

Form 5500 Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ▶ Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.	OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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Part I	Annual Report Identification Information
For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning <u>01/01/2021</u> and ending <u>12/31/2021</u>	
A This return/report is for:	☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.) ☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____
B This return/report is:	☐ the first return/report ☐ the final return/report ☒ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here.	☐
D Check box if filing under:	☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program ☐ special extension (enter description)
E If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here.	☐

Part II	Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information				
1a Name of plan <u>ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403B PLAN</u>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 80%;">1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶</td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: center;"><u>001</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2">1c Effective date of plan <u>08/01/2019</u></td> </tr> </table>	1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>	1c Effective date of plan <u>08/01/2019</u>	
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1c Effective date of plan <u>08/01/2019</u>					
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan) Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box) City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions) <u>ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES</u> <u>4690 TABLE MOUNTAIN DR.</u> <u>SUITE 100</u> <u>GOLDEN, CO 80403</u>	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td>2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>81-4708299</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>303-900-2297</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2d Business code (see instructions) <u>611000</u></td> </tr> </table>	2b Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>81-4708299</u>	2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number <u>303-900-2297</u>	2d Business code (see instructions) <u>611000</u>	
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Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/13/2022	CHRISTOPHER SCOTT
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE	Filed with authorized/valid electronic signature.	10/13/2022	CHRISTOPHER SCOTT
	Signature of employer/plan sponsor	Date	Enter name of individual signing as employer or plan sponsor
SIGN HERE			
	Signature of DFE	Date	Enter name of individual signing as DFE

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3a Plan administrator's name and address ☒ Same as Plan Sponsor	3b Administrator's EIN 3c Administrator's telephone number
4 If the name and/or EIN of the plan sponsor or the plan name has changed since the last return/report filed for this plan, enter the plan sponsor's name, EIN, the plan name and the plan number from the last return/report: a Sponsor's name c Plan Name	4b EIN 4d PN
5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5 121
6 Number of participants as of the end of the plan year unless otherwise stated (welfare plans complete only lines 6a(1) , 6a(2) , 6b , 6c , and 6d). a(1) Total number of active participants at the beginning of the plan year..... a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits..... c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits. f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e g Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item) h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested	6a(1) 112 6a(2) 181 6b 0 6c 4 6d 185 6e 0 6f 185 6g 53 6h 5
7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item).....	7
8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions: 2G 2F 2K 2M 2T 3D b If the plan provides welfare benefits, enter the applicable welfare feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:	
9a Plan funding arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) ☐ Insurance (2) ☐ Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) ☒ Trust (4) ☐ General assets of the sponsor
10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)	
a Pension Schedules (1) ☒ R (Retirement Plan Information) (2) ☐ MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary (3) ☐ SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary	b General Schedules (1) ☒ H (Financial Information) (2) ☐ I (Financial Information – Small Plan) (3) ☐ A (Insurance Information) (4) ☐ C (Service Provider Information) (5) ☐ D (DFE/Participating Plan Information) (6) ☐ G (Financial Transaction Schedules)

Part III Form M-1 Compliance Information (to be completed by welfare benefit plans)

11a If the plan provides welfare benefits, was the plan subject to the Form M-1 filing requirements during the plan year? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes" is checked, complete lines 11b and 11c.

11b Is the plan currently in compliance with the Form M-1 filing requirements? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-2.) ☐ Yes ☐ No

11c Enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the 2021 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2021 Form M-1 annual report, enter the Receipt Confirmation Code for the most recent Form M-1 that was required to be filed under the Form M-1 filing requirements. (Failure to enter a valid Receipt Confirmation Code will subject the Form 5500 filing to rejection as incomplete.)

Receipt Confirmation Code _____

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Financial Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021		
A Name of plan ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403B PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ►	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 81-4708299	

Part I	Asset and Liability Statement
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1 Current value of plan assets and liabilities at the beginning and end of the plan year. Combine the value of plan assets held in more than one trust. Report the value of the plan's interest in a commingled fund containing the assets of more than one plan on a line-by-line basis unless the value is reportable on lines 1c(9) through 1c(14). Do not enter the value of that portion of an insurance contract which guarantees, during this plan year, to pay a specific dollar benefit at a future date. **Round off amounts to the nearest dollar.** MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 1b(1), 1b(2), 1c(8), 1g, 1h, and 1i. CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 1d and 1e. See instructions.

Assets		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash.....	1a	1054	2
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	2653	5337
(2) Participant contributions.....	1b(2)	8191	15299
(3) Other	1b(3)	17	39
c General investments:			
(1) Interest-bearing cash (include money market accounts & certificates of deposit)	1c(1)		
(2) U.S. Government securities	1c(2)		
(3) Corporate debt instruments (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(3)(A)		
(B) All other	1c(3)(B)		
(4) Corporate stocks (other than employer securities):			
(A) Preferred	1c(4)(A)		
(B) Common	1c(4)(B)		
(5) Partnership/joint venture interests	1c(5)		
(6) Real estate (other than employer real property)	1c(6)		
(7) Loans (other than to participants)	1c(7)		
(8) Participant loans	1c(8)		
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)		
(11) Value of interest in master trust investment accounts	1c(11)		
(12) Value of interest in 103-12 investment entities	1c(12)		
(13) Value of interest in registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds)	1c(13)	205590	430554
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)		
(15) Other.....	1c(15)		

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
1d	Employer-related investments:		
(1)	Employer securities.....	1d(1)	
(2)	Employer real property.....	1d(2)	
e	Buildings and other property used in plan operation	1e	
f	Total assets (add all amounts in lines 1a through 1e)	1f	217505 451231
Liabilities			
g	Benefit claims payable	1g	
h	Operating payables	1h	
i	Acquisition indebtedness.....	1i	
j	Other liabilities.....	1j	
k	Total liabilities (add all amounts in lines 1g through 1j)	1k	0 0
Net Assets			
l	Net assets (subtract line 1k from line 1f)	1l	217505 451231

Part II Income and Expense Statement

2 Plan income, expenses, and changes in net assets for the year. Include all income and expenses of the plan, including any trust(s) or separately maintained fund(s) and any payments/receipts to/from insurance carriers. Round off amounts to the nearest dollar. MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs do not complete lines 2a, 2b(1)(E), 2e, 2f, and 2g.

