BRIGHTER FUTURE
529 ADVISOR PLAN

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IMPORTANT NOTICES

Before you make Contributions to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan (either the "Brighter Future Advisor Plan" or the "Plan"), please read and understand this Program Description and the attached Participation Agreement. Please keep both this Program Description and the Participation Agreement for future reference. These documents together give you important information about the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, including information about the investment risks associated with, and the terms under which you agree to participate in, the Plan. See *PART II - THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS AND INVESTMENT RISKS – Plan and Portfolio Risks and Other Considerations* and *APPENDIX B – PORTFOLIO AND UNDERLYING INVESTMENT RISKS* for more information about the risks of investing in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. See *KEY TERMS* for capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined in this Program Description.

Investment Risk; No Guarantee

Interests in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan are municipal fund securities issued by the Plan, which is administered by The Arkansas Section 529 Plan Review Committee (the "Committee"). Interests in the Plan are not deposits or other obligations of any depository institution. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan, which is within the Arkansas Brighter Future Fund Plan Trust (the "Trust"), is administered by the Committee, which is composed of the Director of the Department of Higher Education, the Executive Director of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, and the Arkansas State Treasurer, and is managed by Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC ("ABD"). None of your Account, the principal you invest, nor any investment return is insured or guaranteed by ABD or its affiliates (collectively, "Ascensus"), BlackRock, Inc., BlackRock Fund Advisors or any of their affiliates (collectively "BlackRock"), the Committee, the State of Arkansas or any instrumentality thereof, the federal government, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (except to the extent of FDIC insurance available on the Savings Portfolio), or any other state or federal governmental agency. In short, you may not make money and you could lose your money (including the principal invested) if you invest in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. Neither your contributions to an Account nor any investment return earned on your contributions are guaranteed by Plan Officials. Except to the extent of FDIC insurance available on the Savings Portfolio, you could lose money (including your contributions) or not make any money by investing in the Plan.

The Plan, the investment options in the Plan, the Trust and its portfolios, and interests therein have not been registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") in reliance on an exemption from registration available for obligations issued by a public instrumentality or state. In addition, interests in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan have not been registered with any state in reliance on an exemption from registration available for obligations issued by an instrumentality of a state.

Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved these securities or passed upon the adequacy of the Program Description or the Participation Agreement. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense. These securities have not been registered with the SEC or any state securities commission.

Tax Considerations

Although the Plan allows for investors that are not resident in Arkansas, it should be noted that there are generally significant potential state tax advantages and other benefits, such as matching grant and scholarship opportunities, protection from creditors and exemption from state financial aid calculations for investors who invest in 529 plans in their state of residence. If you are not an Arkansas resident taxpayer, consider before investing whether your or the Designated Beneficiary's home state offers a 529 Plan that will provide you with more of these benefits. Since different states have different tax provisions, this Program Description contains limited generally applicable information about the state tax consequences of investing in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan under Arkansas law. Therefore, please consult your financial, tax, or other advisor to learn more about how state-based benefits (or any limitations) would apply to your specific circumstances. You also may wish to contact your home state's 529 plan(s), or any other 529 plan, to learn more about those plans' features, benefits and limitations. Keep in mind that state-based benefits should be one of many appropriately weighted factors to be considered when making an investment decision.

The Brighter Future Advisor Plan is available for purchase by residents of all states through financial professionals. However, this Program Description does not address the state tax implications of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan other than certain Arkansas tax consequences relevant to Arkansas resident taxpayers.

This Program Description is (i) not intended as individual tax advice to any person (including any Account Owner or Designated Beneficiary) and (ii) provided as general information in connection with the promotion or marketing of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. The Plan is intended to be used only to save for Qualified Higher Education Expenses. The Plan is not provided or intended to be used, and should not be used, by any taxpayer for the purpose of avoiding the payment of federal or state tax penalties. You should consult your legal or tax advisor about the impact of federal and state tax rules on your individual situation.

Account Owner's Interest

Account Owners and Designated Beneficiaries do not have access or rights to any assets of the Trust other than assets credited to the Account of such Account Owner or Designated Beneficiary.

Individual Advice

No investment recommendation or advice received by the Account Owner from any financial professional or any other person is provided by, or on behalf of, the Plan Officials.

Program Description Information

This Program Description is for informational purposes only. In the event of any conflicts, the Arkansas statutes (Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-84-101, et seq.) and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended from time to time (the "Code"), shall prevail over this Program Description.

The information contained in this Program Description is believed to be accurate as of the date hereof and is subject to change without notice. Account Owners should rely only on the information contained in this Program Description. No one is authorized to provide information that is different from the information contained in this Program Description.

This Program Description does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of a security in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for such person to make such an offer, solicitation or sale.

Read this Program Description carefully before you invest or send money.

Representations

Statements contained in this Program Description that involve estimates, forecasts, or matters of opinion, whether or not expressly so described herein, are intended solely as such and are not to be construed as representations of facts.

Special Considerations

The Committee reserves the right to:

- Refuse, change, discontinue, or temporarily suspend Account services, including accepting contributions and processing withdrawal requests, for any reason without prior written notice.
- Delay sending out the proceeds of a withdrawal request for up to ten (10) calendar days (this generally applies only to very large withdrawal requests without advance notice or during unusual market conditions).
- Delay sending out the proceeds of a withdrawal request for up to nine (9) business days when a mailing address has changed and if the proceeds are requested to be sent by check to either the Account Owner or a Designated Beneficiary.

- Delay sending out the proceeds of a withdrawal request for up to fifteen (15) calendar days if bank information has been added or edited.
- Following the receipt of any Contributions made by check, recurring contribution, or electronic bank transfer, hold withdrawal requests for up to seven (7) business days.
- Suspend the processing of withdrawal requests or postpone sending out the proceeds of a withdrawal request when the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") is closed for any reason other than its usual weekend or holiday closings, when trading is restricted by the SEC, or under any emergency circumstances.

This Program Description contains important information concerning the following topics:

(i) Fees and costs (See *PART IV - ACCOUNT AND PORTFOLIO FEES AND EXPENSES*);

(ii) Investment options and the Investment Manager, and how and when the Committee may change both (See *PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT*, *PART VII -* LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION *–The Investment Manager*, *and PART II - THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS AND INVESTMENT RISKS – Potential Future Changes to the Plan*);

(iii) Portfolio investment performance (See *PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT – Historical Investment Performance*);

(iv) Federal and state tax considerations (See *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT*);

(v) Risk factors (See *PART II - THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS AND INVESTMENT* RISKS *– Plan and Portfolio Risks and Other Considerations* and *APPENDIX B – PORTFOLIO AND UNDERLYING INVESTMENT RISKS*); and

(vi) Limitations or penalties imposed by the Brighter Future Advisor Plan upon transfers between investment options, transfers to other Section 529 savings plans or Non-Qualified Withdrawals generally (See *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT*).

This Program Description has been updated to reflect federal law changes enacted by the U.S. Congress as part of H.R. 1. The IRS has not issued specific guidance on the recent federal law changes affecting Qualified Tuition Programs, including the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. The Account Owner will be responsible for any taxes or penalties resulting from failure to comply with H.R. 1 and any subsequent IRS rules or guidance. If the IRS issues rules or guidance that materially changes the information set forth in this Program Description the Plan Officials will provide updates.

