

Form 5500

Annual Return/Report of Employee Benefit Plan

OMB Nos. 1210-0110 1210-0089

2024

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Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service

Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration

Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation

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.

Part I Annual Report Identification Information

For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

- A This return/report is for: [] a multiemployer plan [] a multiple-employer plan... [X] a single-employer plan [] a DFE... B This return/report is: [] the first return/report [] the final return/report... C If the plan is a collectively-bargained plan, check here... D Check box if filing under: [X] Form 5558 [] automatic extension... 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: MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN
1b Three-digit plan number (PN): 001
1c Effective date of plan: 01/01/1961
2a Plan sponsor's name (employer, if for a single-employer plan): MONTREAT COLLEGE
2b Employer Identification Number (EIN): 56-0543261
2c Plan Sponsor's telephone number: 828-669-8012
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.

Table with 4 columns: SIGN HERE, Signature of plan administrator, Date, Enter name of individual signing as plan administrator. Includes rows for employer/plan sponsor and DFE.

For Paperwork Reduction Act Notice, see the Instructions for Form 5500.

3a Plan administrator's name and address <input type="checkbox"/> Same as Plan Sponsor PENTEGRA SERVICES, INC. 701 WESTCHESTER AVE, SUITE 320E WHITE PLAINS, NY 10604	3b Administrator's EIN 13-3745616 3c Administrator's telephone number 844-367-2848
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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
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5 Total number of participants at the beginning of the plan year	5	292
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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	6a(1)	198
a(2) Total number of active participants at the end of the plan year	6a(2)	164
b Retired or separated participants receiving benefits	6b	0
c Other retired or separated participants entitled to future benefits	6c	126
d Subtotal. Add lines 6a(2) , 6b , and 6c	6d	290
e Deceased participants whose beneficiaries are receiving or are entitled to receive benefits.	6e	1
f Total. Add lines 6d and 6e	6f	291
g(1) Number of participants with account balances as of the beginning of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(1)	276
g(2) Number of participants with account balances as of the end of the plan year (only defined contribution plans complete this item)	6g(2)	285
h Number of participants who terminated employment during the plan year with accrued benefits that were less than 100% vested.....	6h	0

7 Enter the total number of employers obligated to contribute to the plan (only multiemployer plans complete this item)	7	
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8a If the plan provides pension benefits, enter the applicable pension feature codes from the List of Plan Characteristics Codes in the instructions:
 2G 2J 2K 2L 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) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor	9b Plan benefit arrangement (check all that apply) (1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Insurance (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Code section 412(e)(3) insurance contracts (3) <input type="checkbox"/> Trust (4) <input type="checkbox"/> General assets of the sponsor
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10 Check all applicable boxes in 10a and 10b to indicate which schedules are attached, and, where indicated, enter the number attached. (See instructions)

<p>a Pension Schedules</p> <p>(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> R (Retirement Plan Information)</p> <p>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> MB (Multiemployer Defined Benefit Plan and Certain Money Purchase Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary</p> <p>(3) <input type="checkbox"/> SB (Single-Employer Defined Benefit Plan Actuarial Information) - signed by the plan actuary</p> <p>(4) <input type="checkbox"/> DCG (Individual Plan Information) – Number Attached _____</p> <p>(5) <input type="checkbox"/> MEP (Multiple-Employer Retirement Plan Information)</p>	<p>b General Schedules</p> <p>(1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> H (Financial Information)</p> <p>(2) <input type="checkbox"/> I (Financial Information – Small Plan)</p> <p>(3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A (Insurance Information) – Number Attached <u> 2 </u></p> <p>(4) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C (Service Provider Information)</p> <p>(5) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> D (DFE/Participating Plan Information)</p> <p>(6) <input type="checkbox"/> G (Financial Transaction Schedules)</p>
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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 2024 Form M-1 annual report. If the plan was not required to file the 2024 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 _____

<p>SCHEDULE A (Form 5500)</p> <p>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</p> <hr/> <p>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</p> <hr/> <p>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</p>	<p>Insurance Information</p> <p>This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).</p> <p>▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.</p> <p>▶ Insurance companies are required to provide the information pursuant to ERISA section 103(a)(2).</p>	<p>OMB No. 1210-0110</p> <hr/> <p>2024</p> <hr/> <p>This Form is Open to Public Inspection</p>
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

<p>A Name of plan MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN</p>	<p>B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001</p>	
<p>C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 MONTREAT COLLEGE</p>	<p>D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-0543261</p>	

Part I Information Concerning Insurance Contract Coverage, Fees, and Commissions Provide information for each contract on a separate Schedule A. Individual contracts grouped as a unit in Parts II and III can be reported on a single Schedule A.

1 Coverage Information:

(a) Name of insurance carrier
TIAA-CREF

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
13-1624203	69345	348005	240	01/01/2024	12/31/2024

2 Insurance fee and commission information. Enter the total fees and total commissions paid. List in line 3 the agents, brokers, and other persons in descending order of the amount paid.

(a) Total amount of commissions paid	(b) Total amount of fees paid
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3 Persons receiving commissions and fees. (Complete as many entries as needed to report all persons).

(a) Name and address of the agent, broker, or other person to whom commissions or fees were paid

(b) Amount of sales and base commissions paid	Fees and other commissions paid		(e) Organization code
	(c) Amount	(d) Purpose	

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Part II	Investment and Annuity Contract Information	
	Where individual contracts are provided, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.	
4	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	2278926
5	Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	4986404
6	Contracts With Allocated Funds:	
a	State the basis of premium rates ▶	
b	Premiums paid to carrier	6b
c	Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year	6c
d	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount. Specify nature of costs ▶	6d
e	Type of contract: (1) <input type="checkbox"/> individual policies (2) <input type="checkbox"/> group deferred annuity (3) <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify) ▶	
f	If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶ <input type="checkbox"/>	
7	Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)	
a	Type of contract: (1) <input type="checkbox"/> deposit administration (2) <input type="checkbox"/> immediate participation guarantee (3) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> guaranteed investment (4) <input type="checkbox"/> other ▶	
b	Balance at the end of the previous year	7b 2041301
c	Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1) 14368
	(2) Dividends and credits.....	7c(2) 0
	(3) Interest credited during the year.....	7c(3) 105397
	(4) Transferred from separate account	7c(4) 1160617
	(5) Other (specify below)..... ▶ OTHER MISC EARNINGS	7c(5) 18650
	(6) Total additions	7c(6) 1299032
d	Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d 3340333
e	Deductions:	
	(1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1) 278009
	(2) Administration charge made by carrier.....	7e(2) 0
	(3) Transferred to separate account	7e(3) 777258
	(4) Other (specify below)..... ▶ OTHER MISC FEES	7e(4) 6140
(5) Total deductions	7e(5) 1061407	
f	Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d).....	7f 2278926

Part III Welfare Benefit Contract Information
 If more than one contract covers the same group of employees of the same employer(s) or members of the same employee organizations(s), the information may be combined for reporting purposes if such contracts are experience-rated as a unit. Where contracts cover individual employees, the entire group of such individual contracts with each carrier may be treated as a unit for purposes of this report.