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a	Contributions:		
(1)	Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers	2a(1)(A)	36121
	(B) Participants	2a(1)(B)	181269
	(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)	
(2)	Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)	
(3)	Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)	217390
b	Earnings on investments:		
(1)	Interest:		
	(A) Interest-bearing cash (including money market accounts and certificates of deposit).....	2b(1)(A)	
	(B) U.S. Government securities	2b(1)(B)	
	(C) Corporate debt instruments	2b(1)(C)	
	(D) Loans (other than to participants)	2b(1)(D)	
	(E) Participant loans.....	2b(1)(E)	
	(F) Other	2b(1)(F)	
	(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)	0
(2)	Dividends: (A) Preferred stock.....	2b(2)(A)	
	(B) Common stock	2b(2)(B)	
	(C) Registered investment company shares (e.g. mutual funds).....	2b(2)(C)	5656
	(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)	5656
(3)	Rents	2b(3)	
(4)	Net gain (loss) on sale of assets: (A) Aggregate proceeds	2b(4)(A)	
	(B) Aggregate carrying amount (see instructions).....	2b(4)(B)	
	(C) Subtract line 2b(4)(B) from line 2b(4)(A) and enter result	2b(4)(C)	0
(5)	Unrealized appreciation (depreciation) of assets: (A) Real estate	2b(5)(A)	
	(B) Other	2b(5)(B)	
	(C) Total unrealized appreciation of assets. Add lines 2b(5)(A) and (B)	2b(5)(C)	0

		(a) Amount	(b) Total
(6) Net investment gain (loss) from common/collective trusts.....	2b(6)		
(7) Net investment gain (loss) from pooled separate accounts.....	2b(7)		
(8) Net investment gain (loss) from master trust investment accounts.....	2b(8)		
(9) Net investment gain (loss) from 103-12 investment entities.....	2b(9)		
(10) Net investment gain (loss) from registered investment companies (e.g., mutual funds).....	2b(10)		56855
c Other income.....	2c		
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2d		279901
Expenses			
e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers.....	2e(1)	41691	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits.....	2e(2)		
(3) Other.....	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3).....	2e(4)		41691
f Corrective distributions (see instructions).....	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions).....	2g		
h Interest expense.....	2h		
i Administrative expenses: (1) Professional fees.....	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees.....	2i(2)	2774	
(3) Investment advisory and management fees.....	2i(3)	1710	
(4) Other.....	2i(4)		
(5) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (4).....	2i(5)		4484
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total.....	2j		46175
Net Income and Reconciliation			
k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d.....	2k		233726
l Transfers of assets:			
(1) To this plan.....	2l(1)		
(2) From this plan.....	2l(2)		

Part III Accountant's Opinion

3 Complete lines 3a through 3c if the opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is attached to this Form 5500. Complete line 3d if an opinion is not attached.

a The attached opinion of an independent qualified public accountant for this plan is (see instructions):

(1) ☒ Unmodified (2) ☐ Qualified (3) ☐ Disclaimer (4) ☐ Adverse

b Check the appropriate box(es) to indicate whether the IQPA performed an ERISA section 103(a)(3)(C) audit. Check both boxes (1) and (2) if the audit was performed pursuant to both 29 CFR 2520.103-8 and 29 CFR 2520.103-12(d). Check box (3) if pursuant to neither.

(1) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 (2) ☐ DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d) (3) ☐ neither DOL Regulation 2520.103-8 nor DOL Regulation 2520.103-12(d).

c Enter the name and EIN of the accountant (or accounting firm) below:

(1) Name: HARRINGTON LANGER & ASSOCIATES

(2) EIN: 41-1532347

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** because:

(1) ☐ This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, or MTIA. (2) ☐ It will be attached to the next Form 5500 pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.104-50.

Part IV Compliance Questions

4 CCTs and PSAs do not complete Part IV. MTIAs, 103-12 IEs, and GIAs do not complete lines 4a, 4e, 4f, 4g, 4h, 4k, 4m, 4n, or 5. 103-12 IEs also do not complete lines 4j and 4l. MTIAs also do not complete line 4l.

During the plan year:

a Was there a failure to transmit to the plan any participant contributions within the time period described in 29 CFR 2510.3-102? Continue to answer "Yes" for any prior year failures until fully corrected. (See instructions and DOL's Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program.).....

	Yes	No	Amount
4a	X		65342

	Yes	No	Amount
b Were any loans by the plan or fixed income obligations due the plan in default as of the close of the plan year or classified during the year as uncollectible? Disregard participant loans secured by participant's account balance. (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part I if "Yes" is checked.)			
4b		X	
c Were any leases to which the plan was a party in default or classified during the year as uncollectible? (Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part II if "Yes" is checked.)			
4c		X	
d Were there any nonexempt transactions with any party-in-interest? (Do not include transactions reported on line 4a. Attach Schedule G (Form 5500) Part III if "Yes" is checked.)			
4d		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		300000
f Did the plan have a loss, whether or not reimbursed by the plan's fidelity bond, that was caused by fraud or dishonesty?		X	
4f		X	
g Did the plan hold any assets whose current value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?			
4g		X	
h Did the plan receive any noncash contributions whose value was neither readily determinable on an established market nor set by an independent third party appraiser?			
4h		X	
i Did the plan have assets held for investment? (Attach schedule(s) of assets if "Yes" is checked, and see instructions for format requirements.)	X		
4i	X		
j Were any plan transactions or series of transactions in excess of 5% of the current value of plan assets? (Attach schedule of transactions if "Yes" is checked and see instructions for format requirements.)			
4j		X	
k Were all the plan assets either distributed to participants or beneficiaries, transferred to another plan, or brought under the control of the PBGC?			
4k		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?			
4l		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)			
4m		X	
n If 4m was answered "Yes," check the "Yes" box if you either provided the required notice or one of the exceptions to providing the notice applied under 29 CFR 2520.101-3.			
4n			
5a Has a resolution to terminate the plan been adopted during the plan year or any prior plan year?..... ☐ Yes ☒ No If "Yes," enter the amount of any plan assets that reverted to the employer this year _____.			
5b If, during this plan year, any assets or liabilities were transferred from this plan to another plan(s), identify the plan(s) to which assets or liabilities were transferred. (See instructions.)			
5b(1) Name of plan(s)	5b(2) EIN(s)	5b(3) PN(s)	
5c Was the plan a defined benefit plan covered under the PBGC insurance program at any time during this plan year? (See ERISA section 4021 and instructions.) ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Not determined If "Yes" is checked, enter the My PAA confirmation number from the PBGC premium filing for this plan year _____.			