THE BRIGHTER FUTURE ADVISOR PLAN KEY FEATURES

This section highlights certain key features of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. Please read the complete Program Description carefully before you invest. The Program Description does not contain legal or tax advice. You should consult your legal or tax advisor for more information.

FEATURE	DESCRIPTION	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
PROGRAM MANAGER	Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC ("ABD" or "Program Manager")	ABD, the Program Manager, and its affiliates, Ascensus Investment Advisors, LLC ("AIA") and Ascensus College Savings Recordkeeping Services, LLC ("ACSR," together with ABD and AIA, "Ascensus") have overall responsibility for the day-to-day operations, recordkeeping, and administrative services of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. The term of the contract between Ascensus and the State of Arkansas expires December 31, 2027. See *PART VII - LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION – The Program Manager*.
INVESTMENT MANAGER	BlackRock Fund Advisors ("BFA" or "Investment Manager")	BFA provides Underlying Investments for each of the Portfolios for the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. The current term of the contract between Ascensus and BlackRock expires December 31, 2027. See *PART VII - LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION – The Investment Manager*.
DISTRIBUTOR	Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC	Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC is the distributor of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan and provides marketing services for the Plan.
THE TRUST	The Arkansas Brighter Future Fund Plan Trust (the "Trust")	The Arkansas Brighter Future Fund Plan Trust is a trust created under Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-84-101, et seq., as amended (the "Act") for the purpose of offering a qualified tuition program pursuant to Section 529 of the Code (a "529 Plan"). The Trust includes the Brighter Future Advisor Plan which is offered through financial professionals, as well as the Arkansas Brighter Future Direct Plan (the "Direct Plan") which is offered by the State directly to the public through a separate program description.
THE COMMITTEE	The Arkansas Section 529 Plan Review Committee	The Committee is responsible for administering the Trust. The Committee is composed of the Director of the Arkansas Department of Higher Education, the executive Director of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, and the Arkansas State Treasurer.
PARTICIPATION	All U.S. citizens Resident aliens Certain other entities	The Brighter Future Advisor Plan is open to all U.S. citizens and resident aliens with a permanent U.S. address and a valid Social Security number or taxpayer identification number through a financial professional. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan is also available directly to officers, directors, and employees of BlackRock and Ascensus and their affiliates. Account Owners must be at least 18 years of age and have a U.S. permanent address that is not a Post Office Box. Designated Beneficiaries may be of any age, from newborn to adult, with a valid Social Security number or taxpayer identification number. There are no restrictions on state of residence or income. Corporations and certain other entities organized in the United States, including custodial and trust accounts, with a valid taxpayer identification number, may participate in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. See *PART I - OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT – Identifying an Account Owner*.
CONTRIBUTIONS	Initial Contribution Minimums: $500 minimum ($50 per month or $150 per quarter for recurring contributions and $25 per pay period for payroll direct deposit)	Contributions may be made by anyone, regardless of their income; however, only the Account Owner can determine how the assets are invested or used. An Account Owner may allocate Contributions in one percent increments among any of the investment options subject to the minimum initial and subsequent Contribution requirements described below. Consult your financial professional for assistance in determining the allocation that is appropriate for your college savings goals and objectives.

	Subsequent Contribution Minimums: $50; or $50 per month or $150 per quarter for recurring contributions; or $25 per pay period for payroll direct deposit; $25 for Ugift®; or $50 for Upromise	*Initial Contribution Minimums*: The Brighter Future Advisor Plan requires a minimum of $500 to open an Account. You can establish an Account with a recurring contribution with a minimum initial Contribution of $50 per month or $150 per quarter. In addition, you can automatically contribute through payroll direct deposit, if provided by your employer, with a minimum initial Contribution of $25 per pay period. *Subsequent Contribution Minimums*: Depending on how you make your subsequent Contribution, different minimums apply. You can add to an existing Account with a minimum Contribution of $50. You can also (i) establish a recurring contribution for subsequent Contributions with a minimum of $50 per month or $150 per quarter; (ii) contribute through payroll direct deposit with a minimum subsequent Contribution of $25 per pay period, if provided by your employer; or (iii) receive a Contribution through Ugift®, subject to a *$25* minimum. See *PART I - OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT – Contributions*.
MAXIMUM CONTRIBUTION LIMIT	Currently $500,000	Section 529 requires that a 529 program provide adequate safeguards to prevent contributions for a Designated Beneficiary in excess of those necessary to provide for the Qualified Higher Education Expenses of the Designated Beneficiary. The Committee expects to evaluate the Maximum Contribution Limit annually based on certain higher education costs, but reserves the right to make adjustments more or less frequently. See *PART I - OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT – Maximum Contribution Limit*.
FEES & EXPENSES	**Total Annual Asset-Based Fees** Underlying Investment Expenses Program Management Fees State Administration Fee Annual Sales Fee **Other Charges** Sales Charges	**Annual Asset-Based Fees and Expenses**: Underlying Investment Expenses: varies based on the Portfolio option selected Program Management Fee Year of Enrollment and Asset Allocation Portfolios: 0.35% of Portfolio assets Custom iShares Portfolios and the FDIC Insured Portfolio: 0.30% of Portfolio assets State Administration Fee: 0.05% of Portfolio assets Annual Sales Fee Class A Units: 0.25% Class L Units: 0.60% Class F Units: None **Other Charges**: Sales Charges *Maximum Initial Sales Charge*: Class A Units (other than Class A Units of the Savings Portfolio) – 3.00%; Class L Units – None Some investments, including certain rollovers, may qualify for discounts or waivers on the initial sales charge. *Contingent Deferred Sales Charge*: Class A Units – None, provided that a contingent deferred sales charge of 1.00% is assessed on certain withdrawals of investments in Class A Units made within 18 months after purchase where no Initial Sales Charge was paid at time of purchase as part of an investment of $1,000,000 or more. There is no contingent deferred sales charge on the Savings Portfolio. Class L Units – None Class F Units – None

