

Annual Report

June 30, 2024



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Report of Independent Auditors

To the Minnesota State Board of Investment and Minnesota Office of Higher Education

Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements

Opinion

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the Minnesota College Savings Plan (the "Plan"), which comprise the statement of fiduciary net position as of June 30, 2024, and the related statement of changes in fiduciary net position for the year then ended, including the related notes, which collectively comprise the Plan's basic financial statements.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the fiduciary net position of the Plan as of June 30, 2024, and the changes in its fiduciary net position for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Basis for Opinion

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

Emphasis of Matter

As discussed in Note 1, the financial statements present only the Plan and do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the Minnesota College Savings Plan Account, as of June 30, 2024, the changes in its financial position, or, where applicable, its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Our opinion is not modified with respect to this matter.

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.

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

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going concern for twelve months beyond the financial statement date, including any currently known information that may raise substantial doubt shortly thereafter.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not absolute assurance and therefore is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with US GAAS and *Government Auditing Standards*, will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control. Misstatements are considered material if there is a substantial likelihood that, individually or in the aggregate, they would influence the judgment made by a reasonable user based on the financial statements.

In performing an audit in accordance with US GAAS and Government Auditing Standards, we:

- Exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.
- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, and design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks. Such procedures include examining, on a test basis, evidence regarding the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, no such opinion is expressed.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluate the overall presentation of the financial statements.
- Conclude whether, in our judgment, there are conditions or events, considered in the aggregate, that raise substantial doubt about the Plan's ability to continue as a going concern for a reasonable period of time.

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

Required Supplemental Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the accompanying management's discussion and analysis on pages 4 through 7 be presented to supplement the basic financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management, although not a part of the basic financial statements, is required by the *Governmental Accounting Standards Board* who considers it to be an essential part of financial reporting for placing the basic financial statements in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplemental information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic



financial statements, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic financial statements. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Supplemental Information

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Plan's basic financial statements. The supplemental statements of fiduciary net position and changes in fiduciary net position as of and for the year ended June 30, 2024 (the "supplemental information") on pages 20 through 27 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements. The supplemental information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. The supplemental information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements or to the basic financial statements themselves and other additional procedures, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the supplemental information is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated August 30, 2024 on our consideration of the Plan's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements and other matters for the year ended June 30, 2024. The purpose of that report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Plan's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

Kricewaterbaux Coopers LLP

August 30, 2024



As Plan Manager of the Minnesota College Savings Plan (the Plan) offered by the state of Minnesota (the State), TIAA-CREF Tuition Financing, Inc. (TFI) offers this discussion and analysis of the Plan's financial performance for the year ended June 30, 2024, with comparative information for the year ended June 30, 2023. Readers should consider the information presented in this section in conjunction with the Plan's financial statements and notes to the financial statements (collectively, "the basic financial statements"). Readers may also find useful the supplementary information on pages 20 through 27, which provide information about the activities and balances attributable to each investment option offered to account owners.

This report consists of three parts: Management's Discussion and Analysis (this section), the basic financial statements, and supplementary information detailing balances and transactions attributable to each investment option. The basic financial statements consist of a Statement of Fiduciary Net Position, a Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position, and Notes to Financial Statements that explain some of the information in the financial statements and provide more detailed information.

Financial Highlights

The following table summarizes returns (net of fees) posted by each investment option during the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	Year Ended	Year Ended			Year Ended	Year Ended
	June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023	_		June 30, 2024	June 30, 2023
Enrollment Year Investment Options			-	Risk-Based Investment Options		
2040/2041 Enrollment Option	14.88%	4.20%	(1)	Aggressive Allocation Option	14.86%	12.22%
2038/2039 Enrollment Option	14.45%	12.06%		Moderate Allocation Option	12.06%	9.07%
2036/2037 Enrollment Option	13.92%	11.44%		Conservative Allocation Option	7.65%	5.05%
2034/2035 Enrollment Option	13.24%	10.83%		International Equity Index Option	11.45%	14.92%
2032/2033 Enrollment Option	12.07%	9.83%		U.S. and International Equity Option	17.77%	15.33%
2030/2031 Enrollment Option	10.57%	8.24%		Equity and Interest Accumulation Option	12.51%	10.08%
2028/2029 Enrollment Option	9.03%	6.76%		100% Fixed-Income Option	3.86%	0.13%
2026/2027 Enrollment Option	7.27%	5.38%		U.S. Large Cap Equity Option	24.34%	19.44%
2024/2025 Enrollment Option	5.65%	3.85%		Money Market Option	5.29%	3.62%
2022/2023 Enrollment Option	N/A	2.55%	(2)	Principal Plus Interest Option	2.67%	1.60%
In School Option	5.03%	3.31%		Large Cap Responsible Equity Option $^{(3)}$	21.49%	17.80%
				State Matching Grant Program		
				Matching Grant Accounts	2.67%	1.60%
					(Continued)

No assurance is provided on the information in management's discussion and analysis.