SCHEDULE R (Form 5500) Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation	Retirement Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and section 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code). ► File as an attachment to Form 5500.	OMB No. 1210-0110 2021 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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A Name of plan ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403B PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ► 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 81-4708299

Part I	Distributions
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All references to distributions relate only to payments of benefits during the plan year.

1 Total value of distributions paid in property other than in cash or the forms of property specified in the instructions.....	1
2 Enter the EIN(s) of payor(s) who paid benefits on behalf of the plan to participants or beneficiaries during the year (if more than two, enter EINs of the two payors who paid the greatest dollar amounts of benefits): EIN(s): 75-3182674 Profit-sharing plans, ESOPs, and stock bonus plans, skip line 3.	
3 Number of participants (living or deceased) whose benefits were distributed in a single sum, during the plan year	3

Part II	Funding Information (If the plan is not subject to the minimum funding requirements of section 412 of the Internal Revenue Code or ERISA section 302, skip this Part.)
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4 Is the plan administrator making an election under Code section 412(d)(2) or ERISA section 302(d)(2)? If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
5 If a waiver of the minimum funding standard for a prior year is being amortized in this plan year, see instructions and enter the date of the ruling letter granting the waiver. Date: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____ If you completed line 5, complete lines 3, 9, and 10 of Schedule MB and do not complete the remainder of this schedule.	
6 a Enter the minimum required contribution for this plan year (include any prior year accumulated funding deficiency not waived)	6a
b Enter the amount contributed by the employer to the plan for this plan year	6b
c Subtract the amount in line 6b from the amount in line 6a. Enter the result (enter a minus sign to the left of a negative amount)	6c
If you completed line 6c, skip lines 8 and 9.	
7 Will the minimum funding amount reported on line 6c be met by the funding deadline?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A
8 If a change in actuarial cost method was made for this plan year pursuant to a revenue procedure or other authority providing automatic approval for the change or a class ruling letter, does the plan sponsor or plan administrator agree with the change?	☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ N/A

Part III	Amendments
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9 If this is a defined benefit pension plan, were any amendments adopted during this plan year that increased or decreased the value of benefits? If yes, check the appropriate box. If no, check the "No" box.....	☐ Increase ☐ Decrease ☐ Both ☐ No
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Part IV	ESOPs (see instructions). If this is not a plan described under section 409(a) or 4975(e)(7) of the Internal Revenue Code, skip this Part.
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10 Were unallocated employer securities or proceeds from the sale of unallocated securities used to repay any exempt loan?	☐ Yes ☐ No
11 a Does the ESOP hold any preferred stock?	☐ Yes ☐ No
b If the ESOP has an outstanding exempt loan with the employer as lender, is such loan part of a "back-to-back" loan? (See instructions for definition of "back-to-back" loan.)	☐ Yes ☐ No
12 Does the ESOP hold any stock that is not readily tradable on an established securities market?	☐ Yes ☐ No

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Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year (measured in dollars). See instructions. *Complete as many entries as needed to report all applicable employers.*

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

d Date collective bargaining agreement expires (If employer contributes under more than one collective bargaining agreement, check box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, enter the applicable date.) Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

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a Name of contributing employer

b EIN

c Dollar amount contributed by employer

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e Contribution rate information (If more than one rate applies, check this box ☐ and see instructions regarding required attachment. Otherwise, complete lines 13e(1) and 13e(2).)

(1) Contribution rate (in dollars and cents) _____

(2) Base unit measure: ☐ Hourly ☐ Weekly ☐ Unit of production ☐ Other (specify): _____

- 14** Enter the number of deferred vested and retired participants (inactive participants), as of the beginning of the plan year, whose contributing employer is no longer making contributions to the plan for:

a The current plan year. Check the box to indicate the counting method used to determine the number of inactive participants: ☐ last contributing employer ☐ alternative ☐ reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment).....

14a

b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....

14b

c The second preceding plan year. ☐ Check the box if the number reported is a change from what was previously reported (see instructions for required attachment).....

14c

- 15** Enter the ratio of the number of participants under the plan on whose behalf no employer had an obligation to make an employer contribution during the current plan year to:

a The corresponding number for the plan year immediately preceding the current plan year.....

15a

b The corresponding number for the second preceding plan year.....

15b

- 16** Information with respect to any employers who withdrew from the plan during the preceding plan year:

a Enter the number of employers who withdrew during the preceding plan year.....

16a

b If line 16a is greater than 0, enter the aggregate amount of withdrawal liability assessed or estimated to be assessed against such withdrawn employers.....

