investment professional or go to Bloomwell529.com to set up an account.



Request an enrollment kit to be mailed to you. Call toll free: 877.408.4644





**GREAT TAX BENEFITS** 

Your contributions are made with after-tax dollars,

and earnings grow federally and state tax-deferred

while invested. So, you don't have to pay taxes on any earnings while it's in the Plan. Any investment

Tax-Deferred Growth and Tax-Free Withdrawals

for qualified education expenses!

Renefits for Nebraskans

Tax-Deferred Growth and Tax-Free Withdrawals

for qualified education expenses<sup>1</sup>

Up to an annual \$10,000 state income

expenses, the earnings portion may be subject to federal income tax

and a 10% federal penalty tax, as well as state and local income taxes.

growth is yours to use for college expenses. Benefits for Non-Nebraskans



### **NEST Direct Newsletters**



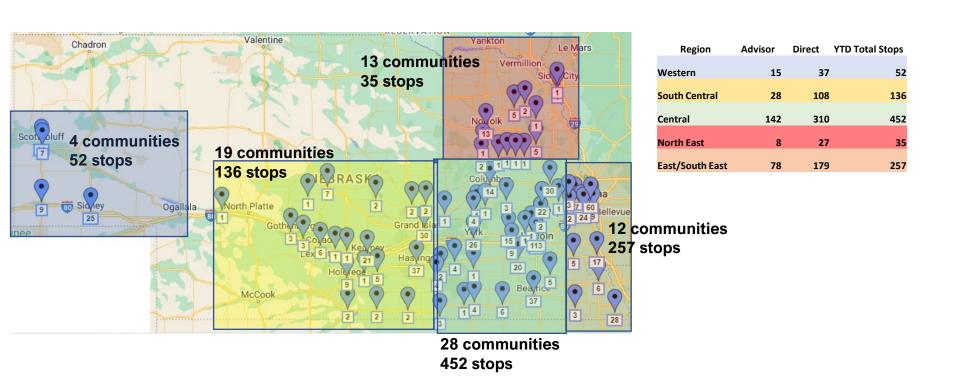
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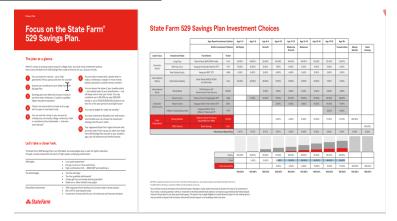
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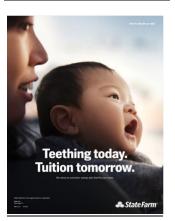
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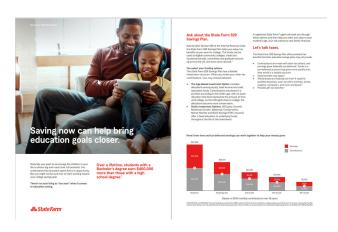
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#### **Education Savings Poster**



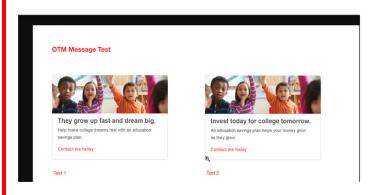
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### **Online Targeted Messaging**



### **Financial Insight Newsletter Articles**



A 529 education savings plan is a tax-favored program operated by a state designed to help families save for future education costs. Check out "529" benefits.

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June

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May

Nebraska Governor Ricketts Declares May 29 as National 529 Day in Nebraska

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Nebraska Babies Born in 2021 to Be Provided Meadowlark Savings Pledge Funds

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#### September

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June

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