8 Benefit and contract type (check all applicable boxes)

- a** Health (other than dental or vision)
- b** Dental
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- d** Life insurance
- e** Temporary disability (accident and sickness)
- f** Long-term disability
- g** Supplemental unemployment
- h** Prescription drug
- i** Stop loss (large deductible)
- j** HMO contract
- k** PPO contract
- l** Indemnity contract
- m** Other (specify) ▶

9 Experience-rated contracts:

a	Premiums: (1) Amount received	9a(1)		
	(2) Increase (decrease) in amount due but unpaid	9a(2)		
	(3) Increase (decrease) in unearned premium reserve	9a(3)		
	(4) Earned ((1) + (2) - (3))		9a(4)	0
b	Benefit charges (1) Claims paid	9b(1)		
	(2) Increase (decrease) in claim reserves	9b(2)		
	(3) Incurred claims (add (1) and (2))		9b(3)	0
	(4) Claims charged		9b(4)	
c	Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
	(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)		
	(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)		
	(C) Other specific acquisition costs	9c(1)(C)		
	(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)		
	(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)		
	(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	9c(1)(F)		
	(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)		
	(H) Total retention		9c(1)(H)	0
	(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.)		9c(2)	
d	Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement		9d(1)	
	(2) Claim reserves		9d(2)	
	(3) Other reserves		9d(3)	
e	Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)		9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a	Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	10a	
b	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.	10b	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? Yes No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

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AXA EQUITABLE INSURANCE COMPANY

(b) EIN	(c) NAIC code	(d) Contract or identification number	(e) Approximate number of persons covered at end of policy or contract year	Policy or contract year	
				(f) From	(g) To
13-5570651	62944	711845001	11	01/01/2024	12/31/2024

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4 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in the general account at year end	4	113994
5 Current value of plan's interest under this contract in separate accounts at year end.....	5	412882

6 Contracts With Allocated Funds:

a State the basis of premium rates ▶

b Premiums paid to carrier	6b	
c Premiums due but unpaid at the end of the year	6c	
d If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, enter amount. Specify nature of costs ▶	6d	

e Type of contract: (1) individual policies (2) group deferred annuity
 (3) other (specify) ▶

f If contract purchased, in whole or in part, to distribute benefits from a terminating plan, check here ▶

7 Contracts With Unallocated Funds (Do not include portions of these contracts maintained in separate accounts)

a Type of contract: (1) deposit administration (2) immediate participation guarantee
 (3) guaranteed investment (4) other ▶

b Balance at the end of the previous year	7b	110689
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c Additions: (1) Contributions deposited during the year	7c(1)	0
	7c(2)	0
	7c(3)	3320
	7c(4)	0
	7c(5)	0

(6) Total additions	7c(6)	3320
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d Total of balance and additions (add lines 7b and 7c(6))	7d	114009
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e Deductions: (1) Disbursed from fund to pay benefits or purchase annuities during year	7e(1)	0
	7e(2)	15
	7e(3)	0
	7e(4)	0

(5) Total deductions	7e(5)	15
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f Balance at the end of the current year (subtract line 7e(5) from line 7d).....	7f	113994
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c	Remainder of premium: (1) Retention charges (on an accrual basis) --			
	(A) Commissions	9c(1)(A)		
	(B) Administrative service or other fees	9c(1)(B)		
	(C) Other specific acquisition costs	9c(1)(C)		
	(D) Other expenses	9c(1)(D)		
	(E) Taxes	9c(1)(E)		
	(F) Charges for risks or other contingencies	9c(1)(F)		
	(G) Other retention charges	9c(1)(G)		
	(H) Total retention		9c(1)(H)	0
	(2) Dividends or retroactive rate refunds. (These amounts were <input type="checkbox"/> paid in cash, or <input type="checkbox"/> credited.)		9c(2)	
d	Status of policyholder reserves at end of year: (1) Amount held to provide benefits after retirement		9d(1)	
	(2) Claim reserves		9d(2)	
	(3) Other reserves		9d(3)	
e	Dividends or retroactive rate refunds due. (Do not include amount entered in line 9c(2).)		9e	

10 Nonexperience-rated contracts:

a	Total premiums or subscription charges paid to carrier	10a	
b	If the carrier, service, or other organization incurred any specific costs in connection with the acquisition or retention of the contract or policy, other than reported in Part I, line 2 above, report amount.	10b	

Specify nature of costs.

Part IV Provision of Information

11 Did the insurance company fail to provide any information necessary to complete Schedule A? Yes No

12 If the answer to line 11 is "Yes," specify the information not provided. ▶

SCHEDULE C (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	Service Provider Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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Part I Service Provider Information (see instructions)

You must complete this Part, in accordance with the instructions, to report the information required for **each person** who received, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of monetary value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or the person's position with the plan during the plan year. If a person received **only** eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures, you are required to answer line 1 but are not required to include that person when completing the remainder of this Part.

1 Information on Persons Receiving Only Eligible Indirect Compensation

a Check "Yes" or "No" to indicate whether you are excluding a person from the remainder of this Part because they received only eligible indirect compensation for which the plan received the required disclosures (see instructions for definitions and conditions)..... Yes No

b If you answered line 1a "Yes," enter the name and EIN or address of each person providing the required disclosures for the service providers who received only eligible indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed (see instructions).