16b

- 17** If assets and liabilities from another plan have been transferred to or merged with this plan during the plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐

Part VI Additional Information for Single-Employer and Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

- 18** If any liabilities to participants or their beneficiaries under the plan as of the end of the plan year consist (in whole or in part) of liabilities to such participants and beneficiaries under two or more pension plans as of immediately before such plan year, check box and see instructions regarding supplemental information to be included as an attachment..... ☐

- 19** If the total number of participants is 1,000 or more, complete lines (a) through (c)

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:

Stock: _____% Investment-Grade Debt: _____% High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Estate: _____% Other: _____%

b Provide the average duration of the combined investment-grade and high-yield debt:

☐ 0-3 years ☐ 3-6 years ☐ 6-9 years ☐ 9-12 years ☐ 12-15 years ☐ 15-18 years ☐ 18-21 years ☐ 21 years or more

c What duration measure was used to calculate line 19(b)?

☐ Effective duration ☐ Macaulay duration ☐ Modified duration ☐ Other (specify): _____

- 20 PBGC missed contribution reporting requirements.** If this is a multiemployer plan or a single-employer plan that is not covered by PBGC, skip line 20.

a Is the amount of unpaid minimum required contributions for all years from Schedule SB (Form 5500) line 40 greater than zero? ☐ Yes ☐ No

b If line 20a is "Yes," has PBGC been notified as required by ERISA sections 4043(c)(5) and/or 303(k)(4)? Check the applicable box:

☐ Yes.

☐ No. Reporting was waived under 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) because contributions equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution were made by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. The 30-day period referenced in 29 CFR 4043.25(c)(2) has not yet ended, and the sponsor intends to make a contribution equal to or exceeding the unpaid minimum required contribution by the 30th day after the due date.

☐ No. Other. Provide explanation _____

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION
December 31, 2021

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Plan Administrator
Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan
Golden, Colorado

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit

We have performed an audit of the accompanying financial statements of Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C). The financial statements comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audit need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion on the 2021 Financial Statements

In our opinion, based on our audit and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements section—

- the amounts and disclosures in the accompanying 2021 financial statements referred to above, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

- the information in the accompanying 2021 financial statements referred to above related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion on the 2021 Financial Statements

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) 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 ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the 2021 Financial Statements

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. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

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 Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments; administering the plan; and determining that the plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements section of our report, 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 opinion. 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 Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) 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 Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audit did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the 2021 financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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.

Other Matters

2021 Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of assets (held at end of year) and delinquent participant contributions are presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion—

- the form and content of the supplemental schedules, other than the information in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- the information in the supplemental schedule related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Report on Compiled 2020 Financial Statement

Plan management is responsible for the accompanying financial statement of the Plan, which comprises the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2020. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. We did not audit or review the financial statement nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by plan management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, or provide any form of assurance on the financial statements of Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Harrington Langer & Associates

October 4, 2022

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
December 31, 2021 and 2020

	2021	(Compiled) 2020
ASSETS		
Investments, at fair value	\$ 430,554	\$ 205,590
Receivables:		
Participant contributions	15,299	8,191
Employer contributions	5,337	2,653
Dividends	39	17
TOTAL RECEIVABLES	20,675	10,861
Non-Interest bearing cash	2	1,054
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$ 451,231	\$ 217,505

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
Year Ended December 31, 2021

ADDITIONS

Additions to net assets attributed to:

Investment income:

Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 56,855
Interest and dividends	<u>5,656</u>
Total investment income	<u>62,511</u>

Contributions:

Employee	181,269
Employer	<u>36,121</u>
Total contributions	<u>217,390</u>

TOTAL ADDITIONS	<u>279,901</u>
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DEDUCTIONS

Benefits paid to participants	41,691
Administrative fees	<u>4,484</u>

TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	<u>46,175</u>
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NET INCREASE	233,726
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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>217,505</u>
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END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 451,231</u></u>
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ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan (the “Plan”) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document or summary plan description for a more complete description of the Plan’s provisions, which are available from the plan administrator.

General:

The Plan is a defined contribution plan sponsored by Ascent Classical Academies (the “Organization”) for the benefit of its employees. All permissible employees of the Organization, as defined in accordance with the universal availability standards are eligible to enroll on their date of hire. Upon becoming eligible, the employee may enter the plan on the date of employment. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”).

Contributions:

Participants may contribute up to 100% of annual compensation as pre-tax or Roth contributions, as defined by the Plan. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or contribution plans. Additionally, participants age 50 or older, who are making contributions to the Plan, are allowed to make catch-up contributions as defined in the Plan. Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Organization contributes a fixed match of 3% to the following group of participants: network leadership, teacher, paraprofessional, office professional, campus administrator, maintenance professional, and teaching assistant. Additional amounts may be contributed at the option of the Organization, none were contributed in 2021. Contributions are subject to certain Internal Revenue Code (“IRC”) limitations.

Participant Investment Account Options:

The Plan currently offers a variety of mutual funds as investment options for participants.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (continued)

Participant Accounts:

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and allocations of (a) the Organization's contribution and (b) plan earnings and charged with an allocation of administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Vesting:

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Organization's contribution portion of their accounts is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100% vested after three years of credited service.

Notes Receivable from Participants:

Participants may borrow from their account balances a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. Loan terms cannot exceed five years, except for the purchase of a principal residence. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at rates which are commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined by the plan administrator. Participants can have a maximum of one loan outstanding at any given time. Principal and interest is paid ratably through periodic payroll deductions.

Benefit Payments:

On termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, a participant may elect to receive either a lump sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account or annual installments. For termination of service due to other reasons, a participant may receive the value of the vested interest in his or her account as a lump sum distribution.

Forfeited Accounts:

At December 31, 2021 and 2020, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$0 and \$1,054, respectively. These accounts will be used to reduce future employer contributions. Also, for the year ended December 31, 2021, employer contributions were reduced by \$5,236, from forfeited nonvested accounts.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting:

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared under the accrual method of accounting.

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 and disclosures. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition:

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 4 for a discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of investment units are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation or depreciation includes the Plan's gains or losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year.