	Annual Account Maintenance Fee	Annual Account Maintenance Fee: $10 The Annual Account Maintenance Fee is waived for Accounts where the combined Account balance for the same Account Owner and Designated Beneficiary is equal to or greater than $20,000. Each Portfolio offers Class A Units, Class L Units and Class F Units. Class F Units are available only to Account Owners that meet specific eligibility requirements. Class F Units Class F Units are currently available only to Account Owners that are (i) clients of Financial Intermediaries that charge such client for advisory, investment consulting or similar services; (ii) clients investing through Financial Intermediaries that have entered into an agreement with Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC to offer such Units on a platform that charges a transaction-based sales commission outside of the Plan; or (iii) employees of BlackRock or Ascensus. You should contact your Financial Intermediary about any commissions charged by them on your purchase of Class F Units. See *PART IV - ACCOUNT AND PORTFOLIO FEES AND EXPENSES*.
INVESTMENT OPTIONS AND PERFORMANCE	Investment options in the Plan (each, a "Portfolio") include: ● 7 iShares Year of Enrollment Portfolios ● 4 iShares Asset Allocation Portfolios ● 15 Custom iShares Portfolios ● 1 FDIC-Insured Portfolio You should contact your financial professional for assistance in selecting your investment option(s) Contributions will be invested based on the Portfolio(s) that you choose Portfolio performance information as of March 31, 2026 is included in this Program Description.	Year-of-Enrollment Portfolios allow you to select a Portfolio based upon the Designated Beneficiary's anticipated year of enrollment. Asset Allocation Portfolios allow you to select the Portfolio or mix of Portfolios that best fits your risk tolerance. Custom iShares Portfolios allow you to select among fifteen individual Portfolios to design your own personalized investment mix, or complement your Year-of-Enrollment or Asset Allocation Portfolio selections. Each Custom iShares Portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in a single iShares ETF Underlying Investment. The FDIC-Insured Portfolio option allows you to invest in the Savings Portfolio, which invests 100% of its assets in a FDIC-insured high yield savings account held in trust by the Committee at Sallie Mae Bank. You may allocate Contributions to one or more of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan's Portfolios managed by BFA or Sallie Mae Bank. Past Portfolio performance is not indicative of future Portfolio performance. See *PART II - THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS AND INVESTMENT RISKS* and *PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT – Historical Investment Performance*.
POTENTIAL TAX ADVANTAGES	Federal/State Deferrals	Section 529 provides the opportunity for federal tax-deferred growth. The earnings portion of a Qualified Withdrawal will not be subject to federal income tax, whereas the earnings portion of a Non-Qualified Withdrawal will be taxed to the recipient (and may be subject to the Additional 10% Federal Tax). Depending on the state where you or your Designated Beneficiary live or pay state income tax, your Account earnings may or may not be subject to state income tax. For Arkansas taxpayers, contributions generally give rise to a deduction from taxable income, Account earnings are not currently taxable, and Account earnings on Qualified Withdrawals are not subject to Arkansas state income tax. Assuming that no other Section 529 plan contributions are made, Arkansas taxpayers can deduct Contributions to the Trust (contributions to all accounts in both the Brighter Future Advisor Plan and the Direct Plan) up to $5,000 per taxpayer ($10,000 total for a married couple) for Arkansas state income tax purposes (subject to recapture). Contributions over $5,000 per taxpayer ($10,000 per married couple) to the Plan made in a tax year may be carried forward to the next succeeding four (4) tax years. Arkansas taxpayers can (i) deduct contributions of up to $3,000 per taxpayer ($6,000 for a married couple) into a tax-deferred tuition savings program established by another state for Arkansas state income tax purposes (subject to recapture) and (ii) rollover contributions up to $7,500 per taxpayer ($15,000 total per married couple) into the Plan from a tax-deferred tuition savings program established by another state are deductible for Arkansas state income tax purposes (subject to recapture) in the tax year in which such contribution was rolled over into the Plan.

		See *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT*.
GIFT AND GENERATION-SKIPPING TRANSFER ("GST") TAX ADVANTAGES	No gift tax or Generation-Skipping Transfer ("GST") tax on Contributions up to $19,000 annually for individuals ($95,000 total for five years) or $38,000 annually combined for spouses making gift-splitting election ($190,000 total for five years) for 2025	An individual can make a gift of up to $95,000 (or spouses making a gift-splitting election can make aggregate gifts of up to $190,000) for 2025 without triggering federal gift tax. To do this, the contributor must elect to treat the entire gift as a series of five equal annual gifts of up to $19,000 for individuals (or $38,000 for spouses making a gift-splitting election). In addition, each contributor has a lifetime exemption that may be applied to gifts in excess of the $19,000 annual exclusion amounts referred to above. The lifetime exemption for 2025 is $11,700,000 less adjusted prior taxable gifts. The applicable exclusion amount for estate and generation-skipping transfer taxes is $11,700,000 for 2025. See *PART V – FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT - Federal Gift and Estate Taxes*. A permissible change of the Designated Beneficiary of an Account or a permissible transfer to an Account for another Designated Beneficiary will potentially be subject to gift tax if the new Designated Beneficiary is in a younger generation than the prior Designated Beneficiary. Additionally, if the new Designated Beneficiary is two or more generations below the prior Designated Beneficiary, the transfer may be subject to the generation-skipping transfer tax.
ESTATE TAX	Contributions and earnings excluded from estate for estate tax and GST tax purposes, except in limited circumstances.	If an Account Owner dies, money in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan is not includable in the Account Owner's estate, with one exception. If the Account Owner elects to prorate a Contribution over five years, and dies before the beginning of the fifth year, then the Contribution amounts allocable to the calendar years after the date of death are included in the Account Owner's estate for estate tax purposes. See *PART V – FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT - Federal Gift and Estate Taxes*.
WITHDRAWALS	Withdrawals can be requested by phone, online or by mailing a Withdrawal Request Form to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.	You must specify the Portfolio(s) from which the withdrawal will be taken, and the amount from each Portfolio. If you do not specify any Portfolios, your request will be prorated across all of your Portfolios. See *PART VI - MAKING WITHDRAWALS – Requesting a Withdrawal.*
TAX TREATMENT OF QUALIFIED WITHDRAWALS AND NON-QUALIFIED WITHDRAWALS	**Qualified Withdrawals** are withdrawals used to pay for Qualified Higher Education Expenses. **Non-Qualified Withdrawals** taken for any other purpose will be treated as income to the Distributee and may be subject to an Additional 10% Federal Tax.	**Qualified Withdrawals.** The earnings portion of Qualified Withdrawals are not subject to federal or Arkansas income tax if used to pay for Qualified Higher Education Expenses at an Eligible Educational Institution, including: tuition, books, supplies, fees, and equipment required for enrollment or attendance, room and board (with limitations), and expenses for the purchase of computer or peripheral equipment, computer software, or internet access and related services, if such equipment, software, or services are to be used primarily by the Designated Beneficiary during any of the years the designated beneficiary is enrolled at an Eligible Educational Institution. However, expenses for software designed for sports, games or hobbies are excluded unless the software is predominantly educational in nature. You can generally determine if a school is an Eligible Educational Institution by searching for its Federal School Code (identification number for schools eligible for Title IV financial aid programs) on the Department of Education's website at www.fafsa.ed.gov. In addition, Qualified Higher Education Expenses include (i) tuition and certain expenses associated with enrollment or attendance at an elementary and secondary public, private or religious school, (ii) tuition and certain expenses associated with enrollment and attendance in a recognized postsecondary credential program, as well as expenses associated with obtaining and maintaining a recognized postsecondary credential; (iii) certain expenses associated with registered apprenticeship programs and (iv) certain amounts paid as principal or interest on a qualified education loan of the Designated Beneficiary or a sibling of the Designated Beneficiary. **Please note that distributions taken for postsecondary credentialing expenses and K-12 expenses (except for tuition) are not currently qualified for Arkansas state income tax purposes and will trigger a deduction recapture under Arkansas tax law.** **Non-Qualified Withdrawals.** The earnings portion of a withdrawal from an Account that is not used to pay for Qualified Higher Education Expenses will be treated as income to the Distributee and taxed at the Distributee's tax rate for federal and Arkansas tax