Financial Highlights (Continued)

- (1) Effective May 12, 2023, the 2040/2041 Enrollment Option was added to the Plan as an additional Enrollment Year Investment Option. The return for the 2040/2041 Enrollment Option is for the period from May 12, 2023 through June 30, 2023 (see previous page).
- (2) Effective May 12, 2023, the 2022/2023 Enrollment Option was discontinued, and existing account owner balances were transferred to the already existing In School Option. The return for the 2022/2023 Enrollment Option is for the period from July 1, 2022 through May 11, 2023 (see previous page).
- ⁽³⁾ Effective May 1, 2024, the Social Choice Equity Option was renamed the Large Cap Responsible Equity Option (see previous page).

The Plan redeemed \$7.8 million and \$14.6 million in net redemptions during the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023, respectively.

During the year ended June 30, 2024, the Plan experienced net investment income of \$201.0 million, resulting from \$49.5 million in interest, dividends, and capital gain distributions and a \$151.5 million net increase in the fair value of investments. During the year ended June 30, 2023, the Plan experienced net investment income of \$138.1 million, resulting from \$43.5 million in interest, dividends, and capital gain distributions and a \$94.6 million net increase in the fair value of investments.

Plan fees incurred during the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023 totaled \$1.8 million and \$1.6 million, respectively. These fees are calculated on the average net position of each investment option and are paid to the Plan Manager and the Minnesota Office of Higher Education (the Office) for performing administrative, marketing, and other services with respect to the Plan.

Overview of the Basic Financial Statements

The Plan is included in the financial reporting entity of the State as a fiduciary fund. Fiduciary fund reporting is used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the governmental entity.

The Plan's basic financial statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), as applicable to fiduciary funds. Accordingly, the Plan's basic financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting.



Overview of the Basic Financial Statements (Continued)

The Statement of Fiduciary Net Position presents information on the Plan's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as fiduciary net position. The Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position presents information showing how the Plan's fiduciary net position changed during the period presented. Changes in fiduciary net position are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will result in cash flows in future fiscal years.

The Plan's assets are invested in mutual funds and funding agreements issued by TIAA-CREF Life Insurance Company. Mutual funds are reported at fair value, and the funding agreements are reported at cost. All investment transactions are reported on a trade-date basis. Changes in the reported fair value of mutual funds resulting from realized and unrealized gains and losses are reported as "net increase (decrease) in the fair value of investments." Dividends and capital gain distributions are reported on the ex-dividend date. Contributions are recognized when received, provided enrollment in the Plan has been successfully completed, and withdrawals are recognized when the withdrawal request has been received and approved for payment. Plan fees accrue daily.

Financial Analysis

Fiduciary Net Position

The following are condensed Statements of Fiduciary Net Position as of June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	lune 30, 2024	 June 30, 2023
Total Assets Total Liabilities	\$ 2,023,287,893 1,358,495	\$ 1,831,490,383 995,927
Fiduciary Net Position	\$ 2,021,929,398	\$ 1,830,494,456

Fiduciary net position represents cumulative contributions since the Plan's inception, increased or decreased by net investment income or losses, and decreased by withdrawals and expenses.

The Plan's investments comprise over 99% of the Plan's total assets. Other assets typically consist of receivables from securities sold and cash resulting from contributions that have not yet been invested in accordance with account owners' instructions or redemption proceeds from underlying funds for withdrawal requests that have not yet been distributed as directed by account owners. Liabilities typically consist of payables for securities purchased, payables for withdrawals, and accrued Plan Manager fees and Minnesota administrative fees.

No assurance is provided on the information in management's discussion and analysis.



Financial Analysis (Continued)

Changes in Fiduciary Net Position

The following are condensed Statements of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position for the years ended June 30, 2024 and 2023:

	Year Ended June 30, 2024			Year Ended June 30, 2023
Additions				
Subscriptions ⁽¹⁾	\$	330,199,410	\$	268,659,998
Net investment income		201,028,457		138,055,901
Total Additions	531,227,86			406,715,899
Deductions				
Redemptions ⁽²⁾		(337,982,380)		(283,252,223)
Plan Manager fee		(1,766,385)		(1,606,380)
Minnesota administrative fee		(44,160)		(40,160)
Total Deductions		(339,792,925)		(284,898,763)
Increase in Net Position		191,434,942		121,817,136
Fiduciary Net Position - Beginning of Year		1,830,494,456		1,708,677,320
Fiduciary Net Position - End of Year	\$	2,021,929,398	\$	1,830,494,456

⁽¹⁾ Subscriptions include contributions, exchanges between investment options, and transfers of account balances from one account to another.

⁽²⁾ Redemptions include withdrawals, exchanges between investment options, and transfers of account balances from one account to another.

No assurance is provided on the information in management's discussion and analysis.



STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION June 30, 2024

ASSETS	
Investments	\$ 2,022,055,534
Cash	986,419
Receivables from securities sold	 245,940
Total Assets	 2,023,287,893
LIABILITIES	
Accrued Plan Manager fee	157,141
Accrued Minnesota administrative fee	3,929
Payables for securities purchased	444,075
Withdrawals payable	 753,350
Total Liabilities	 1,358,495
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST FOR	
ACCOUNT OWNERS AND BENEFICIARIES	\$ 2,021,929,398

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION Year Ended June 30, 2024

ADDITIONS	
Subscriptions	\$ 330,199,410
Investment income:	
Interest	10,782,710
Dividends and capital gain distributions	38,694,882
Net increase in the fair value of investments	151,550,865
Total net investment income	201,028,457
Total Additions	531,227,867
DEDUCTIONS	
Redemptions	337,982,380
Plan Manager fee	1,766,385
Minnesota administrative fee	 44,160
Total Deductions	 339,792,925
CHANGES IN NET POSITION	191,434,942
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST FOR ACCOUNT OWNERS AND BENEFICIARIES, BEGINNING OF YEAR	 1,830,494,456
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST FOR ACCOUNT OWNERS AND BENEFICIARIES, END OF YEAR	\$ 2,021,929,398

See accompanying notes to financial statements.



NOTE 1: ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF OPERATIONS

The Minnesota College Savings Plan (the Plan) was created by the State of Minnesota (the State) to encourage individuals to save for postsecondary education. The Minnesota Office of Higher Education (the Office) implements and administers the Plan. The Minnesota State Board of Investment (the Board) authorizes the types of investment options offered by the Plan. Assets of the Plan are held in the Minnesota College Savings Plan Account (the Trust). The Plan is intended to meet the requirements of a qualified tuition program under Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code (the Code).

TIAA-CREF Tuition Financing, Inc. (TFI), a wholly owned, direct subsidiary of Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association of America (TIAA), the Board, and the Office entered into a management agreement under which TFI serves as the Plan Manager (Plan Manager), providing certain services to the Plan. TIAA-CREF Individual & Institutional Services, LLC (Services), a wholly owned, direct subsidiary of TIAA, serves as the primary distributor and underwriter for the Plan and provides certain services in furtherance of TFI's marketing efforts for the Plan. Services is registered as a broker-dealer under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority.

Account owners may invest their contributions in one or more investment options. The Plan offers eleven Risk-Based Investment Options, which allow account owners to choose their own investment strategy based on their risk tolerance and time horizon. The Plan also offers ten Enrollment Year Investment Options based on the anticipated year of enrollment of the beneficiary in an eligible educational institution. The Enrollment Year Investment Options seek to match their respective risk levels to investment time horizons with asset allocations becoming increasingly more conservative as the beneficiary enrollment year approaches. The investment options, along with underlying asset allocations and fees, as approved by the Board, are described in the current Minnesota College Savings Plan Description and Participation Agreement (the Plan Description).

Each investment option invests in one or more open-end mutual funds and funding agreements based on an asset allocation strategy approved by the Board. The funding agreements are issued by TIAA-CREF Life Insurance Company (TIAA Life), which is an affiliate of TFI, to the Board as policyholder on behalf of the Plan. The funding agreements provide a minimum guaranteed rate of return and allow for the possibility that additional interest may be credited periodically by TIAA Life. Together, the mutual funds and the funding agreements are referred to as "the Underlying Funds."



NOTE 1: ORGANIZATION AND NATURE OF OPERATIONS (Continued)

Prior to 2011, the State made matching grants to certain accounts on behalf of eligible beneficiaries, provided that specified conditions were met. This Matching Grant program was discontinued in 2011. Account contributions made in 2011 and subsequent years do not qualify for an annual matching grant award. The State retains ownership of all previously awarded matching grants and earnings on matching grants until a distribution is made to an account owner, a beneficiary, an eligible institution, or a third-party as directed by an account owner. The matching grant distribution must be used to pay for the qualified higher education expenses of the beneficiary at an eligible educational institution.

The Plan is included in the reporting entity of the State as a fiduciary fund. Assets are held in trust for account owners and beneficiaries and cannot be used to support other governmental programs. These basic financial statements present only the balances and transactions attributable to the Plan, and are not intended to, and do not, present fairly the financial position or changes in financial position of the Trust or any other fiduciary funds of the State.

NOTE 2: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) Basis of Accounting

In accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (U.S. GAAP) applicable to fiduciary fund types prescribed by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB), the Plan's basic financial statements are prepared using the economic resources measurement focus and accrual basis of accounting. U.S. GAAP requires the use of estimates made by management and the evaluation of subsequent events. Actual results may differ from those estimates.

(b) Investment Valuation

Accounting standards categorize fair value measurements according to a hierarchy that is based on valuation inputs used to measure fair value. Level 1 inputs are quoted prices for identical assets in active markets that can be accessed at the measurement date. Level 2 inputs are inputs other than quoted prices that are observable for an asset, either directly or indirectly. Level 3 inputs are unobservable and may include subjective assumptions in determining the fair value of investments.

The availability of observable inputs can vary from security to security and is affected by a wide variety of factors including, for example, the type of security, whether the security is new and not yet established in the marketplace, the liquidity of markets, and other characteristics particular to the security. To the extent that valuation is based on models or inputs that are less observable or unobservable in the market, the determination of fair value requires more judgment. Accordingly, the degree of judgment exercised in



NOTE 2: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(b) Investment Valuation (Continued)

determining fair value is greatest for instruments categorized in Level 3. The inputs or methodology used for valuing securities are not necessarily an indication of the risk associated with investing in those securities.

The mutual funds in which the Plan invests are reported at fair value, based on the net asset value per share at the close of the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE). These mutual funds are categorized in Level 1 of the fair value hierarchy.