Notes Receivable from Participants:

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balances plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses when incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2021 and 2020. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the plan administrator deems the participant to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced, and the delinquent participant note receivable is recorded as a benefit payment based upon terms of the Plan document.

Payment of Benefits:

Benefits are recorded when paid.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Administrative Expenses:

Certain expenses of the Plan are paid by the Organization and are not included in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation of fair value of investments.

Subsequent Events:

In preparing these financial statements, the Sponsor has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through October 4, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 3. INFORMATION PREPARED AND CERTIFIED BY THE CUSTODIAN

The plan administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, Matrix Trust Company, the custodian of the Plan, has certified that the following data included in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule is complete and accurate with respect to investments:

- Investments at fair value
- Net appreciation in fair value of investments
- Interest and dividends
- Schedule of assets (held at end of year)

The Plan's independent public accountants did not perform auditing procedures with respect to this information, except for comparing such information to the related information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedule.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The framework for measuring fair value provides 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 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described below:

- | | |
|---------|---|
| Level 1 | Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access. |
| Level 2 | Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets and liabilities in inactive markets; inputs other than quoted market prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability. |
| Level 3 | Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to measurement. |

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2021 and 2020.

Mutual Funds: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily Net Asset Value ("NAV") and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2021 and 2020:

Investments at Fair Value as of December 31, 2021				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 430,554	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 430,554

Investments at Fair Value as of December 31, 2020				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 205,591	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 205,591

NOTE 5. TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") has determined that the prototype 401(k) profit sharing plan is designed in accordance with applicable sections of the IRC and informed the custodian of such in a letter dated March 31, 2017. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter, the plan administrator believes that the Plan and related trust are currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognizes a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the applicable authorities. The plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 6. PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The plan allows for transactions with certain parties-in-interest therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Fees incurred by the Plan for the investment management services are included in net appreciation in fair value of the investments, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment. As described in Note 2, the Plan made direct payments to the third party administrator and other service providers of \$4,484 for the year ended December 31, 2021, respectively, which was not covered by revenue sharing. The Plan paid certain expenses related to the Plan's operations and investment activity to various service providers. These transactions are party-in-interest transactions. The Plan Sponsor pays directly any other fees related to the Plan's operations.

NOTE 7. PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Sponsor has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to provisions of ERISA.

NOTE 8. RISKS, UNCERTAINTIES AND CONCENTRATIONS

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of assets available for benefits.

At December 31, 2021 and 2020, approximately 61% and 67%, respectively of the Plan's investments were invested in the Vanguard Total Stock Mkt Idx Adm Fund and Fidelity 500 Index Fund.

NOTE 9. DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS

Defined contribution plans are required to remit employee contributions to the Plan as soon as they can be reasonably segregated from the employer's general assets. While the Company remitted all employee contributions to the Plan, contributions of \$63,348 were not remitted within the required time period for the year ended December 31, 2021. The Company has remitted these delinquent employee contributions and will calculate and remit lost earnings as a result.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
Schedule H, Part IV - Line 4i – SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
EIN: 81-4708299
PLAN NUMBER: 001
December 31, 2021

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	Description of Investments Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	Cost	Current Value
	Artisan International Value Investor Fund	Mutual Fund	**	\$ 898
	BlackRock Mid-Cap Growth Equity Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	6,931
	Columbia Convertible Securities Inst2 Fund	Mutual Fund	**	3,427
	Dodge & Cox Income Fund	Mutual Fund	**	326
	Federated Hermes Short Interm TR Bd IS Fund	Mutual Fund	**	5,364
	Federated Hermes Instl High Yield Bd IS Fund	Mutual Fund	**	8,964
	Fidelity 500 Index Fund	Mutual Fund	**	166,064
	Fidelity US Bond Index Fund	Mutual Fund	**	1,676
	JPMorgan Equity Income R5 Fund	Mutual Fund	**	2,132
	Putnam Growth Opportunities Y Fund	Mutual Fund	**	9,022
	Principal Real Estate Securities Inst Fund	Mutual Fund	**	421
	American Funds Inflation Linked Bd R6 Fund	Mutual Fund	**	838
	American Funds New World R6 Fund	Mutual Fund	**	1,395
	TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Index 2050 Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	30,915
	TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Index 2045 Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	1,192
	TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Index 2035 Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	6,867
	TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Index 2040 Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	27,662
	T. Rowe Price Spectrum Mod Gr Allc Fund	Mutual Fund	**	916
	TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Index 2055 Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	7,008
	TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Index 2060 Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	16,425
	Vanguard Balanced Index Adm Fund	Mutual Fund	**	18,869
	Vanguard Small Cap Index Adm Fund	Mutual Fund	**	6,077
	Vanguard Total Intl Bd Idx Admiral Fund	Mutual Fund	**	7,725
	Vanguard Total Intl Stock Index Admiral Fund	Mutual Fund	**	2,289
	Vanguard Total Stock Mkt Idx Adm Fund	Mutual Fund	**	96,980
	Vanguard International Growth Adm Fund	Mutual Fund	**	171
				<u>\$ 430,554</u>

*Party-in-interest as defined by ERISA

**Cost information may be omitted for plan assets which are participant-directed

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
Schedule H - Line 4a – SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS
EIN: 81-4708299
PLAN NUMBER: 001
Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Participant Contributions Transferred Late to the Plan	Total That Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program (VFCP) and Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2002-51
	Check Here If Late Participant Loan Repayments are Included:	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP	Contribution Pending Correction in VFCP	
2020				\$	1,814
2021				\$ 63,348	

Form 5500Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue ServiceDepartment of Labor
Employee Benefits Security
Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

This form is required to be filed for employee benefit plans under sections 104 and 4065 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA) and sections 6057(b) and 6058(a) of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

▶ **Complete all entries in accordance with the instructions to the Form 5500.**OMB Nos. 1210-0110
1210-0089**2021****This Form is Open to Public Inspection****Part I Annual Report Identification Information**