(b) Enter name and EIN or address of person who provided you disclosures on eligible indirect compensation

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13-1624203	

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2. Information on Other Service Providers Receiving Direct or Indirect Compensation. Except for those persons for whom you answered "Yes" to line 1a above, complete as many entries as needed to list each person receiving, directly or indirectly, \$5,000 or more in total compensation (i.e., money or anything else of value) in connection with services rendered to the plan or their position with the plan during the plan year. (See instructions).

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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1582 N 1060 RD
LAWRENCEVILLE, KS 66046

27-3055170

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
28 50	NONE	14577	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

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(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
15 54 66 52 27 38 17 64	NONE	1758	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	0	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

(a) Enter name and EIN or address (see instructions)

(b) Service Code(s)	(c) Relationship to employer, employee organization, or person known to be a party-in-interest	(d) Enter direct compensation paid by the plan. If none, enter -0-.	(e) Did service provider receive indirect compensation? (sources other than plan or plan sponsor)	(f) Did indirect compensation include eligible indirect compensation, for which the plan received the required disclosures?	(g) Enter total indirect compensation received by service provider excluding eligible indirect compensation for which you answered "Yes" to element (f). If none, enter -0-.	(h) Did the service provider give you a formula instead of an amount or estimated amount?
			Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

Part I Service Provider Information (continued)

3. If you reported on line 2 receipt of indirect compensation, other than eligible indirect compensation, by a service provider, and the service provider is a fiduciary or provides contract administrator, consulting, custodial, investment advisory, investment management, broker, or recordkeeping services, answer the following questions for (a) each source from whom the service provider received \$1,000 or more in indirect compensation and (b) each source for whom the service provider gave you a formula used to determine the indirect compensation instead of an amount or estimated amount of the indirect compensation. Complete as many entries as needed to report the required information for each source.

(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	
(a) Enter service provider name as it appears on line 2	(b) Service Codes (see instructions)	(c) Enter amount of indirect compensation
(d) Enter name and EIN (address) of source of indirect compensation	(e) Describe the indirect compensation, including any formula used to determine the service provider's eligibility for or the amount of the indirect compensation.	

Part II Service Providers Who Fail or Refuse to Provide Information

4 Provide, to the extent possible, the following information for each service provider who failed or refused to provide the information necessary to complete this Schedule.

(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide
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(a) Enter name and EIN or address of service provider (see instructions)	(b) Nature of Service Code(s)	(c) Describe the information that the service provider failed or refused to provide

Part III Termination Information on Accountants and Enrolled Actuaries (see instructions)
(complete as many entries as needed)

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
c Position:	
d Address:	e Telephone:

Explanation:

a Name:	b EIN:
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a Name:	b EIN:
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a Name:	b EIN:
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Explanation:

SCHEDULE D (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small>	DFE/Participating Plan Information This schedule is required to be filed under section 104 of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA). ▶ File as an attachment to Form 5500.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024

A Name of plan <u>MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN</u>	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	<u>001</u>
C Plan or DFE sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 <u>MONTREAT COLLEGE</u>	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) <u>56-0543261</u>	

Part I	Information on interests in MTIAs, CCTs, PSAs, and 103-12 IEs (to be completed by plans and DFEs) (Complete as many entries as needed to report all interests in DFEs)
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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE: <u>TIAA REAL ESTATE</u>		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a): <u>TIAA-CREF</u>		
c EIN-PN <u>13-1624203-004</u>	d Entity code <u>P</u>	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions) <u>131293</u>
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)
a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:		
b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):		
c EIN-PN	d Entity code	e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

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b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

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d Entity code

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a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

a Name of MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE:

b Name of sponsor of entity listed in (a):

c EIN-PN

d Entity code

e Dollar value of interest in MTIA, CCT, PSA, or 103-12 IE at end of year (see instructions)

SCHEDULE H (Form 5500) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	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.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning 01/01/2024 and ending 12/31/2024	
A Name of plan MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶ 001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 MONTREAT COLLEGE	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-0543261

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.

		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
a Total noninterest-bearing cash	1a		
b Receivables (less allowance for doubtful accounts):			
(1) Employer contributions	1b(1)	0	6426
(2) Participant contributions	1b(2)	0	39775
(3) Other	1b(3)		
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)	0	0
(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)	30980	25078
(9) Value of interest in common/collective trusts	1c(9)		
(10) Value of interest in pooled separate accounts	1c(10)	544135	131293
(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)	5954481	7033384
(14) Value of funds held in insurance company general account (unallocated contracts).....	1c(14)	2151990	2392920
(15) Other.....	1c(15)	0	28216

1d Employer-related investments:		(a) Beginning of Year	(b) End of Year
(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	8681586	9657092
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	8681586	9657092

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.

Income		(a) Amount	(b) Total
a Contributions:			
(1) Received or receivable in cash from: (A) Employers.....	2a(1)(A)	69412	
(B) Participants.....	2a(1)(B)	428764	
(C) Others (including rollovers).....	2a(1)(C)	60288	
(2) Noncash contributions.....	2a(2)		
(3) Total contributions. Add lines 2a(1)(A) , (B) , (C) , and line 2a(2)	2a(3)		558464
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)	2584	
(F) Other.....	2b(1)(F)	108733	
(G) Total interest. Add lines 2b(1)(A) through (F)	2b(1)(G)		111317
(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)	69851	
(D) Total dividends. Add lines 2b(2)(A) , (B) , and (C)	2b(2)(D)		69851
(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)		
(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)		

		(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)		79478
(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)		846292
c Other income	2c		19877
d Total income. Add all income amounts in column (b) and enter total	2d		1685279

Expenses

e Benefit payment and payments to provide benefits:			
(1) Directly to participants or beneficiaries, including direct rollovers	2e(1)	669429	
(2) To insurance carriers for the provision of benefits	2e(2)	15484	
(3) Other	2e(3)		
(4) Total benefit payments. Add lines 2e(1) through (3)	2e(4)		684913
f Corrective distributions (see instructions)	2f		
g Certain deemed distributions of participant loans (see instructions)	2g		
h Interest expense	2h		
i Administrative expenses:			
(1) Salaries and allowances	2i(1)		
(2) Contract administrator fees	2i(2)	24502	
(3) Recordkeeping fees	2i(3)		
(4) IQPA audit fees	2i(4)		
(5) Investment advisory and investment management fees	2i(5)		
(6) Bank or trust company trustee/custodial fees	2i(6)		
(7) Actuarial fees	2i(7)		
(8) Legal fees	2i(8)		
(9) Valuation/appraisal fees	2i(9)		
(10) Other trustee fees and expenses	2i(10)		
(11) Other expenses	2i(11)	358	
(12) Total administrative expenses. Add lines 2i(1) through (11)	2i(12)		24860
j Total expenses. Add all expense amounts in column (b) and enter total	2j		709773