		purposes. In addition, the Additional 10% Federal Tax and may apply to certain Non-Qualified Withdrawals. See <u>*PART VI - MAKING WITHDRAWALS – Withdrawals that are Tax-Exempt (Qualified Withdrawals)*</u> and <u>*Withdrawals that are Taxable*</u>.
INVESTMENT EXCHANGES	You should contact your financial professional for assistance with changes to your investment options. An Investment Exchange can be requested online, by telephone or by mailing the appropriate form to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan; however, there are limitations on such transactions.	You may reallocate your Account balance among Portfolios in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan (referred to as an "Investment Exchange") up to two times every calendar year for a given Designated Beneficiary or at any time upon a change of the Designated Beneficiary. A direct transfer of assets between accounts within the Trust (*i.e.*, between the Direct Plan and the Brighter Future Advisor Plan) for the same Designated Beneficiary will be treated as the reallocation of your account balance that is permitted up to two times every calendar year for a given Designated Beneficiary. Establishing a Dollar Cost Averaging program when you make a new investment to an existing investment option that has already been established for your Account or implementing a Dollar Cost Averaging program to existing Account assets will also count toward the Investment Exchange limit. Changes to, or termination of, a Dollar Cost Averaging program on an existing Account will count towards the Investment Exchange limit for that Designated Beneficiary for the calendar year. You may change the allocation of future Contributions at any time. See <u>*PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT – Changing Investment Options*</u> and <u>*PART I - OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT – Transfer Within the Trust for Same Designated Beneficiary*</u>.
RISK FACTORS OF THE PLAN	An investment in the Portfolios is subject to market risk and volatility, including loss of principal.	An investment in the Portfolios is subject to risks including (i) the risk of losing money over short or long periods, (ii) the investment risks of the Underlying Investments, which include, without limitation, market risk, interest rate risk, foreign investment risk and credit risk, (iii) the risk of changes to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, including changes in fees, (iv) the risk of changes in applicable federal and state tax laws and regulations, and (v) the risk that Contributions to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan may adversely affect the eligibility of the Designated Beneficiary or the Account Owner for financial aid or other benefits. See <u>*APPENDIX B – PORTFOLIO AND UNDERLYING INVESTMENT RISKS*</u>.
CONTACT INFORMATION	To establish an Account, perform Account maintenance, initiate transactions, request administrative forms or ask questions about the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, you can contact your financial professional directly or a client service representative at 1-888-529-9552. You may also access your Account online at <u>www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com</u>	<u>Phone</u>: 1-888-529-9552 8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m. Eastern time (regular business days) <u>Online</u>: <u>www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com</u> <u>Regular Mail</u>: Brighter Future Advisor Plan P.O. Box 219700 Kansas City, MO 64121-9700 <u>Expedited Delivery</u>: Brighter Future Advisor Plan 1001 E 101st Terrace, Suite 200 Kansas City, MO 64131

BRIGHTER FUTURE ADVISOR PLAN KEY TERMS

529 Plan — A tax-advantaged qualified tuition plan authorized under and meeting the requirements of Section 529 of the Code.

Account — An investment account established under the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

Account Application — The Brighter Future Advisor Plan application that is used to establish an Account in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

Account Owner — The person or entity that establishes an Account with the Brighter Future Advisor Plan or his or her successor. References in this document to "you" mean you in your capacity as the Account Owner.

Act — Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-84-101, *et seq.*, as amended.

Additional 10% Federal Tax — An additional 10% federal tax on the earnings portion of certain Non-Qualified Withdrawals.

Code — The Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended.

Committee — The Arkansas Section 529 Plan Review Committee. The Committee is responsible for the administration of the Trust.

Contribution — An amount contributed to and invested in an Account.

Designated Beneficiary — The individual for whom the Account is established.

Distributee — The person who is potentially subject to tax on a withdrawal from an Account. The Distributee may be the Account Owner or the Designated Beneficiary.

Eligible Educational Institution — An institution as defined in Section 529 of the Code. Generally, the term includes accredited post-secondary educational institutions offering credit toward a bachelor's degree, an associate's degree, a graduate level or professional degree, or another recognized post-secondary credential. Certain proprietary institutions, foreign institutions, and post-secondary vocational institutions are also Eligible Educational Institutions. The institution must be eligible to participate in a student financial aid program under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. Section 1088). The U.S. Department of Education maintains a database of the institutions that qualify as Eligible Educational Institutions.

Exchange Traded Fund ("***ETF***") — ETFs are funds that trade like other publicly-traded securities and are typically designed to track an index. Similar to shares of an index mutual fund, each share of an ETF represents partial ownership in an underlying portfolio of securities intended to track a market index. Unlike shares of a mutual fund, the shares of an ETF are listed on a national securities exchange and trade in the secondary market at market prices that change throughout the day. The ETFs in each Portfolio are bought on the secondary market, and are not bought or redeemed directly from the issuer at the net asset value per share ("NAV").

Financial Intermediary — A firm including a securities dealer, broker, financial service provider, or properly licensed and registered investment advisor whose employees provide investment advice to their clients.

Force Majeure — Circumstances beyond the reasonable control of any Plan Officials, including but not limited to regulatory or legislative changes, worldwide political uncertainties, and general economic conditions (such as, and including, inflation and unemployment rates), acts of God, acts of civil or military authority, acts of government, accidents, environmental disasters, natural disasters or events, fires, floods, earthquakes, hurricanes, explosions, lightning, suspensions of trading, epidemics, pandemics, public health crises, quarantines, wars, acts of war (whether war is declared or not), terrorism, threats of terrorism, insurrections, embargoes, cyber-attacks, riots, strikes, lockouts or other labor disturbances, disruptions of supply chains, civil unrest, revolutions, power or other mechanical failures, loss or malfunction of utilities or communications services, delays or stoppage of postal or courier services, delays in or stoppages of transportation, and any other events or circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the Plan Officials whether similar or dissimilar to any of the foregoing.

Intermediary Plan — A 529 plan offered exclusively through Financial Intermediaries. Investors may receive professional investment advice from their financial professionals or Financial Intermediaries. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan is an Intermediary Plan.

Investment Exchange — A reallocation of your account balance among Portfolios that is permitted up to two times every calendar year for a given Designated Beneficiary or at any time upon a change in the Designated Beneficiary to a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary (see *PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT – Changing Investment Options*). As discussed in *PART I - OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT – Transfer Within the Trust for Same Designated Beneficiary*, a direct transfer of assets between accounts within the Trust, in the Direct Plan or the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, for the same Designated Beneficiary will also be treated as a reallocation of the investments in your Account balance that is permitted twice every calendar year for a given Designated Beneficiary, and thus will also be treated as an Investment Exchange for federal and state tax purposes.

Investment Manager — BlackRock Fund Advisors (“BFA”) provides Underlying Investments for each of the Portfolios for the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

Maximum Contribution Limit — The maximum aggregate Account balance, established by the Committee from time to time, which will limit the amount of Contributions that may be made to Accounts for any one Designated Beneficiary, as required by Section 529. The balance in all accounts for the same Designated Beneficiary in Arkansas-sponsored 529 Plans (regardless of the Account Owner) will be aggregated for the purpose of applying the Maximum Contribution Limit. As of the date of this Program Description, the Maximum Contribution Limit is $500,000.

Member of the Family — A Member of the Family as defined in Section 529 (see *PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT – Member of the Family*).

Non-Qualified Withdrawal — A withdrawal from an Account that is not used to pay for Qualified Higher Education Expenses. These withdrawals will be treated as income to the Distributee and taxed at the Distributee’s tax rate. In addition, the Additional 10% Federal Tax may apply to the earnings portion of certain Non-Qualified Withdrawals.

Participation Agreement — The binding legal agreement governing an Account entered into by the Account Owner and the Trust.