For calendar plan year 2021 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2021 and ending 12/31/2021

- A** This return/report is for: ☐ a multiemployer plan ☐ a multiple-employer plan (Filers checking this box must attach a list of participating employer information in accordance with the form instructions.)
- ☒ a single-employer plan ☐ a DFE (specify) _____
- B** This return/report is: ☐ the first return/report ☐ the final return/report
- ☐ an amended return/report ☐ a short plan year return/report (less than 12 months)
- C** If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here. ▶ ☐
- D** Check box if filing under: ☒ Form 5558 ☐ automatic extension ☐ the DFVC program
- ☐ special extension (enter description) _____
- E** If this is a retroactively adopted plan permitted by SECURE Act section 201, check here. ▶ ☐

Part II Basic Plan Information—enter all requested information**1a** Name of plan

Ascent Classical Academies 403b Plan

1b Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶

001

1c Effective date of plan 08/01/2019**2a** Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan)

Mailing address (include room, apt., suite no. and street, or P.O. Box)

City or town, state or province, country, and ZIP or foreign postal code (if foreign, see instructions)

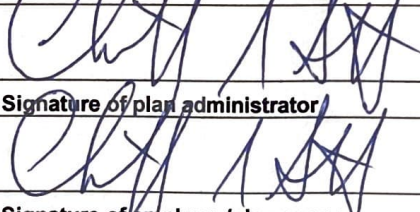
Ascent Classical Academies

4690 Table Mountain Dr.
Suite 100
Golden

CO 80403

2b Employer Identification Number (EIN)
81-4708299**2c** Plan Sponsor's telephone number
(303) 900-2297**2d** Business code (see instructions)
611000**Caution: A penalty for the late or incomplete filing of this return/report will be assessed unless reasonable cause is established.**

Under penalties of perjury and other penalties set forth in the instructions, I declare that I have examined this return/report, including accompanying schedules, statements and attachments, as well as the electronic version of this return/report, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete.

SIGN HERE		10/13/2022	Christopher Scott
	Signature of plan administrator	Date	Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator
SIGN HERE		10/13/2022	Christopher Scott
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ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
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December 31, 2021

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Plan Administrator
Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan
Golden, Colorado

Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit

We have performed an audit of the accompanying financial statements of Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan, an employee benefit plan subject to the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA), as permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C). The financial statements comprise the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2021, and the related statement of changes in net assets available for benefits for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audit of Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan's financial statements performed in accordance with ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) pursuant to 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. As permitted by ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C), our audit need not extend to any statements or information related to assets held for investment of the plan (investment information) by a bank or similar institution or insurance carrier that is regulated, supervised, and subject to periodic examination by a state or federal agency, provided that the statements or information regarding assets so held are prepared and certified to by the bank or similar institution or insurance carrier in accordance with 29 CFR 2520.103-5 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA (qualified institution).

Management has obtained a certification from a qualified institution as of and for the year ended December 31, 2021, stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 3 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Opinion on the 2021 Financial Statements

In our opinion, based on our audit and on the procedures performed as described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements section—

- the amounts and disclosures in the accompanying 2021 financial statements referred to above, other than those agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

- the information in the accompanying 2021 financial statements referred to above related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to, or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Basis for Opinion on the 2021 Financial Statements

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America (GAAS). Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements section of our report. We are required to be independent of Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) 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 ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit opinion.

Responsibilities of Management for the 2021 Financial Statements

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. Management's election of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit does not affect management's responsibility for the financial statements.

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 Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date the financial statements are available to be issued.

Management is also responsible for maintaining a current plan instrument, including all plan amendments; administering the plan; and determining that the plan's transactions that are presented and disclosed in the financial statements are in conformity with the plan's provisions, including maintaining sufficient records with respect to each of the participants, to determine the benefits due or which may become due to such participants.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements

Except as described in the Scope and Nature of the ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) Audit of the 2021 Financial Statements section of our report, 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 opinion. 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 Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) 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 Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

Our audit did not extend to the certified investment information, except for obtaining and reading the certification, comparing the certified investment information with the related information presented and disclosed in the 2021 financial statements, and reading the disclosures relating to the certified investment information to assess whether they are in accordance with the presentation and disclosure requirements of accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Accordingly, the objective of an ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit is not to express an opinion about whether the financial statements as a whole are presented fairly, in all material respects, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

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.

Other Matters

2021 Supplemental Schedules Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedules of assets (held at end of year) and delinquent participant contributions are presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. The information included in the supplemental schedules, other than that agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, has been subjected to auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with GAAS. For information included in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, we compared such information to the related certified investment information.

In forming our opinion on the supplemental schedules, we evaluated whether the supplemental schedules, other than the information agreed to or derived from the certified investment information, including its form and content, is presented in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.

In our opinion—

- the form and content of the supplemental schedules, other than the information in the supplemental schedules that agreed to or is derived from the certified investment information, is presented, in all material respects, in conformity with the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA.
- the information in the supplemental schedule related to assets held by and certified to by a qualified institution agrees to or is derived from, in all material respects, the information prepared and certified by an institution that management determined meets the requirements of ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C).

Report on Compiled 2020 Financial Statement

Plan management is responsible for the accompanying financial statement of the Plan, which comprises the statement of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2020. We have performed a compilation engagement in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services promulgated by the Accounting and Review Services Committee of the AICPA. We did not audit or review the financial statement nor were we required to perform any procedures to verify the accuracy or completeness of the information provided by plan management. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion, a conclusion, or provide any form of assurance on the financial statements of Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan as of and for the year ended December 31, 2020.