Net Income and Reconciliation

k Net income (loss). Subtract line 2j from line 2d	2k		975506
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: SIKICH CPA LLC

(2) EIN: 54-1172176

d The opinion of an independent qualified public accountant is **not attached** as part of Schedule H because:

(1) This form is filed for a CCT, PSA, DCG 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. DCGs do not complete lines 4e, 4f, 4k, 4l, and 5, and DCGs generally complete the rest of Part IV collectively for all plans in the DCG, except as otherwise provided (see instructions).

During the plan year:

	Yes	No	Amount
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.)		X	
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.)		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.)		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.)		X	
e Was this plan covered by a fidelity bond?	X		500000
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	
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?		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?		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		
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.)		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?		X	
l Has the plan failed to provide any benefit when due under the plan?		X	
m If this is an individual account plan, was there a blackout period? (See instructions and 29 CFR 2520.101-3.)		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.			

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) <small>Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service</small> <small>Department of Labor Employee Benefits Security Administration</small> <small>Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation</small>	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.	<small>OMB No. 1210-0110</small> 2024 This Form is Open to Public Inspection.
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For calendar plan year 2024 or fiscal plan year beginning **01/01/2024** and ending **12/31/2024**

A Name of plan MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN	B Three-digit plan number (PN) ▶	001
C Plan sponsor's name as shown on line 2a of Form 5500 MONTREAT COLLEGE	D Employer Identification Number (EIN) 56-0543261	

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.....

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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): 13-1624203 13-5570651

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.....

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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)? Yes No N/A
If the plan is a defined benefit plan, go to line 8.

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

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

Part V Additional Information for Multiemployer Defined Benefit Pension Plans

13 Enter the following information for each employer that (1) contributed more than 5% of total contributions to the plan during the plan year or (2) was one of the top-ten highest contributors (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 _____

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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(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: <input type="checkbox"/> last contributing employer <input type="checkbox"/> alternative <input type="checkbox"/> reasonable approximation (see instructions for required attachment).....	14a	
b The plan year immediately preceding the current plan year. <input type="checkbox"/> 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. <input type="checkbox"/> 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) and (b):

a Enter the percentage of plan assets held as:
 Public Equity: _____% Private Equity: _____% Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets: _____%
 High-Yield Debt: _____% Real Assets: _____% Cash or Cash Equivalents: _____% Other: _____%

b Provide the average duration of the Investment-Grade Debt and Interest Rate Hedging Assets:
 0-5 years 5-10 years 10-15 years 15 years or more

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: _____

Part VII IRS Compliance Questions

21a Does the plan satisfy the coverage and nondiscrimination tests of Code sections 410(b) and 401(a)(4) by combining this plan with any other plans under the permissive aggregation rules? Yes No

21b If this is a Code section 401(k) plan, check all boxes that apply to indicate how the plan is intended to satisfy the nondiscrimination requirements for employee deferrals and employer matching contributions (as applicable) under Code sections 401(k)(3) and 401(m)(2).
 Design-based safe harbor method
 "Prior year" ADP test
 "Current year" ADP test
 N/A

22 If the plan sponsor is an adopter of a pre-approved plan that received a favorable IRS Opinion Letter, enter the date of the Opinion Letter 03 / 31 / 2017 (MM/DD/YYYY) and the Opinion Letter serial number J500543A.



**MONTREAT COLLEGE
RETIREMENT PLAN**

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND
INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

For the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023



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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Trustees Audit, Finance, Investment Committee and
Plan Administrator of Montreat College Retirement Plan

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

We were engaged to perform audits of the financial statements of Montreat College Retirement Plan (the 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) (ERISA Section 103(a)(3)(C) audit). The financial statements comprise the statements of net assets available for benefits as of December 31, 2024 and 2023, and the related statements of changes in net assets available for benefits for the years then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

Management, having determined it is permissible in the circumstances, has elected to have the audits of the 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 audits 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 certifications from qualified institutions and from an agent on behalf of the qualified institution as of and for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 stating that the certified investment information, as described in Note 6 to the financial statements, is complete and accurate.

Disclaimer of Opinion

We do not express an opinion on the financial statements of the Plan referred to in the first paragraph. Because of the significance of the matters described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion section of our report, we have not been able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on the financial statements.

Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion

The Plan has not maintained sufficient accounting records and supporting documents relating to certain annuity contracts and custodial accounts issued to current and former employees prior to January 1, 2009. Accordingly, we were unable to apply auditing procedures sufficient to determine the extent to which the accompanying financial statements may have been affected by these conditions.

Further, as described in Note 11 to the financial statements, the Plan has excluded from investments in the accompanying statements of net assets available for benefits certain annuity contracts and custodial accounts issued to current and former employees prior to January 1, 2009, as permitted by the Department of Labor's Field Assistance Bulletin No. 2009-02, *Annual Reporting Requirements for 403(b) Plans*. The investment income and distributions related to such accounts have also been excluded in the accompanying statements of changes in net assets available for benefits. The amount of these excluded annuity contracts and custodial accounts and the related income and distributions are not determinable. Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that these accounts and the related income and distributions be included in the accompanying financial statements.

Responsibilities of Management for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the 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 the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for one year after the date that 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 Financial Statements

Our responsibility is to conduct an audit of the Plan's financial statements in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and to issue an auditor's report. However, because of the matters described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion section of our report, we were not able to obtain sufficient appropriate audit evidence to provide a basis for an audit opinion on these financial statements.

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 audits.

Other Matter - Supplemental Schedule Required by ERISA

The supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2024 is 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. Because of the significance of the matters described in the Basis for Disclaimer of Opinion section of our report, it is inappropriate to and we do not express an opinion on this supplemental schedule.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Siskin CPA LLC".