Plan Officials — The State of Arkansas, all agencies, instrumentalities and funds of the State of Arkansas, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, the Committee, the Trust, any other agency of the State of Arkansas, the Program Manager (including its affiliates and agents), the Investment Manager (including its respective affiliates and agents), the Distributor (including its respective affiliates and agents), Sallie Mae Bank (including its affiliates and agents), and any other counsel, advisor, or consultant retained by, or on behalf of, those entities and any member, employee, officer, official, representative or agent of those entities.

Portfolio — An investment option in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

Program Description — This Brighter Future Advisor Plan Program Description and Participation Agreement and any applicable supplement thereto, each as amended and supplemented from time to time.

Qualified Education Loan — A qualified education loan as defined in Section 221(d) of the Code.

Qualified Higher Education Expenses —

Eligible Educational Institutions:

Qualified Higher Education Expenses include tuition, fees, and the cost of books, supplies, and equipment required for the enrollment or attendance of a Designated Beneficiary at an Eligible Educational Institution (including expenses for special needs services in the case of a special needs Designated Beneficiary which are incurred in connection with such enrollment or attendance), along with certain room and board expenses of a Designated Beneficiary attending school at least half-time, as allowable under Section 529, and expenses for the purchase of computer or peripheral equipment (as defined in section 168(i)(2)(B) of the Code), computer software (as defined in section 197(e)(3)(B) of the Code), or internet access and related services, if such equipment, software, or services are to be used primarily by the Designated Beneficiary during any of the years the Designated Beneficiary is enrolled at an Eligible Educational Institution. Computer software designed for sports, games, or hobbies are excluded unless the software is predominantly educational in nature.

Elementary and Secondary Education (K-12):

Qualified Higher Education Expenses also include certain expenses as defined by the Code in connection with enrollment or attendance at an elementary or secondary public, private, or religious school ("K-12 Expenses"). These expenses are not to exceed the per beneficiary annual distribution limit set by the Code (currently $10,000 for tax year 2025; and $20,000 for tax years beginning after December 31, 2025). These expenses include: (i) tuition; (ii) curriculum and curricular materials; (iii) books or other instructional materials, (iv) online educational materials; (v) tuition for tutoring or educational classes outside of the home, including at a tutoring facility, but only if the tutor or instructor is not related to the student and is licensed as a teacher in any state, has taught at an eligible educational institution, or is a subject matter expert in the relevant subject; (vi) fees for a nationally standardized norm-referenced achievement test, an advanced placement examination, or any examinations related to college or university admission; (vii) fees for dual enrollment in an institution of higher education; and (viii) educational therapies for students with disabilities provided by a licensed or accredited practitioner or provider, including occupational, behavioral, physical, and speech-language therapies. Distributions for K-12 Expenses which are equal to or less than the per Designated Beneficiary annual distribution limit will generally be free of federal income tax; however, expenses other than tuition are currently not qualified for state tax purposes and will trigger a deduction recapture under Arkansas tax law. It is the account owner's responsibility to ensure that distributions for K-12 Expenses do not exceed the aggregate limit for a Designated Beneficiary.

Investment Options Not Designed for Elementary and Secondary Education Expenses

The Plan's investment options are designed to save for postsecondary expenses. They have not been designed to assist you in reaching your K-12 expense savings goals.

In particular, the Year of Enrollment Portfolios are designed for Account Owners seeking to invest in an Investment Option based on the anticipated year of enrollment in postsecondary education of the Designated Beneficiary, and may not be appropriate for your Designated Beneficiary's K-12 time horizon. You may wish to consider a blend of Custom iShares Portfolios and/or one or more of the iShares Asset Allocation Portfolios.

Postsecondary Credentialing Expenses:

Effective for distributions taken after July 4, 2025, certain expenses in connection with obtaining and maintaining a postsecondary credential are considered qualified higher education expenses, not subject to federal income tax. These expenses include: (i) tuition, fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for the enrollment or attendance of a designated beneficiary in a **recognized postsecondary credential program**, or any other expense incurred in connection with enrollment in or attendance at a recognized postsecondary credential program if such expense would, if incurred in connection with enrollment or attendance at an eligible educational institution, be considered a qualified higher education expense as defined in the Code; (ii) fees for testing if such testing is required to obtain or maintain a **recognized postsecondary credential**, and; (iii) fees for continuing education if such education is required to maintain a recognized postsecondary credential.

Recognized Postsecondary Credential Program

A Recognized Postsecondary Credential Program is defined by the Code as any program to obtain a recognized postsecondary credential that: (i) is on a state list prepared under section 122(d) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3152(d)); (ii) is listed in the public directory of the Web Enabled Approval Management System (WEAMS) of the Veterans Benefits Administration, or successor directory such program; (iii) provides training or education which prepares individuals to take an examination (developed or administered by an organization widely recognized as providing reputable credentials in the occupation and the organization recognizes such program as providing training or education which prepares individuals) that is required to obtain or maintain such credential, or; (iv) is identified by the Secretary of the Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of Labor, as being a reputable program for obtaining a recognized postsecondary credential.

Recognized Postsecondary Credential

A Recognized Postsecondary Credential is defined by the Code as: (i) any postsecondary employment credential that is industry recognized and is: (a) issued by a program that is accredited by the Institute for Credentialing Excellence, the National Commission on Certifying Agencies, or the American National Standards Institute; (b) included in the Credentialing Opportunities On-Line (COOL) directory of credentialing programs (or successor directory) maintained by the Department of Defense or by any branch of the Armed Forces; or (c) identified by the Secretary of the Treasury after consultation with the Secretary of Labor, as being industry recognized; (ii) any certificate of completion of an apprenticeship that is registered and certified with the Secretary of Labor under the Act of August 16, 1937 (commonly known as the 'National Apprenticeship Act'; 50 Stat. 664, chapter 663; 29 U.S.C. 50 et seq.); (iii) any occupational or professional license issued or recognized by a state or the federal government (and any certification that satisfies a condition for obtaining such a license); and (iv) any recognized postsecondary credential as defined in section 3(52) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3102(52)), provided through a program included on a state list prepared under section 12(d) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3152(d)).

Apprenticeship Programs: In the case of a Designated Beneficiary's participation in an apprenticeship program registered and certified with the Secretary of Labor, expenses for fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for a Beneficiary's participation in the apprenticeship program ("Registered Apprenticeship Expenses"); and

Repayment of a Qualified Education Loan of a Beneficiary or a Sibling of a Designated Beneficiary: In the case of amounts paid as principal or interest on the qualified education loan of a Designated Beneficiary or a Sibling of the Designated Beneficiary (not to exceed $10,000 per tax year in the aggregate across all qualified tuition programs for a Designated Beneficiary, not taking into account amounts treated as a qualified higher education expense with respect to the loans of a Sibling of the designated beneficiary) ("Qualified Education Loan Expenses"). A qualified education loan generally is an indebtedness incurred solely to pay qualified higher education expenses that were incurred within a reasonable period of time before or after the indebtedness is incurred.

Note that State tax treatment of expenses under the Plan may not be as favorable as Federal tax treatment.

State law determines whether earnings on distributions are taxable for State income tax purposes and whether the State tax deductions for certain contributions are subject to recapture and the Arkansas income tax. For Arkansas State income tax purposes certain apprenticeship program expenses and loan repayments will be treated as a qualified expense effective for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2021. K-12 expenses (other than tuition) and postsecondary credentialing expenses are not currently qualified for state tax purposes and will trigger a deduction recapture under Arkansas tax law. Arkansas residents and taxpayers of other states should consider the tax treatment of their jurisdiction.