Hamington Langer & Associates

October 4, 2022

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
December 31, 2021 and 2020

	2021	(Compiled) 2020
ASSETS		
Investments, at fair value	\$ 430,554	\$ 205,590
Receivables:		
Participant contributions	15,299	8,191
Employer contributions	5,337	2,653
Dividends	39	17
TOTAL RECEIVABLES	20,675	10,861
Non-Interest bearing cash	2	1,054
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	\$ 451,231	\$ 217,505

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS
Year Ended December 31, 2021

ADDITIONS

Additions to net assets attributed to:

Investment income:

Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 56,855
Interest and dividends	<u>5,656</u>
Total investment income	<u>62,511</u>

Contributions:

Employee	181,269
Employer	<u>36,121</u>
Total contributions	<u>217,390</u>

TOTAL ADDITIONS	<u>279,901</u>
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DEDUCTIONS

Benefits paid to participants	41,691
Administrative fees	<u>4,484</u>

TOTAL DEDUCTIONS	<u>46,175</u>
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NET INCREASE	233,726
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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>217,505</u>
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END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 451,231</u></u>
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ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of Ascent Classical Academies 403(b) Plan (the “Plan”) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the Plan document or summary plan description for a more complete description of the Plan’s provisions, which are available from the plan administrator.

General:

The Plan is a defined contribution plan sponsored by Ascent Classical Academies (the “Organization”) for the benefit of its employees. All permissible employees of the Organization, as defined in accordance with the universal availability standards are eligible to enroll on their date of hire. Upon becoming eligible, the employee may enter the plan on the date of employment. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (“ERISA”).

Contributions:

Participants may contribute up to 100% of annual compensation as pre-tax or Roth contributions, as defined by the Plan. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or contribution plans. Additionally, participants age 50 or older, who are making contributions to the Plan, are allowed to make catch-up contributions as defined in the Plan. Participants direct the investment of their contributions into various investment options offered by the Plan. The Organization contributes a fixed match of 3% to the following group of participants: network leadership, teacher, paraprofessional, office professional, campus administrator, maintenance professional, and teaching assistant. Additional amounts may be contributed at the option of the Organization, none were contributed in 2021. Contributions are subject to certain Internal Revenue Code (“IRC”) limitations.

Participant Investment Account Options:

The Plan currently offers a variety of mutual funds as investment options for participants.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (continued)

Participant Accounts:

Each participant's account is credited with the participant's contribution and allocations of (a) the Organization's contribution and (b) plan earnings and charged with an allocation of administrative expenses. Allocations are based on participant earnings or account balances, as defined. The benefit to which a participant is entitled is the benefit that can be provided from the participant's vested account.

Vesting:

Participants are immediately vested in their contributions plus actual earnings thereon. Vesting in the Organization's contribution portion of their accounts is based on years of continuous service. A participant is 100% vested after three years of credited service.

Notes Receivable from Participants:

Participants may borrow from their account balances a minimum of \$1,000 up to a maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their vested account balance. Loan terms cannot exceed five years, except for the purchase of a principal residence. The loans are secured by the balance in the participant's account and bear interest at rates which are commensurate with local prevailing rates as determined by the plan administrator. Participants can have a maximum of one loan outstanding at any given time. Principal and interest is paid ratably through periodic payroll deductions.

Benefit Payments:

On termination of service due to death, disability or retirement, a participant may elect to receive either a lump sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account or annual installments. For termination of service due to other reasons, a participant may receive the value of the vested interest in his or her account as a lump sum distribution.

Forfeited Accounts:

At December 31, 2021 and 2020, forfeited nonvested accounts totaled \$0 and \$1,054, respectively. These accounts will be used to reduce future employer contributions. Also, for the year ended December 31, 2021, employer contributions were reduced by \$5,236, from forfeited nonvested accounts.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting:

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared under the accrual method of accounting.

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 and disclosures. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition:

Investments are reported at fair value. Fair value is the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. See Note 4 for a discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of investment units are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation or depreciation includes the Plan's gains or losses on investments bought and sold, as well as held during the year.

Notes Receivable from Participants:

Notes receivable from participants are measured at their unpaid principal balances plus any accrued but unpaid interest. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses when incurred. No allowance for credit losses has been recorded as of December 31, 2021 and 2020. If a participant ceases to make loan repayments and the plan administrator deems the participant to be in default, the participant loan balance is reduced, and the delinquent participant note receivable is recorded as a benefit payment based upon terms of the Plan document.

Payment of Benefits:

Benefits are recorded when paid.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

Administrative Expenses:

Certain expenses of the Plan are paid by the Organization and are not included in the statement of changes in net assets available for benefits. Fees related to the administration of notes receivable from participants are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Investment related expenses are included in net appreciation of fair value of investments.

Subsequent Events:

In preparing these financial statements, the Sponsor has evaluated events and transactions for potential recognition or disclosure through October 4, 2022, the date the financial statements were available to be issued.

NOTE 3. INFORMATION PREPARED AND CERTIFIED BY THE CUSTODIAN

The plan administrator has elected the method of annual reporting compliance permitted by 29 CFR 2520.103-8 of the Department of Labor's Rules and Regulations for Reporting and Disclosure under ERISA. Accordingly, Matrix Trust Company, the custodian of the Plan, has certified that the following data included in the accompanying financial statements and supplemental schedule is complete and accurate with respect to investments:

- Investments at fair value
- Net appreciation in fair value of investments
- Interest and dividends
- Schedule of assets (held at end of year)

The Plan's independent public accountants did not perform auditing procedures with respect to this information, except for comparing such information to the related information included in the financial statements and supplemental schedule.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS

The framework for measuring fair value provides 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 1) and the lowest priority to unobservable inputs (Level 3). The three levels of the fair value hierarchy under FASB ASC 820 are described below:

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| Level 1 | Inputs to the valuation methodology are unadjusted quoted prices for identical assets or liabilities in active markets that the Plan has the ability to access. |
| Level 2 | Inputs to the valuation methodology include quoted prices for similar assets and liabilities in active markets; quoted prices for identical or similar assets and liabilities in inactive markets; inputs other than quoted market prices that are observable for the asset or liability; and inputs that are derived principally from or corroborated by observable market data by correlation or other means. If the asset or liability has a specified (contractual) term, the Level 2 input must be observable for substantially the full term of the asset or liability. |
| Level 3 | Inputs to the valuation methodology are unobservable and significant to measurement. |

The asset or liability's fair value measurement level within the fair value hierarchy is based on the lowest level of any input that is significant to the fair value measurement. Valuation techniques used need to maximize the use of observable inputs and minimize the use of unobservable inputs.