Richfield, Ohio
July 29, 2025

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN

STATEMENTS OF NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

December 31, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
ASSETS		
Investments at fair value	\$ 9,107,425	\$ 8,383,257
Investments at contract value	478,387	267,349
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Total investments	9,585,812	8,650,606
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Receivables		
Employer contribution	6,426	-
Employee contribution	39,775	-
Notes receivable from participants	25,079	30,980
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Total receivables	71,280	30,980
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Total assets	9,657,092	8,681,586
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LIABILITIES		
None	-	-
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NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS	<u>\$ 9,657,092</u>	<u>\$ 8,681,586</u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN

STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS

For the Years Ended December 31, 2024 and 2023

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
ADDITIONS TO NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO		
Investment income		
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	\$ 890,020	\$ 1,129,433
Interest and dividends	209,771	123,687
	<u>1,099,791</u>	<u>1,253,120</u>
Interest on notes receivable from participants	2,584	1,281
Contributions		
Employee	428,764	365,101
Rollover	60,288	1,620
Employer	69,413	33,035
	<u>558,465</u>	<u>399,756</u>
Total additions	<u>1,660,840</u>	<u>1,654,157</u>
DEDUCTIONS FROM NET ASSETS ATTRIBUTED TO		
Benefits paid to participants	684,913	592,083
Administrative expenses	421	2,088
	<u>685,334</u>	<u>594,171</u>
NET INCREASE	975,506	1,059,986
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>8,681,586</u>	<u>7,621,600</u>
NET ASSETS AVAILABLE FOR BENEFITS, END OF YEAR	<u><u>\$ 9,657,092</u></u>	<u><u>\$ 8,681,586</u></u>

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

December 31, 2024 and 2023

1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN

The following description of Montreat College Retirement Plan (the Plan) provides only general information. Participants should refer to the plan document for a more complete description of the Plan's provisions.

General

The Plan is a defined contribution plan covering employees of Montreat College and its related employers (collectively, the College). The Plan excludes employees who are enrolled as students, employees who normally work less than 20 hours per week, leased employees, and non-resident aliens. Effective December 1, 2023, adjunct employees and stipend coaches are excluded from receiving employer contributions. The Plan is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 (ERISA).

The Plan was restated effective December 1, 2023. Significant changes to the plan provisions as a result of the restatement are disclosed in each applicable area. Effective January 1, 2024, the Plan was amended to remove the one month of service and 1,000 hours worked requirements for receiving discretionary matching contributions. Effective April 1, 2024, the Plan was amended to add Carolina Cyber Center, Inc. as a participating employer.

Contributions

Each year, participants may contribute up to 100% of pre-tax compensation, as defined in the Plan. Participants who have attained age 50 before the end of the plan year are eligible to make catch-up contributions. Effective December 1, 2023, participants are permitted to designate a portion or all of their deferral contributions as Roth contributions. Participants may also contribute amounts representing distributions from other qualified defined benefit or defined contribution plans.

The College may make discretionary matching contributions, as approved by the Board of Trustees. Prior to January 1, 2024, a participant must have completed one month of service and worked at least 1,000 hours during the plan year to receive the discretionary matching contribution. For the year ended December 31, 2024 and the six-month period July 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023, the College matched 1% of eligible compensation of eligible participants. No discretionary matching contributions were made for the period January 1, 2023 to June 30, 2023.

Contributions are subject to certain limitations as mandated by the Internal Revenue Code (IRC).

MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

1. DESCRIPTION OF PLAN (Continued)

Investment Options

Participants may direct all their contributions among one or more funds subject to the allocation limitations set forth in the Plan. Changes in allocation of future contributions and transfers among funds of presently invested contributions are permitted pursuant to the Plan's provisions.

Participant Accounts

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

Vesting

Participants are vested immediately in their contributions and all College discretionary contributions plus actual earnings (losses) thereon.

Notes Receivable from Participants

Participants may borrow from their fund accounts a minimum of \$1,000 up to the maximum equal to the lesser of \$50,000 or 50% of their account balance, less defaulted loans (if any). Participants can have only 1 loan outstanding at any time. The loans are secured by the balances in the participants' accounts and bear interest at the prime rate plus 1%. The term of the loan may not exceed 5 years or 10 years if the loan proceeds will be used to acquire the principal residence of the participant. Principal and interest are paid ratably by the participant directly to Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America (TIAA).

Payment of Benefits

On termination of service, death, disability, or retirement, a participant may receive a lump sum amount equal to the value of the participant's vested interest in his or her account, or various installments or annuity options, as per the Plan document. Under certain conditions, participants may receive a hardship distribution if certain criteria is met.

MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Accounting

The financial statements of the Plan are prepared on the accrual basis of accounting.

Investments held by a defined contribution plan are required to be reported at fair value, except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts. Contract value is the relevant measure for the portion of the net assets available for benefits of a defined contribution plan attributable to fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because contract value is the amount participants normally would receive if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements is in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (US GAAP) and requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities and changes therein, and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

Investment Valuation and Income Recognition

Investments are stated at fair value (except for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts, which are reported at contract 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. The Plan's Board of Trustees Audit, Finance, Investment Committee determines the Plan's valuation policies utilizing information provided by the custodians and insurance company. See Note 5 for discussion of fair value measurements.

Purchases and sales of securities are recorded on a trade-date basis. Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis and dividends are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net appreciation (depreciation) includes the Plan's gains and 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 balance plus any accrued but unpaid interest less amounts defaulted (if any). Interest income is recorded on the accrual basis. Related fees are recorded as administrative expenses and are expensed when they are incurred.

Payment of Benefits

Benefits are recorded when paid.

MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

2. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

Administrative Expenses

Certain expenses of maintaining the Plan are paid by the College and are excluded from these financial statements. Loan administration and distribution fees are charged directly to the participant's account and are included in administrative expenses. Certain investment-related expenses are included in net appreciation (depreciation) of fair value of investments.