The funding agreements are non-participating, interest-earning investment contracts and are accounted for at cost. Because the funding agreements are valued at cost, they are not categorized according to the fair value hierarchy.

(c) Investment Transactions and Income

Investment transactions are accounted for as of the trade date for financial reporting purposes. Interest income is recorded as earned. Dividend income and capital gain distributions from mutual funds are recorded on the ex-dividend date. Net realized and unrealized gains (losses) are included in "net increase (decrease) in the fair value of investments."

(d) Cash

Cash includes contributions received that have not yet been invested in Underlying Funds and/or redemption proceeds from Underlying Funds for withdrawals that have not yet been distributed in accordance with account owners' instructions. Cash deposits are covered up to applicable limits of insurance available through the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Deposits in excess of FDIC limits are not collateralized or subject to supplemental insurance.

(e) Subscriptions

Subscriptions include contributions to the Plan, as well as exchanges between investment options and transfers between one beneficiary to another or from one account owner to another that result in a reinvestment of assets. Subscriptions result in the issuance of units to account owners. These units are municipal fund securities and are not a direct investment in any mutual fund or the funding agreements. In addition, these units are not insured by the FDIC, the State, the Office, or the Board, nor have they been registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission or any commission of the State.



NOTE 2: SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (Continued)

(f) Redemptions

Redemptions include withdrawals from the Plan directed by account owners, as well as exchanges between investment options and transfers between one beneficiary to another or from one account owner to another that result in a redemption and subsequent reinvestment of assets.

(g) Income Taxes

The Plan is designed to constitute a qualified tuition program under Section 529 of the Code and is exempt from federal and state income tax. The Plan has not engaged in any activities that would subject the Plan to unrelated business income tax.

(h) Unit Value

The beneficial interests attributable to each account owner in the investment options are represented by Plan units. Subscriptions and redemptions are recorded upon receipt of account owners' instructions in good order, based on the next determined net asset value per unit (Unit Value), as defined in the current Plan Description. Unit Values for each investment option are determined at the close of business of the NYSE. The Unit Value of each investment option is computed by dividing the investment option's assets minus its liabilities by the number of outstanding units of such investment option. There are no distributions of interest, dividends, capital gain distributions, or net investment income or losses directly to account owners or beneficiaries. Interest, dividends, capital gain distributions, and net investment income (losses) resulting from the Underlying Funds are reflected as increases (decreases) in the Unit Value.

(i) Guarantees and Indemnifications

Under the Plan's organizational documents, each officer, employee, or other agent of the Plan (including TFI) is indemnified against certain liabilities that may arise out of performance of their duties to the Plan. Additionally, in the normal course of business, the Plan enters into contracts that contain a variety of indemnification clauses. The Plan's maximum exposure under these arrangements is unknown as this would involve future claims that may be made against the Plan that have not yet occurred. However, the Plan has not had prior claims or losses pursuant to these contracts, and management of the Plan expects the risk of loss to be remote.



NOTE 3: INVESTMENTS

(a) Investments by Type

At June 30, 2024, the Plan's investments consist of the following:

	Units	Cost	Value
Mutual Funds (at fair value):			
DFA Real Estate Securities Portfolio	1,952,102	\$ 76,132,199	\$ 74,667,914
Nuveen Equity Index Fund	14,183,464	339,586,036	542,091,977
Nuveen International Equity Index Fund	9,510,868	189,260,631	219,415,716
Nuveen Large Cap Responsible Equity Fund	110,010	2,847,341	3,166,088
Nuveen Money Market Fund	29,573,859	29,573,859	29,573,859
Nuveen S&P 500 Index Fund	2,721,077	111,237,487	163,237,411
Vanguard Emerging Markets Stock Index Fund	1,990,279	53,535,600	55,250,142
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Fund	12,459,643	70,150,109	66,908,285
Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected			
Securities Index Fund	2,683,600	66,284,809	64,782,095
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund	39,827,246	430,320,845	377,562,291
Total Mutual Funds		1,368,928,916	1,596,655,778
Funding Agreements (at cost):			
TIAA-CREF Life Funding Agreements	N/A	425,399,756	425,399,756
Total Investments		\$ 1,794,328,672	\$ 2,022,055,534

(b) Funding Agreements

Assets of certain investment options are invested in funding agreements issued by TIAA Life. While account owners may withdraw their funds from the investment options at any time, there are certain restrictions on withdrawals that may be made from the funding agreements.

As policyholder, the Board may withdraw interest quarterly, provided that notice of intent to withdraw is given not more than 10 days nor less than 5 days prior to the end of the quarter.

In the event that the funding agreements are terminated, the Board is limited on the amount of withdrawals that may be requested at any one point in time. Withdrawal requests initiated by the Board totaling more than \$1 million over a 30-day period that are not intended to satisfy account owner withdrawal requests will be paid out over a five-year period, as follows: 20% of the remaining balance will be paid 30 days after the written request is received by TIAA Life, and 25%, 33%, 50%, and 100% of the remaining balance, including accumulated interest, will be paid on each of the four anniversaries of the date the request was received.