The taxpayer has the responsibility to maintain records to document the use of distributions from the Plan associated with these new provisions, and to comply with reporting that may be required.

The Account Owner, Designated Beneficiary, and, if applicable, Sibling of the Designated Beneficiary should each consult with their financial, tax or other advisor to learn more about how federal and state-based tax treatment applies to their specific circumstances.

Qualified U.S. Savings Bond — Series EE bonds issued after December 31, 1989, and Series I bonds.

Qualified Withdrawal — A withdrawal from an Account that is used to pay for Qualified Higher Education Expenses.

"Recognized Postsecondary Credential" beginning July 5, 2025, as defined generally by IRC Section 529(f)(3), includes:

(1) any postsecondary employment credential that is industry recognized and is

  (a) issued by a program that is accredited by the Institute for Credentialing Excellence, the National Commission on Certifying Agencies, or the American National Standards Institute;

(b) any postsecondary employment credential that is included in the Credentialing Opportunities On-Line (COOL) directory of credentialing programs (or successor directory) maintained by the Department of Defense or by any branch of the Armed Forces;

(c) any postsecondary employment credential identified by the Secretary of Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of Labor, as being industry recognized;

(2) any certificate of completion of an apprenticeship that is registered and certified with the Secretary of Labor under the National Apprenticeship Act (29 U.S.C. 50 et seq.);

(3) any occupational or professional license issued or recognized by a State or the Federal Government (and any certification that satisfies a condition for obtaining such license), and

(4) any recognized postsecondary credential as defined in Section 3(52) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3102(52)), provided through an organization listed under Section 122(d) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3152(d)).

"Recognized Postsecondary Credential Program" beginning July 5, 2025 , as defined generally by IRC Section 529(f)(2), includes any program to obtain a recognized postsecondary credential if

(1) such program is included on a State list prepared under Section 122(d) of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (29 U.S.C. 3152(d));

(2) such program is listed in the public director of the Web Enabled Approval Management System (WEAMS) of the Veterans Benefits Administration, or successor directory of such program;

(3) an examination (developed or administered by an organization widely recognized as providing reputable credentials in the occupation) is required to obtain or maintain such credential and such organization recognizes such program as providing training or education which prepares individuals to take such examination; or

(4) such program is identified by the Secretary of Treasury, after consultation with the Secretary of Labor, as being a reputable program for obtaining a Recognized Postsecondary Credential.

Sallie Mae HYSA – A high-yield savings account held at Sallie Mae Bank

Savings Portfolio – An FDIC insured omnibus savings account held in trust by the Committee at Sallie Mae Bank that earns a varying rate of interest. All assets are invested in the Sallie Mae HYSA.

Section 529 — Section 529 of the Code.

Sibling – For the purposes of repayments of Qualified Education Loans, means a brother, sister, stepbrother, or stepsister of the Designated Beneficiary.

Successor Account Owner — The person designated by the Account Owner to assume ownership of the Account in the event of the Account Owner's death. The Successor Account Owner must be a U.S. citizen or resident alien at least 18 years of age, with a valid Social Security number or taxpayer identification number and valid permanent address.

Trust — The Arkansas Brighter Future Fund Plan Trust. This includes the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, which is discussed in this Program Description, and the Brighter Future Direct Plan, which is discussed in a separate program description.

Underlying Fund — Each ETF or mutual fund that is an Underlying Investment.

Underlying Investments — The ETFs, securities, separate accounts, registered mutual funds or other underlying investments in which assets of Portfolios are invested.

Unit — An interest in a Portfolio.

U.S. Military Academy — A United States Military Academy including the United States Naval Academy, the United States Air Force Academy, the United States Coast Guard Academy, or the United States Merchant Marine Academy.

PART I. OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT 529 PLANS AND THE TRUST

Section 529 permits states, state agencies, and Eligible Educational Institutions to sponsor 529 Plans, which are tax advantaged programs intended to help individuals and families save for the future costs of higher education. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan is a 529 Plan sponsored by the State of Arkansas. Even if you do not live in Arkansas, you may invest in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

Prospective Account Owners should consider many factors before deciding to invest in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, including the Plan's investment options and its performance history, its flexibility and features, the reputation and expertise of the Investment Manager, the Maximum Contribution Limit, fees and expenses, and federal and state tax benefits associated with an investment in the Plan.

The Brighter Future Advisor Plan is intended to be used only to save for Qualified Higher Education Expenses. The Plan is not intended to be used, nor should it be used, by any taxpayer for the purpose of evading federal or state taxes or tax penalties. Taxpayers should seek tax advice from an independent tax advisor based on their own particular circumstances.

IMPORTANT LEGAL INFORMATION

Important Information About Opening a New Account

The Brighter Future Advisor Plan is required by federal law to obtain from each person who opens an Account certain personal information – including name, permanent street address, Social Security number or taxpayer identification number, and date of birth among other information – that will be used to verify your identity. If you do not provide us this information, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan will not be able to open your Account. If we are unable to verify your identity, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan reserves the right to close your Account or take other steps we deem reasonable. Closing your Account may result in market loss, tax implications, and other expenses.

State Tax and Other Benefits

Although the Plan allows for investors that are not residents of Arkansas, it should be noted that there are generally significant potential state tax advantages and other benefits, such as matching grant and scholarship opportunities, protection from creditors and exemption from state financial aid calculations for investors who invest in 529 plans in their state of residence. If you are not an Arkansas resident taxpayer, consider before investing whether your or the Designated Beneficiary's home state offers a 529 Plan that will provide you with more of these benefits. Since different states have different tax provisions, this Program Description contains limited generally applicable information about the state tax consequences of investing in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan under Arkansas law. Therefore, please consult your financial, tax, or other advisor to learn more about how state-based benefits (or any limitations) would apply to your specific circumstances. You also may wish to contact your home state's 529 plan(s), or any other 529 plan, to learn more about those plans' features, benefits and limitations. Keep in mind that state-based benefits should be one of many appropriately weighted factors to be considered when making an investment decision.

Investments Are Not Guaranteed or Insured

Generally, investments in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan are not insured or guaranteed. The Savings Portfolio, however, offers FDIC Insurance on a pass-through basis to Account Owners. Investment returns will vary depending upon the performance of the Portfolios you choose. Except to the extent of FDIC insurance available for the Savings Portfolio (subject to the limits described in *PART II – THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - FDIC-INSURED PORTFOLIO*), depending on market conditions, you could lose all or a portion of your investment.

Other 529 Plans Sponsored by the State of Arkansas

The State of Arkansas sponsors two investment programs through the Trust, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan and the Brighter Future Direct Plan. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan, described in this Program Description, is available only through a financial professional. For individuals who are interested in working directly with the Trust to open and invest in an Account, the Trust offers the Direct Plan, which offers investors different investment options, fees and expenses. The Direct Plan is not described in this Program Description. Please call 1-800-587-7301 or visit https://brighterfuturedirect529.com/ for information about the Direct Plan.