Recent Accounting and Regulatory Pronouncements

The SECURE 2.0 Act of 2022 was signed into law on December 29, 2022. This legislation includes a vast array of provisional changes to retirement plans, becoming effective in 2023 and beyond. Plan management adopted mandatory provisions effective for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023. Plan management continues to evaluate the impact of the optional provisions of SECURE 2.0 and awaiting additional regulatory guidance from the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and Department of Labor (DOL). The application of SECURE 2.0 Act did not have a material effect on the Plan's financial statements for the plan year ended December 31, 2024 and 2023. The Plan will be amended to reflect any changes made in response to SECURE 2.0 prior to the deadline set by law or applicable regulations.

3. FULLY BENEFIT-RESPONSIVE INVESTMENT CONTRACTS

The Plan entered into fully benefit-responsive investment contracts with TIAA. The contracts meet the fully benefit-responsive investment contract criteria and therefore are reported at contract value. Contract value is the relevant measure for fully benefit-responsive investment contracts because this is the amount received by participants if they were to initiate permitted transactions under the terms of the Plan. Contract value represents contributions made under the contracts, plus earnings, less participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. As of December 31, 2024 and 2023, the contract value of the fully benefit-responsive investment contracts was \$478,387 and \$267,349, respectively.

The traditional investment contracts held by the Plan are guaranteed investment contracts. The contract issuer is contractually obligated to repay the principal and a specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan. The crediting rate is based on a formula established by the contract issuer but may not be less than 1%. The crediting rate is reviewed on a quarterly basis for resetting. The contracts cannot be terminated before the scheduled maturity date.

The Plan's ability to receive amounts due in accordance with fully benefit-responsive investment contracts is dependent on the third-party issuer's ability to meet its financial obligations. The issuer's ability to meet its contractual obligations may be affected by future economic and regulatory developments.

3. FULLY BENEFIT-RESPONSIVE INVESTMENT CONTRACT (Continued)

Certain events limit the ability of the Plan to transact at contract value with the contract issuer. Such events include the following: (1) amendments to the plan documents (including complete or partial plan termination or merger with another plan), (2) changes to the Plan's prohibition on competing investment options or deletion of equity wash provisions, (3) bankruptcy of the plan sponsor or other plan sponsor events (for example, divestitures or spin-offs of a subsidiary) that cause a significant withdrawal from the Plan, or (4) the failure of the trust to qualify for exemption from federal income taxes or any required prohibited transaction exemption under ERISA. The plan administrator does not believe that any events which would limit the Plan's ability to transact at contract value with the contract issuer and with participants are probable of occurring.

In addition, certain events allow the issuer to terminate the contracts with the Plan and settle at an amount different from contract value. Such events include the following: (1) an uncured violation of the Plan's investment guidelines, (2) a breach of material obligation under the contracts, (3) a material misrepresentation, or (4) a material amendment to the agreements without the consent of the issuer.

4. NON-FULLY BENEFIT-RESPONSIVE INVESTMENT CONTRACTS

The Plan entered into group annuity contracts with TIAA and Equitable Life Insurance Company. The contract issuers maintain the contributions in general accounts. The accounts are credited with earnings on the underlying investments and charged for participant withdrawals and administrative expenses. The contract issuers are contractually obligated to repay the principal and a specified interest rate that is guaranteed to the Plan. The contracts are non-fully benefit-responsive investment contracts and are reported at fair value.

There are no reserves against fair value for credit risks of the contract issuers or otherwise. The crediting rates are based on formulas established by the contract issuers but may not be less than 0%. The crediting rates are reviewed on a quarterly basis for resetting. The contracts cannot be terminated before the scheduled maturity date.

The Plan's ability to receive amounts due in accordance with non-fully benefit-responsive investment contracts is dependent on the contract issuers' ability to meet their financial obligations. The contract issuers' ability to meet their contractual obligations may be affected by future economic and regulatory developments.

5. 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 Topic 820 are described as follows:

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 at the measurement date.

Level 2: Inputs to the valuation methodology other than quoted prices included within Level 1 that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly, such as:

- a. Quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in active markets,
- b. Quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in inactive markets,
- c. Inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for the asset or liability,
- d. 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 the fair value 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, 2024 and 2023.

Mutual funds: Valued at the daily closing price as reported by the fund. Mutual funds held by the Plan are open-ended mutual funds that are registered with the US 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.

5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

Insurance contracts: Investment contracts with insurance companies that are not fully benefit-responsive are reported at contract value, which approximates fair value. As these investments are contract-based, observable prices for identical or similar investments do not exist and, accordingly, these investments are valued using unobservable inputs (Level 3). The contract value equals the accumulated cash contributions and interest credited to the contract, less any withdrawals. Liquidity restrictions apply to these investments that could impact the value realized upon exiting the contract. In assuming the reasonableness of the insurance companies' methodologies, the College has various procedures in place to monitor the insurance companies, including review of the performance of the insurance contracts on a plan basis and review of the reports of controls on an ongoing basis. As noted in Note 2, fully benefit-responsive contracts are reported at contract value.

Variable annuity contracts: TIAA Access Nuv annuities and Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company investments are variable annuities and are valued utilizing each account's daily NAV, which is considered by plan management to be the best approximation of fair value. The unit values are updated and posted on NASDAQ's website for each day that NASDAQ is open. There are no unfunded commitments from participants in the Plan who invest in these accounts.

Pooled separate account: Investment in units of a pooled separate account held with an insurance company are stated at estimated fair market value and are valued by the insurance company based on the NAV of units held by the Plan on a daily basis. The unit value is updated and posted on NASDAQ's website for each day that NASDAQ is open. The NAV is determined by the insurance company based on the market value of the underlying investments held in the pooled fund.

Self-directed brokerage account: Account primarily consists of a money market fund and a mutual fund that are valued on the basis of readily determinable market prices.

Registered investment companies: College Retirement Equity Fund (CREF) funds invest in variable annuities and are valued utilizing each account's daily NAV, which is considered by plan management to be the best approximation of fair value. The unit values are updated and posted on NASDAQ's website for each day that NASDAQ is open. There are no unfunded commitments from participants in the Plan who invest in these accounts.

The preceding methods described may produce a fair value calculation that may not be indicative of net realizable value or reflective of future fair values. Furthermore, although the Plan believes its valuation methods are appropriate and consistent with other market participants, the use of different methodologies or assumptions to determine the fair value of certain financial instruments could result in a different fair value measurement at the reporting date.

MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

The following tables set forth by level, within the fair value hierarchy, the Plan's assets at fair value as of December 31, 2024 and 2023:

Description	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2024			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 1,765,391	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,765,391
Pooled separate account	131,293	-	-	131,293
Self-directed brokerage account	28,216	-	-	28,216
Registered investment companies	3,433,635	-	-	3,433,635
Variable annuity contracts	1,834,357	-	-	1,834,357
Insurance contracts	-	-	1,914,533	1,914,533
TOTAL INVESTMENTS AT FAIR VALUE	\$ 7,192,892	\$ -	\$ 1,914,533	\$ 9,107,425

Description	Assets at Fair Value as of December 31, 2023			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Total
Mutual funds	\$ 655,740	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 655,740
Pooled separate account	210,146	-	-	210,146
Registered investment companies	3,520,692	-	-	3,520,692
Variable annuity contracts	2,112,038	-	-	2,112,038
Insurance contracts	-	-	1,884,641	1,884,641
TOTAL INVESTMENTS AT FAIR VALUE	\$ 6,498,616	\$ -	\$ 1,884,641	\$ 8,383,257

Fair Value of Level 3 Assets

The availability of observable market data is monitored to assess the appropriate classification of financial instruments within the fair value hierarchy. Changes in economic conditions or model-based valuation techniques may require the transfer of financial instruments from one fair value level to another. We evaluate the significance of transfers between levels based upon the nature of the financial instrument and size of the transfer relative to total net assets available for benefits.

The Plan's Level 3 assets for the year ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 included purchases of \$30,927 and \$68,615, respectively, and issuances of \$53,787 and \$55,746, respectively. There were no transfers into or out of Level 3 during 2024 and 2023.

MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

5. FAIR VALUE MEASUREMENTS (Continued)

Fair Value of Level 3 Assets (Continued)

The following tables represent the Plan's Level 3 financial instruments, the valuation techniques used to measure the fair value of those financial instruments, and the significant unobservable inputs and the ranges of values for those inputs.

Quantitative Information about Level 3 Fair Value Measurements
as of December 31, 2024

Instrument	Fair Value	Valuation Techniques	Unobservable Input	Range
Guaranteed Interest Account	\$ 113,994	Discounted cash flow	Risk-adjusted discount rate applied	3.00%
TIAA Traditional Annuity Non-Benefit Responsive	\$ 1,800,539	Discounted cash flow Theoretical transfer (exit value)	Risk-adjusted discount rate applied	3.65% to 6.75%

Quantitative Information about Level 3 Fair Value Measurements
as of December 31, 2023

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Guaranteed Interest Account	\$ 110,689	Discounted cash flow	Risk-adjusted discount rate applied	3.00%
TIAA Traditional Annuity Non-Benefit Responsive	\$ 1,773,952	Discounted cash flow Theoretical transfer (exit value)	Risk-adjusted discount rate applied	4.00% to 6.75%

6. CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The financial data included in the accompanying financial statements as of and for the years ended December 31, 2024 and 2023 and supplemental schedule of assets (held at end of year) as of December 31, 2024, has been certified as complete and accurate by TIAA and CREF, TIAA as an agent on behalf of TIAA Trust, N.A., and Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company, qualified institutions. The following certified information was obtained by management and agreed to or derived from information certified as complete and accurate, and has not been audited by the independent auditors for the Plan:

	2024	2023
Investments at fair value	\$ 8,490,068	\$ 7,844,644
Investments at contract value	478,387	267,349
Notes receivable from participants	25,079	30,980

MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN
NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Continued)

6. CERTIFICATION OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION (Continued)

	2024	2023
Interest and dividends	\$ 166,218	\$ 94,994
Interest on notes receivable from participants	2,584	1,281
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	839,710	1,040,461

7. PLAN TERMINATION

Although it has not expressed any intent to do so, the College has the right under the Plan to discontinue its contributions at any time and to terminate the Plan subject to the provisions of ERISA. Any unallocated assets of the Plan shall be allocated to participant accounts and distributed in such a manner as the College may determine.

8. TAX STATUS

The volume submitter plan sponsor has obtained an opinion letter dated March 31, 2017, in which the IRS stated that the restated volume submitter plan document was in compliance with applicable requirements of the IRC. The Plan has not received a determination letter specific to the Plan itself and has been amended since the date of the opinion letter; however, the plan administrator believe that the Plan was designed, and is being operated, in compliance with the applicable requirements of the IRC.

US GAAP requires management to evaluate tax positions taken by the Plan and recognize 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 IRS. The Plan is subject to routine audits by taxing jurisdictions; however, there are currently no audits for any tax periods in progress.

9. PARTY-IN-INTEREST TRANSACTIONS

Certain plan investments are managed by TIAA and CREF, Franklin Templeton Investments, or Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company, the custodians and TIAA as an agent on behalf of TIAA Trust, N.A.; therefore, these transactions qualify as party-in-interest. Certain administrative expenses were paid by the Plan or the College. The Plan issues loans to participants, which are secured by the vested balance in the participants' accounts. These transactions qualify as party-in-interest. Certain employees of the College provide administrative services to the Plan for which no fees are charged.

10. RISKS AND UNCERTAINTIES

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 value of investment securities will occur in the near term and that such changes could materially affect the participants' account balances and the amounts reported in the statements of net assets available for benefits.

11. OTHER MATTERS

The Plan may not have maintained sufficient accounting records and supporting documents for certain annuity and custodial accounts issued to current and former employees prior to January 1, 2009 to determine the proper accounting of plan assets.

The plan administrator has determined that these accounts meet the conditions to be excluded from plan investments. The plan administrator is unable to obtain sufficient documentation to establish the balances in these transferred accounts as of December 31, 2024 and 2023.

As permitted by the Department of Labor's Field Assistance Bulletin (FAB) No. 2009-02, the plan administrator has elected to exclude from plan assets certain annuity and custodial accounts issued to current and former employees. The FAB specifically excludes from plan assets annuity contracts and custodial accounts for purposes of ERISA's annual reporting requirements provided that:

1. The contract or account was issued to a current or former employee before January 1, 2009;
2. The employer ceased to have any obligation to make contributions (including employee salary reduction contributions), and in fact ceased making contributions to the contract or account before January 1, 2009;
3. All of the rights and benefits under the contract or account are legally enforceable against the insurer or custodian by the individual owner of the contract or account without any involvement by the employer; and
4. The individual owner of the contract is fully vested in the contract or account.

12. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

The Plan has evaluated subsequent events through July 29, 2025, which was the date that these financial statements were available for issuance and determined that there were no significant nonrecognized subsequent events through that date.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE

MONTREAT COLLEGE RETIREMENT PLAN

SCHEDULE OF ASSETS (HELD AT END OF YEAR)
FORM 5500, SCHEDULE H, ITEM 4i

EIN: 56-0543261 PLAN: #001

December 31, 2024

(a)	(b) Identity of Issue, Borrower, or Similar Party	(c) Description of Investment Including Maturity Date, Rate of Interest, Collateral, Par, or Maturity Value	(d) Cost	(e) Current Value
Insurance Contracts				
*	TIAA	TIAA Stable Value	**	\$ 7
*	TIAA	TIAA Traditional Annuity Benefit Responsive	**	478,380
	Total insurance contracts at contract value			<u>478,387</u>
*	TIAA	TIAA Traditional Annuity Non-Benefit Responsive	**	1,800,539
*	Equitable Life Insurance Company	Guaranteed Interest Account	**	113,994
	Total insurance contracts at fair value			<u>1,914,533</u>
Variable Annuity Contracts				
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Intl Equity T4	**	44,358
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lg-Cap Val T4	**	14,307
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv LgCp Res Eq T4	**	55,302
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Mid Cap Grw T4	**	1,996
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Mid Cap Val T4	**	19,519
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Qt Sm Cp Eq T4	**	54,247
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Sm Cp Bl Idx T4	**	42,554
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv RIEstSecSel T4	**	70,770
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lg-Cap Gr T4	**	30,873
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Core Bond Plus T4	**	5,485
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lifecycle 2010 T4	**	1,281
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lifecycle 2015 T4	**	56,320
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lifecycle 2020 T4	**	44,660
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lifecycle 2025 T4	**	31,419
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lifecycle 2030 T4	**	98,125
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lifecycle 2035 T4	**	169,949
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lifecycle 2040 T4	**	179,085
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lifecycle 2045 T4	**	137,805
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lifecycle 2050 T4	**	295,838
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lifecycle 2055 T4	**	42,069
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lifecycle 2060 T4	**	25,157
*	TIAA	TIAA Access Nuv Lifecycle 2065 T4	**	355
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	AXA AllianceBernstein Small Cap Growth	**	32,136
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	AXA Global Equity Managed Volume	**	225
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	AXA Large Cap Growth Managed Volume	**	37,930
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	AXA Mid Cap Value Managed Volume	**	224
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	AXA Moderate Allocation	**	34,309
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	Charter Multi-Sector Bond	**	419
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	EQ BlackRock Basic Value Equity	**	142
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	EQ Capital Guardian Research Growth Portfolio	**	253
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	EQ Common Stock Index	**	48,494
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	EQ GAMCO Small Company Value	**	181
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	EQ International Equity Index	**	16,637
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	EQ Invesco Common Stock	**	173
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	EQ Large Cap Growth Index	**	1,204
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	EQ Mid Cap Index	**	71
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	EQ Morgan Stanley Small Cap Growth	**	127
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	Multimanager Aggressive Equity	**	240,193
*	Equitable Financial Life Insurance Company	Multi-manager Technology	**	165
	Total Variable Annuity Contracts			<u>1,834,357</u>

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Mutual Funds				
	Charles Schwab	Schwab S&P 500 Index Fund	**	\$ 35,387
	DFA	DFA LTIP Port Institutional	**	34,318
	State Street	State Street Aggregate Bond Index K	**	27,629
	State Street	State Street Small Mid Cap Equity Index K	**	103,886
	State Street	State Street Equity 500 Index K	**	437,966
	Vanguard	Vanguard Federal Money Market Inv	**	36
	Vanguard	Vanguard Extended Market Index Admiral	**	13,911
	Vanguard	Vanguard Growth Index Admiral	**	30,238
	Vanguard	Vanguard Small-Cap Growth Index Admiral	**	13,980
	Vanguard	Vanguard Ttl Intl Bnd Idx Adm	**	58,426
*	TIAA-CREF	Nuveen International Equity Index R6	**	392,257
*	Franklin Templeton Investments	Franklin Global Allocation Fund - Class A	**	3,436
*	Franklin Templeton Investments	Franklin Growth Series - Class A	**	535,671
*	Franklin Templeton Investments	Franklin Growth Opportunities - Class A	**	6,452
*	Franklin Templeton Investments	Franklin Equity Income Fund - Class A	**	13
*	Franklin Templeton Investments	Franklin Dynatech Fund - Class A	**	38,462
*	Franklin Templeton Investments	Franklin Income Fund - Class A	**	1,228
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*	Franklin Templeton Investments	Franklin US Government Money Fund - Class A	**	22,147
*	Franklin Templeton Investments	Franklin Mutual Beacon Fund - Class A	**	5,524
*	Franklin Templeton Investments	Templeton Growth Fund - Class A	**	1,019
*	Franklin Templeton Investments	Franklin Mutual Shares Fund - Class A	**	350
	Total Mutual Funds			<u>1,765,391</u>
Registered Investment Companies				
*	CREF	CREF Core Bond R1	**	63,553
*	CREF	CREF Equity Index R1	**	323,089
*	CREF	CREF Global Equities R1	**	531,656
*	CREF	CREF Growth R1	**	849,513
*	CREF	CREF Inflation-Linked Bond R1	**	22,701
*	CREF	CREF Money Market R1	**	61,099
*	CREF	CREF Social Choice R1	**	398,300
*	CREF	CREF Stock R1	**	1,183,724
	Total Registered Investment Companies			<u>3,433,635</u>
Self Directed Brokerage Account				
*	TIAA-CREF	TIAA-CREF Self Directed Account	**	<u>28,216</u>
Pooled Separate Account				
*	TIAA	TIAA Real Estate	**	<u>131,293</u>
TOTAL INVESTMENTS PER FINANCIAL STATEMENTS				9,585,812
*	Participant loans	Interest rates from 4.50% to 9.25%	-	<u>25,079</u>
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