NOTE 3: INVESTMENTS (Continued)

(b) Funding Agreements (Continued)

The crediting rate on the funding agreements from July 1, 2023 through August 31, 2023 is 1.70%, and the crediting rate from September 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 is 2.90%.

(c) Investment Risk

The mutual funds in which the Plan invests include various types of investment securities in their asset holdings, such as corporate debt and equity securities, obligations of the United States government and government agencies, and international securities. These securities are exposed to interest rate, market, and credit risk, and it is at least reasonably possible that changes in their fair values could occur in the near term, materially affecting account owner balances and the amounts reported in the Plan's basic financial statements.

U.S. GAAP requires that certain disclosures be made related to the Plan's investment policy and exposure to credit risk, interest rate risk, and foreign currency risk, which are included in the paragraphs that follow.

Investment Policy

The Plan does not have specific investment policies that address credit, interest rate, foreign currency, or custodial credit risk. The Plan's investment options are managed based on specific investment objectives and strategies, which are disclosed in the current Plan Description and related supplements.

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk represents the potential inability of a custodian to return Plan investments in the event of a failure. Mutual funds are not exposed to custodial credit risk.

Credit Risk

Credit risk refers to the ability of the issuer to make timely payments of interest and principal. The mutual funds investing primarily in fixed income securities are subject to credit risk. The mutual funds in which the Plan invests are not rated as to credit quality by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization. The funding agreements are a guaranteed insurance product issued by TIAA Life. While the funding agreements themselves are not rated by a nationally recognized statistical rating organization, TIAA Life has a Standard & Poor's credit rating of AA+ at June 30, 2024.



NOTE 3: INVESTMENTS (Continued)

(c) Investment Risk (Continued)

Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk represents the risk that changes in interest rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. Mutual funds that invest in fixed income securities indirectly expose the Plan to interest rate risk. As of June 30, 2024, the fair values and the weighted average maturities for the bond funds in which the Plan invests are as follows:

	Fair Value	Weighted Average Maturity
Vanguard High-Yield Corporate Fund Vanguard Short-Term Inflation-Protected Securities	\$ 66,908,285	4.1 years
Index Fund Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Fund	\$ 64,782,095 \$ 377,562,291	2.5 years 8.5 years

Foreign Currency Risk

Foreign currency risk is the risk that changes in exchange rates will adversely affect the fair value of an investment. The Plan does not have any direct investment in foreign securities; however, certain investment options invest in mutual funds that are exposed to foreign currency risk.

At June 30, 2024, the fair values of investments in mutual funds that invest significantly in foreign securities are as follows:

	Fair Value
Nuveen International Equity Index Fund	\$ 219,415,716
Vanguard Emerging Markets Stock Index Fund	\$ 55,250,142



NOTE 4: SUBSCRIPTIONS AND REDEMPTIONS

As explained in Note 2(e) and Note 2(f), subscriptions and redemptions include contributions to the Plan and withdrawals from the Plan as directed by account owners, respectively, as well as exchanges between investment options and transfers between one beneficiary to another or from one account owner to another that result in a reinvestment of assets. Total subscriptions and redemptions during the year ended June 30, 2024 are as follows:

Contributions	\$ 192,899,355
Exchanges and transfers in	 137,300,055
Total subscriptions	\$ 330,199,410
Withdrawals Exchanges and transfers out	\$ 200,682,325 137,300,055
Total redemptions	\$ 337,982,380

NOTE 5: PLAN FEES AND UNDERLYING FUND EXPENSES

(a) Plan Fees

Each investment option (with the exception of the Principal Plus Interest Option, which is not charged a fee) pays to the Plan Manager a fee equal to 0.10% of the average daily net position held in each respective investment option for performing duties specified in the management agreement.

Each investment option (with the exception of the Principal Plus Interest Option, which is not charged a fee) pays to the Office a fee equal to 0.0025% of the average daily net position held in each respective investment option to pay for expenses related to the administration of the Plan.

TFI and the Office may voluntarily waive the Plan Manager fee and the Minnesota administrative fee, as necessary, in an attempt to maintain at least a 0.00% return. A fee waiver may be discontinued at any time with written notice at least ten (10) days before the change is to take effect. During the year ended June 30, 2024, there were no Plan Manager fees or Minnesota administrative fees waived.

These amounts are reflected in expenses on the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position.

The Board and the Office reserve the right to change the fees and/or to impose additional fees in the future.



NOTE 5: PLAN FEES AND UNDERLYING FUND EXPENSES (Continued)

(b) Underlying Fund Expenses

Expenses related to management of the Underlying Funds reduce the amount of income available for distribution to the Plan. These Underlying Funds expenses are not direct expenses paid from the Plan's assets, and therefore, are not reflected in expenses on the Statement of Changes in Fiduciary Net Position.

Supplementary Information

The following supplementary information, which summarizes balances and transactions related to each investment option, is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements of the Minnesota College Savings Plan.