The Plan is Not a Mutual Fund or an Exchange Traded Fund

Although money contributed to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan will be invested in Portfolios that hold Underlying Investments including ETFs, neither the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, nor any of the Portfolios, is a mutual fund or an ETF. An investment in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan is an investment in municipal fund securities that are issued and offered by the Trust. These securities are not registered with the SEC or any state. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan's Portfolios are not registered as investment companies with the SEC or any state. By investing in the Plan, you will not own shares of the Underlying Investments.

OPENING AN ACCOUNT

Control Over the Account

Although Contributions to an Account can be made by persons other than the Account Owner, only the Account Owner can control how these assets are invested and used. There can be only one Account Owner per Account. You may name a Successor Account Owner to assume control of the Account upon your death.

No Assignments or Pledges

Neither an Account nor any portion thereof may be assigned, transferred or pledged as security for a loan (including, but not limited to, a loan used to make Contributions to the Account) or otherwise, either by the Account Owner or by the Designated Beneficiary. However, the following transfers may occur, each as described herein:

- You can change the Designated Beneficiary of your Account;
- You may transfer ownership of your Account to a new Account Owner;
- Assets in the Account may be transferred pursuant to a qualified rollover; and
- The Account Ownership can be transferred to a Successor Account Owner.

Any pledge of an interest in an Account will be of no force and effect. Neither an Account nor any legal or beneficial interest in an Account may be subject to attachment, levy or execution by any creditor of an Account Owner or Designated Beneficiary.

Account Application

To open an Account, you and your financial professional must complete an Account Application and submit the Account Application by mail to:

Brighter Future Advisor Plan
P.O. Box 219700
Kansas City, MO 64121-9700

An Account Owner may authorize another individual or entity to exercise his or her rights over an Account or to open an Account through a power of attorney. **By signing the Account Application, you irrevocably consent and agree that the Account is subject to the terms and conditions of this Program Description and the Participation Agreement contained herein. You also consent and agree to authorize your financial professional to access your Account and perform certain transactions on your behalf as set forth in the Account Application.**

The fees and costs applicable to Accounts vary based upon the Portfolio(s) to which Contributions are allocated. See *PART IV - ACCOUNT AND PORTFOLIO FEES AND EXPENSES*.

Identifying an Account Owner

An Account must be in the name of only one person or entity. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan is open to individuals who are U.S. citizens or resident aliens at least 18 years of age with a permanent U.S. address and a valid Social Security number or taxpayer identification number through a financial professional. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan is also available directly to officers, directors, and employees of BlackRock and Ascensus and their affiliates. You must provide the Brighter Future Advisor Plan with a U.S. permanent address that is not a post office box. Corporations and certain other entities, including custodial and trust accounts, may participate in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan (see below). The Account Owner may be the Designated Beneficiary. The Account Owner does not have to be related to the Designated Beneficiary.

Identifying a Designated Beneficiary

On the Account Application, an Account Owner must identify a Designated Beneficiary whose Qualified Higher Education Expenses (in whole or in part) are expected to be paid from the Account. A Designated Beneficiary must be a U.S. citizen or resident alien, and have a valid Social Security number or individual taxpayer identification number. There is no limit on the number of Accounts that can be opened for the same Designated Beneficiary by different Account Owners, subject to the Maximum Contribution Limit. See *PART I - OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT – Maximum Contribution Limit*. The Designated Beneficiary may be the Account Owner or any other individual. The Designated Beneficiary does not have to be related to the Account Owner.

Accounts Opened by Trustees, Custodians, Guardians, and Conservators

An authorized trustee or custodian must be identified if an Account is funded from an existing trust or custodial account. Trustees, custodians, guardians, and conservators opening an Account must provide documentation concerning their authority, and such other matters as may be required (*e.g.*, copies of the applicable governing documents that are acceptable to Ascensus). An Account Owner may authorize another individual or entity to exercise his or her rights over an Account or to open an Account through a power of attorney; however, the Committee and Ascensus reserve the right to take instructions from an Account Owner’s agent only if the Account Owner is incompetent to the extent permitted by applicable law. A copy of the power of attorney must be presented to Ascensus. If applicable, the power of attorney must be durable, and must include other language acceptable to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, including the power to make or revoke gifts. For more information, you can contact a client service representative at 1-888-529-9552.

Tax-Exempt Account Owners

A state or local government, or an organization described in section 501(c)(3) and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of the Code, may establish an Account as part of a scholarship program operated by such government or organization. A tax-exempt Account Owner need not designate a Beneficiary until a scholarship withdrawal is made and may change the Designated Beneficiary of an Account to a person who is not a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary. An Account established by a tax-exempt Account Owner is not subject to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan’s Maximum Contribution Limit, but the cumulative amount of the withdrawals made from such an Account to any one Designated Beneficiary may not exceed the Brighter Future Advisor Plan’s Maximum Contribution Limit for the year in which the latest withdrawal is made.

CONTRIBUTIONS

The Committee establishes, and may change or waive, the minimum initial Contribution limits as it deems appropriate. There is no specific deadline for the use of assets in an Account to pay for Qualified Higher Education Expenses. However, the Committee may establish a maximum duration for the Account. An Account Owner who wants to contribute on behalf of more than one Designated Beneficiary must open a separate Account for each Designated Beneficiary.

Minimum Contribution to Open an Account

- $500 (which includes rollovers and transfers). An Account Owner may allocate a Contribution among any of the Portfolios
- $50 per month or $150 per quarter if you set up a recurring contribution
- $25 per pay period with payroll direct deposit (if offered by your employer)

Minimum Subsequent Contribution to Add to an Account

- $50 for subsequent Contributions
- $50 per month or $150 per quarter with a recurring contribution
- $25 per pay period with payroll direct deposit (if offered by your employer)
- $25 for a Contribution through Ugift®
- $50 for a Contribution through Upromise

Maximum Contribution Limit

You may contribute to an Account for a Designated Beneficiary, provided that the aggregate balance of all accounts for the same Designated Beneficiary (regardless of the Account Owner) under all Section 529 Plans sponsored by the State of Arkansas does not exceed the Maximum Contribution Limit, which is currently $500,000. Accounts that have reached the Maximum Contribution Limit (either alone or combined with other Accounts) may continue to accrue earnings, although future Contributions may not be made to such Accounts. The determination of whether the Maximum Contribution Limit has been reached is based on the aggregate market value of all accounts for the same Designated Beneficiary in the Trust, regardless of who owns the account(s), plus the amount of total Qualified Withdrawals taken from the account(s), and not solely on the aggregate contributions made to the account(s). If, however, the market value of such Account(s) falls below the Maximum Contribution Limit due to market fluctuations and not as a result of Qualified Withdrawals from such Account(s), additional Contributions will be accepted. The Committee may, in its discretion, refuse to accept a proposed Contribution, upon determination that acceptance of such proposed Contribution would not comply with federal or Arkansas state requirements.

None of the Plan Officials will be responsible for any loss, damage, or expense incurred in connection with a rejected or returned Contribution. If a Contribution is applied to a Brighter Future Advisor Plan Account and later determined by the Plan to have caused the aggregate market value of the account(s) for the same Designated Beneficiary in the Trust to exceed the Maximum Contribution Limit, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan will refund all or a portion of such excess Contributions, and any earnings thereon, to the Account Owner. Any refund of an excess Contribution may be treated as a Non-Qualified Withdrawal.