Following is a description of the valuation methodologies used for assets measured at fair value. There have been no changes in the methodologies used at December 31, 2021 and 2020.

Mutual Funds: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-end mutual funds that are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. These funds are required to publish their daily Net Asset Value ("NAV") and to transact at that price. The mutual funds held by the Plan are deemed to be actively traded.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 4. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (continued)

The following table sets forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2021 and 2020:

Investments at Fair Value as of December 31, 2021				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 430,554	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 430,554

Investments at Fair Value as of December 31, 2020				
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 205,591	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 205,591

NOTE 5. TAX STATUS

The Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") has determined that the prototype 401(k) profit sharing plan is designed in accordance with applicable sections of the IRC and informed the custodian of such in a letter dated March 31, 2017. Although the Plan has been amended since receiving the opinion letter, the plan administrator believes that the Plan and related trust are currently designed and being operated in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require Plan management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognizes a tax liability (or asset) if the Plan has taken an uncertain position that more likely than not would not be sustained upon examination by the applicable authorities. The plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

NOTE 6. PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

The plan allows for transactions with certain parties-in-interest therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest transactions.

Fees incurred by the Plan for the investment management services are included in net appreciation in fair value of the investments, as they are paid through revenue sharing, rather than a direct payment. As described in Note 2, the Plan made direct payments to the third party administrator and other service providers of \$4,484 for the year ended December 31, 2021, respectively, which was not covered by revenue sharing. The Plan paid certain expenses related to the Plan's operations and investment activity to various service providers. These transactions are party-in-interest transactions. The Plan Sponsor pays directly any other fees related to the Plan's operations.

NOTE 7. PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the Sponsor has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to provisions of ERISA.

NOTE 8. RISKS, UNCERTAINTIES AND CONCENTRATIONS

The Plan invests in various investment securities. Investment securities are exposed to various risks such as interest rate, market, and credit risks. Due to the level of risk associated with certain investment securities, it is at least reasonably possible that changes in the values of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statement of assets available for benefits.

At December 31, 2021 and 2020, approximately 61% and 67%, respectively of the Plan's investments were invested in the Vanguard Total Stock Mkt Idx Adm Fund and Fidelity 500 Index Fund.

NOTE 9. DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS

Defined contribution plans are required to remit employee contributions to the Plan as soon as they can be reasonably segregated from the employer's general assets. While the Company remitted all employee contributions to the Plan, contributions of \$63,348 were not remitted within the required time period for the year ended December 31, 2021. The Company has remitted these delinquent employee contributions and will calculate and remit lost earnings as a result.

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
Schedule H, Part IV - Line 4i – SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
EIN: 81-4708299
PLAN NUMBER: 001
December 31, 2021

(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
	Identity of Issue, Borrower, Lessor or Similar Party	Description of Investments Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par or Maturity Value	Cost	Current Value
	Artisan International Value Investor Fund	Mutual Fund	**	\$ 898
	BlackRock Mid-Cap Growth Equity Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	6,931
	Columbia Convertible Securities Inst2 Fund	Mutual Fund	**	3,427
	Dodge & Cox Income Fund	Mutual Fund	**	326
	Federated Hermes Short Interm TR Bd IS Fund	Mutual Fund	**	5,364
	Federated Hermes Instl High Yield Bd IS Fund	Mutual Fund	**	8,964
	Fidelity 500 Index Fund	Mutual Fund	**	166,064
	Fidelity US Bond Index Fund	Mutual Fund	**	1,676
	JPMorgan Equity Income R5 Fund	Mutual Fund	**	2,132
	Putnam Growth Opportunities Y Fund	Mutual Fund	**	9,022
	Principal Real Estate Securities Inst Fund	Mutual Fund	**	421
	American Funds Inflation Linked Bd R6 Fund	Mutual Fund	**	838
	American Funds New World R6 Fund	Mutual Fund	**	1,395
	TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Index 2050 Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	30,915
	TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Index 2045 Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	1,192
	TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Index 2035 Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	6,867
	TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Index 2040 Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	27,662
	T. Rowe Price Spectrum Mod Gr Allc Fund	Mutual Fund	**	916
	TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Index 2055 Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	7,008
	TIAA-CREF Lifecycle Index 2060 Instl Fund	Mutual Fund	**	16,425
	Vanguard Balanced Index Adm Fund	Mutual Fund	**	18,869
	Vanguard Small Cap Index Adm Fund	Mutual Fund	**	6,077
	Vanguard Total Intl Bd Idx Admiral Fund	Mutual Fund	**	7,725
	Vanguard Total Intl Stock Index Admiral Fund	Mutual Fund	**	2,289
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	Vanguard International Growth Adm Fund	Mutual Fund	**	171
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ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
Schedule H - Line 4a – SCHEDULE OF DELINQUENT PARTICIPANT CONTRIBUTIONS
EIN: 81-4708299
PLAN NUMBER: 001
Year Ended December 31, 2021

	Participant Contributions Transferred Late to the Plan	Total That Constitute Nonexempt Prohibited Transactions			Total Fully Corrected Under Voluntary Fiduciary Correction Program (VFCP) and Prohibited Transaction Exemption 2002-51
	Check Here If Late Participant Loan Repayments are Included:	Contributions Not Corrected	Contributions Corrected Outside VFCP	Contribution Pending Correction in VFCP	
2020					\$ 1,814
2021				\$ 63,348	

ASCENT CLASSICAL ACADEMIES 403(B) PLAN
Schedule H, Part IV - Line 4i – SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
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PLAN NUMBER: 001
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