STATEMENTS OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

June 30, 2024

	Enrollment Year Investment Options									
		2040/2041 Enrollment Option	2038/2039 Enrollment Option		2036/2037 Enrollment Option		2034/2035 Enrollment Option		2032/2033 Enrollment Option	
ASSETS		<u> </u>		<u> </u>				<u> </u>		· ·
Investments	\$	15,818,577	\$	45,039,564	\$	100,778,533	\$	80,174,919	\$	84,689,854
Cash (cash overdraft)		106,136		39,421		71,057		62,429		52,502
Receivables from securities sold		-	_	-		-		-		-
Total Assets		15,924,713		45,078,985		100,849,590		80,237,348		84,742,356
LIABILITIES										
Accrued Plan Manager fee		1,237		3,639		8,204		6,528		6,892
Accrued Minnesota administrative fee		31		91		205		163		172
Payables for securities purchased		107,007		26,606		46,200		35,247		55,889
Withdrawals payable		-	_	-		2,893		4,011		230
Total Liabilities		108,275		30,336		57,502		45,949		63,183
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST FOR ACCOUNT OWNERS										
AND BENEFICIARIES	\$	15,816,438	\$	45,048,649	\$	100,792,088	\$	80,191,399	\$	84,679,173
UNITS OUTSTANDING ⁽¹⁾		1,321,340		4,033,003		6,880,006		5,580,473		6,039,884
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT ⁽²⁾	\$	11.97	\$	11.17	\$	14.65	\$	14.37	\$	14.02
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⁽¹⁾ Rounded to the nearest whole unit.

⁽²⁾ Rounded to the nearest hundredth.

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STATEMENTS OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

June 30, 2024

	Enrollment Year Investment Options									
	2030/2031 Enrollment Option		2028/2029 Enrollment Option		2026/2027 Enrollment Option		2024/2025 Enrollment Option			In School Option
ASSETS										
Investments	\$	94,512,223	\$	114,839,208	\$	145,186,643	\$	182,564,880	\$	281,617,283
Cash (cash overdraft)		82,928		48,113		64,150		(49,784)		47,812
Receivables from securities sold		-		-		-		57,918		-
Total Assets		94,595,151		114,887,321		145,250,793		182,573,014		281,665,095
LIABILITIES										
Accrued Plan Manager fee		7,699		9,348		11,861		14,934		23,142
Accrued Minnesota administrative fee		192		234		297		373		579
Payables for securities purchased		53,285		17,293		7,867		-		21,904
Withdrawals payable		-		5,400		9,559		58,239		101,916
Total Liabilities		61,176		32,275		29,584		73,546		147,541
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST FOR ACCOUNT OWNERS										
AND BENEFICIARIES	\$	94,533,975	\$	114,855,046	\$	145,221,209	\$	182,499,468	\$	281,517,554
UNITS OUTSTANDING ⁽¹⁾		7,002,517		8,889,709		11,720,840		15,259,153		24,522,435
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT ⁽²⁾	\$	13.50	\$	12.92	\$	12.39	\$	11.96	\$	11.48

⁽¹⁾ Rounded to the nearest whole unit.

⁽²⁾ Rounded to the nearest hundredth.



STATEMENTS OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

June 30, 2024

	Risk-Based Investment Options								
	Aggressive Allocation Option	Moderate Allocation Option	Conservative Allocation Option	International Equity Index Option	U.S. and International Equity Option	Equity and Interest Accumulation Option			
ASSETS									
Investments	\$ 110,990,126	\$ 109,741,603	\$ 19,264,433	\$ 11,304,630	\$ 304,983,212	\$ 10,826,173			
Cash (cash overdraft)	24,583	65,614	9,505	9,756	76,126	5,470			
Receivables from securities sold					42,716				
Total Assets	111,014,709	109,807,217	19,273,938	11,314,386	305,102,054	10,831,643			
LIABILITIES									
Accrued Plan Manager fee	8,988	8,973	1,559	940	25,003	871			
Accrued Minnesota administrative fee	225	224	40	24	625	22			
Payables for securities purchased	28,813	9,574	7,282	6,372	-	1,972			
Withdrawals payable	7,204	51,512	3,116	356	111,490	721			
Total Liabilities	45,230	70,283	11,997	7,692	137,118	3,586			
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST FOR ACCOUNT OWNERS									
AND BENEFICIARIES	\$ 110,969,479	\$ 109,736,934	\$ 19,261,941	\$ 11,306,694	\$ 304,964,936	\$ 10,828,057			
UNITS OUTSTANDING ⁽¹⁾	5,183,068	4,217,407	1,303,244	648,692	5,497,836	557,572			
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT ⁽²⁾	\$ 21.41	\$ 26.02	\$ 14.78	\$ 17.43	\$ 55.47	\$ 19.42			

⁽¹⁾ Rounded to the nearest whole unit.

⁽²⁾ Rounded to the nearest hundredth.

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STATEMENTS OF FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

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		Risk-					
	100% Fixed-Income Option	U.S. Large Cap Equity Option	Money Market Option	Principal Plus Interest Option	Large Cap Responsible Equity Option	State Matching Grant Program	Plan Total
ASSETS							
Investments	\$ 18,221,185	\$ 163,237,407	\$ 29,573,859	\$ 94,387,477	\$ 3,166,088	\$ 1,137,657	\$ 2,022,055,534
Cash (cash overdraft)	(3,332)	29,373	143,387	99,984	603	586	986,419
Receivables from securities sold	-	-	101,942	43,364	-	-	245,940
Total Assets	18,217,853	163,266,780	29,819,188	94,530,825	3,166,691	1,138,243	2,023,287,893
LIABILITIES							
Accrued Plan Manager fee	1,489	13,206	2,375	-	253	-	157,141
Accrued Minnesota administrative fee	37	330	59	-	6	-	3,929
Payables for securities purchased	1,566	15,346	-	-	1,852	-	444,075
Withdrawals payable	534	15,176	237,004	143,389	14	586	753,350
Total Liabilities	3,626	44,058	239,438	143,389	2,125	586	1,358,495
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST FOR ACCOUNT OWNERS AND BENEFICIARIES	\$ 18,214,227	\$ 163,222,722	\$ 29,579,750	\$ 94,387,436	\$ 3,164,566	\$ 1,137,657	\$ 2,021,929,398
UNITS OUTSTANDING ⁽¹⁾	1,146,270	4,900,112	2,519,570	5,568,580	255,619	67,118	
NET ASSET VALUE PER UNIT ⁽²⁾	\$ 15.89	\$ 33.31	\$ 11.74	\$ 16.95	\$ 12.38	\$ 16.95	

⁽¹⁾ Rounded to the nearest whole unit.

⁽²⁾ Rounded to the nearest hundredth.



STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Enrollment Year Investment Options									
		2040/2041 Enrollment Option		2038/2039 Enrollment Option		2036/2037 Enrollment Option		2034/2035 Enrollment Option		2032/2033 Enrollment Option
ADDITIONS										
Subscriptions	\$	14,199,599	\$	16,030,312	\$	18,867,132	\$	13,267,306	\$	12,250,934
Net investment income		1,285,852		5,058,924		11,735,181		8,915,829		8,778,308
Total Additions		15,485,451		21,089,236		30,602,313		22,183,135		21,029,242
DEDUCTIONS										
Redemptions		791,780		2,163,518		3,407,405		1,913,202		2,708,508
Expenses:										
Plan Manager fee		7,314		34,442		85,189		68,508		73,761
Minnesota administrative fee		183		861		2,130		1,713		1,844
Total expenses		7,497		35,303		87,319		70,221		75,605
Total Deductions		799,277		2,198,821		3,494,724		1,983,423		2,784,113
CHANGE IN NET POSITION		14,686,174		18,890,415		27,107,589		20,199,712		18,245,129
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST FOR ACCOUNT OWNERS AND BENEFICIARIES, BEGINNING OF YEAR		1,130,264		26,158,234		73,684,499		59,991,687		66,434,044
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST FOR ACCOUNT OWNERS AND BENEFICIARIES, END OF YEAR	\$	15,816,438	\$	45,048,649	\$	100,792,088	\$	80,191,399	\$	84,679,173

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STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Enrollment Year Investment Options									
	2030/2031 Enrollment Option	2028/2029 Enrollment Option	2026/2027 Enrollment Option	2024/2025 Enrollment Option	In School Option					
ADDITIONS		<u> </u>			<u> </u>					
Subscriptions	\$ 13,702,968	\$ 16,576,474	\$ 16,640,670	\$ 18,397,922	\$ 29,718,858					
Net investment income	8,692,489	9,154,393	9,683,176	9,878,277	15,243,282					
Total Additions	22,395,457	25,730,867	26,323,846	28,276,199	44,962,140					
DEDUCTIONS										
Redemptions	3,827,259	4,563,295	6,552,802	12,902,435	129,339,936					
Expenses:										
Plan Manager fee	83,529	102,337	133,462	172,927	308,529					
Minnesota administrative fee	2,088	2,558	3,336	4,323	7,713					
Total expenses	85,617	104,895	136,798	177,250	316,242					
Total Deductions	3,912,876	4,668,190	6,689,600	13,079,685	129,656,178					
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	18,482,581	21,062,677	19,634,246	15,196,514	(84,694,038)					
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST FOR ACCOUNT OWNERS AND BENEFICIARIES, BEGINNING OF YEAR	76,051,394	93,792,369	125,586,963	167,302,954	366,211,592					
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST FOR ACCOUNT OWNERS AND BENEFICIARIES, END OF YEAR	\$ 94,533,975	\$ 114,855,046	\$ 145,221,209	\$ 182,499,468	\$ 281,517,554					



STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

Year Ended June 30, 2024

	Risk-Based Investment Options									
Aggressive Allocation Option	Allocation Allocation Equity Inc		International Equity Index Option	U.S. and International Equity Option	Equity and Interest Accumulation Option					
\$ 23,652,037	\$ 19,076,999	\$ 6,933,126	\$ 2,209,969	\$ 24,423,608	\$ 3,313,727					
13,912,871	11,724,269	1,267,445	1,159,514	47,832,063	1,149,096					
37,564,908	30,801,268	8,200,571	3,369,483	72,255,671	4,462,823					
13,578,498	17,018,184	6,177,383	2,396,413	54,918,430	2,087,518					
96,563	100,151	16,992	10,545	287,679	9,362					
2,414	2,504	425	264	7,192	234					
98,977	102,655	17,417	10,809	294,871	9,596					
13,677,475	17,120,839	6,194,800	2,407,222	55,213,301	2,097,114					
23,887,433	13,680,429	2,005,771	962,261	17,042,370	2,365,709					
87,082,046	96,056,505	17,256,170	10,344,433	287,922,566	8,462,348					
\$ 110,969,479	\$ 109,736,934	\$ 19,261,941	\$ 11,306,694	\$ 304,964,936	\$ 10,828,057 (Continued)					
	Allocation Option \$ 23,652,037 13,912,871 37,564,908 13,578,498 96,563 2,414 98,977 13,677,475 23,887,433 87,082,046	Allocation Option Allocation Option \$ 23,652,037 13,912,871 \$ 19,076,999 11,724,269 37,564,908 30,801,268 13,578,498 17,018,184 96,563 100,151 2,414 2,504 98,977 102,655 13,677,475 17,120,839 23,887,433 13,680,429 87,082,046 96,056,505	Allocation Option Allocation Option Allocation Option Allocation Option \$ 23,652,037 13,912,871 \$ 19,076,999 11,724,269 \$ 6,933,126 1,267,445 37,564,908 30,801,268 8,200,571 13,578,498 17,018,184 6,177,383 96,563 100,151 16,992 2,414 2,504 425 98,977 102,655 17,417 13,677,475 17,120,839 6,194,800 23,887,433 13,680,429 2,005,771 87,082,046 96,056,505 17,256,170	Allocation OptionAllocation OptionAllocation OptionEquity Index Option\$ 23,652,037 13,912,871\$ 19,076,999 11,724,269\$ 6,933,126 1,267,445\$ 2,209,969 1,159,51437,564,90830,801,2688,200,5713,369,48313,578,49817,018,1846,177,3832,396,41396,563100,15116,99210,545 2,4142,4142,50442526498,977102,65517,41710,80913,677,47517,120,8396,194,8002,407,22223,887,43313,680,4292,005,771962,26187,082,04696,056,50517,256,17010,344,433	Aggressive Allocation Moderate Allocation Conservative Allocation International Equity Index International Equity \$ 23,652,037 \$ 19,076,999 \$ 6,933,126 \$ 2,209,969 \$ 24,423,608 13,912,871 11,724,269 1,267,445 1,159,514 47,832,063 37,564,908 30,801,268 8,200,571 3,369,483 72,255,671 13,578,498 17,018,184 6,177,383 2,396,413 54,918,430 96,563 100,151 16,992 10,545 287,679 2,414 2,504 425 264 7,192 98,977 102,655 17,417 10,809 294,871 13,677,475 17,120,839 6,194,800 2,407,222 55,213,301 23,887,433 13,680,429 2,005,771 962,261 17,042,370 87,082,046 96,056,505 17,256,170 10,344,433 287,922,566					



STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET POSITION

Year Ended June 30, 2024

		Risk					
	100% Fixed-Income Option	U.S. Large Cap Equity Option	Money Market Option	Principal Plus Interest Option	Large Cap Responsible Equity Option	State Matching Grant Program	Plan Total
ADDITIONS							
Subscriptions Net investment income Total Additions	\$ 6,517,151 697,841 7,214,992	\$ 39,003,959 30,483,968 69,487,927	\$ 19,554,135 1,217,744 20,771,879	\$ 14,249,705 2,649,951 16,899,656	\$ 1,612,819 476,963 2,089,782	\$ - <u>31,021</u> <u>31,021</u>	\$ 330,199,410 201,028,457 531,227,867
DEDUCTIONS							
Redemptions Expenses:	7,049,447	19,822,353	9,208,369	37,171,248	229,862	154,535	337,982,380
Plan Manager fee	17,691	132,184	23,118	-	2,102	-	1,766,385
Minnesota administrative fee	442	3,305	578		53	-	44,160
Total expenses	18,133	135,489	23,696	-	2,155	-	1,810,545
Total Deductions	7,067,580	19,957,842	9,232,065	37,171,248	232,017	154,535	339,792,925
CHANGE IN NET POSITION	147,412	49,530,085	11,539,814	(20,271,592)	1,857,765	(123,514)	191,434,942
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST FOR ACCOUNT OWNERS AND BENEFICIARIES, BEGINNING OF YEAR	18,066,815	113,692,637	18,039,936	114,659,028	1,306,801	1,261,171	1,830,494,456
NET POSITION HELD IN TRUST FOR ACCOUNT OWNERS AND BENEFICIARIES, END OF YEAR	\$ 18,214,227	\$ 163,222,722	\$ 29,579,750	\$ 94,387,436	\$ 3,164,566	\$ 1,137,657	\$ 2,021,929,398



Report of Independent Auditors on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

To the Minnesota State Board of Investment and the Minnesota Office of Higher Education

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards,* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the financial statements of the Minnesota College Savings Plan (the "Plan"), which comprise the statement of fiduciary net position as of June 30, 2024, and the related statement of changes in fiduciary net position for the year then ended, including the related notes (collectively referred to as the "basic financial statements"), and have issued our report thereon dated August 30, 2024.

Report on Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the basic financial statements, we considered the Plan's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the basic financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control.

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

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

Report on Compliance and Other Matters

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

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Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of the Plan's internal control or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering the Plan's internal control and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

Pricewaterbauxe Coopers LLP

August 30, 2024