The Committee is required to set the Maximum Contribution Limit for all accounts for the Designated Beneficiary. The Committee expects to evaluate the Maximum Contribution Limit annually but reserves the right to make adjustments more or less frequently. Information concerning the current Maximum Contribution Limit may be obtained through the Program Manager. It is possible that federal law might impose different limits on maximum allowable contributions in the future. The Maximum Contribution Limit does not apply to Accounts maintained for a scholarship program by a state or local government, or an organization described in section 501(c)(3) and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of the Code.

Making Individual Contributions

You may contribute money to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan by any of the following methods: check, third party personal check up to $10,000 payable to an Account Owner or a Designated Beneficiary and properly endorsed to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, recurring contribution, payroll direct deposit, electronic bank transfer ("EBT"), Ugift,® Upromise transfer, or rollover from a 529 Plan. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan will not accept Contributions made with cash, credit cards, money orders, traveler's checks, starter checks, bank courtesy checks, credit card checks, checks drawn on banks located outside the U.S., checks not in U.S. dollars, checks dated more than 180 days prior to the date of receipt, postdated checks, checks with unclear instructions, stocks, securities, or other non-bank account assets.

If you are rolling over assets from another 529 Plan account or transferring assets from a Coverdell Education Savings Account, a Qualified U.S. Savings Bond, or an UGMA/UTMA custodial account, the investment must be liquidated and sent to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

Note: The Brighter Future Advisor Plan may deduct money from your Account for any expenses incurred by the Brighter Future Advisor Plan on your behalf as a result of any check, recurring contribution, or EBT being returned unpaid by the financial institution upon which it is drawn.

Contributions by Check

Please make all checks payable to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. You can send the check to the following address:

Regular Mail:

Brighter Future Advisor Plan
P.O. Box 219700
Kansas City, MO 64121-9700

Expedited Mail:

Brighter Future Advisor Plan
1001 E 101st Terrace, Suite 200
Kansas City, MO 64131

For established Accounts, please include your Account number on the check. Following the receipt of any Contributions, we reserve the right to hold withdrawal requests for seven (7) business days.

Recurring Contribution (an automatic investment plan or AIP)

You may contribute to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan through periodic automatic debits in an amount equal to at least $50 per month or $150 per quarter from a checking or savings account at your bank, if your bank is a member of the Automated Clearing House, subject to certain processing restrictions. You cannot make recurring contributions from a money market mutual fund or cash management account. There is no charge for establishing or maintaining a recurring contribution. Either you or the Brighter Future Advisor Plan may terminate your enrollment in a recurring contribution at any time.

To initiate a recurring contribution during enrollment, complete the appropriate section of the Account Application. You may establish or make changes to a recurring contribution for an existing Account at any time either online at www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com or by submitting the appropriate form. The start date for a recurring contribution must be at least three (3) business days from the start date of submission of the recurring contribution request. If a start date for a recurring contribution is less than three (3) business days from the date of submission of the recurring contribution request the recurring contribution will start on the requested day in the next succeeding month.

Your bank account will be debited on the day you designate, provided the day is a regular business day. If the day you designate falls on a weekend or a holiday, the recurring contribution debit will occur on the next business day. You will receive a trade date of one business day prior to the day the bank debit occurs. For example, if the 15th of every month was selected as the debit date and the 14th and the 15th fall on a business day, then the trade date for the transaction will be the 14th. The first debit of a recurring contribution must be at least three (3) days from the receipt of the recurring contribution request. Quarterly recurring contribution investments will be made on the day indicated every three (3) months, not necessarily on a calendar quarter basis. If no date is designated, your bank account will be debited on the 20th of the month. (If the 20th is not a business day, the debit will be made on the next business day.) If you indicate a start date that is within the first four (4) days of the month, there is a chance that your investment will be credited on the last business day of the previous month. Therefore, the 1st through the 4th of the month are not recommended start dates. Please note that recurring contributions with a debit date of January 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th will be credited in the same year as the debit date.

To be effective, a change to or termination of a recurring contribution must be received by the Brighter Future Advisor Plan at least five (5) business days before the next recurring contribution debit is scheduled to be deducted from your bank account. If your recurring contribution cannot be processed because the bank account on which it is drawn lacks sufficient funds, or because of incomplete or inaccurate information, or if the transaction would violate processing restrictions, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan reserves the right to suspend processing of future recurring contributions.

A program of regular investment cannot assure a profit or protect against a loss in a declining market.

Payroll Direct Deposit

You may be eligible to make automatic Contributions directly from your pay (payroll direct deposit) to your Account. The minimum initial and subsequent payroll direct deposit Contribution is $25 per pay period.

Contributions by payroll direct deposit will only be permitted from employers able to meet the Brighter Future Advisor Plan's operational and administrative requirements. Please check with your employer to see whether you are eligible to contribute to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan through payroll direct deposit. You may set up payroll direct deposit by submitting the appropriate form, which you can obtain online at www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com or by contacting a client service representative at 1-888-529-9552.

A program of regular investment cannot assure a profit or protect against a loss in a declining market.

Electronic Bank Transfer ("EBT")

You may contribute to your Account by giving authorization to make a one-time EBT from your bank checking or savings account, subject to certain processing restrictions, in a minimum amount of $500 for initial Contributions and $50 for subsequent Contributions. To authorize an EBT, you must provide certain information about the bank account from which money will be withdrawn (the same information required to establish a recurring contribution) by completing the appropriate section of the Account Application. You may also provide your bank account information for future transactions either online at www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com or by submitting the appropriate form.

Once you have provided this information, you may request an EBT from the designated bank account to your Account online at www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com or by contacting a client service representative at 1-888-529-9552. There is no charge for requesting an EBT. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan may place a limit on the total dollar amount per day you may contribute to an Account by EBT. Contributions in excess of such limit will be rejected or returned. If you plan to contribute a large dollar amount to your Account by EBT, you may want to contact a client service representative at 1-888-529-9552 to inquire about the current limit prior to making your Contribution.

EBT Contributions that are received in good order by the Brighter Future Advisor Plan before 10:00 p.m. Eastern time will be given the trade date of the next business day following the date of receipt and will be effected at the trade date's NAV for Units of the applicable Portfolio. In such cases, the EBT debit from your bank account will occur on the second business day after the request is received. EBT Contributions that are received in good order by the Brighter Future Advisor Plan after 10:00 p.m. Eastern time will be given a trade date of the second business day after the date the request is received, and will be effected at the trade date's NAV for Units of the applicable Portfolio. In such cases, the EBT debit will occur on the third business day after the request is received. If your EBT Contribution cannot be processed due to the bank account on which it is drawn lacks sufficient funds, or due to incomplete or inaccurate information, or if the transaction would violate processing restrictions, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan reserves the right to suspend processing of future EBT Contributions.

Ugift®

Account Owners may invite family and friends to contribute to their Accounts through Ugift® to provide a gift to the Account Owner's Designated Beneficiary. You provide a unique contribution code to selected family and friends and gift givers can either contribute online through a one-time or recurring electronic bank transfer or by mailing in the gift contribution coupon with a check made payable to Ugift®: Brighter Future Advisor Plan. The minimum Ugift® Contribution is $25.

Gift contributions received in good order will be held for approximately five (5) business days before being transferred into your Account. Gift contributions through Ugift® are subject to the general contribution limitations. Gift contributions will be invested according to the Portfolio allocation on file for the Account at the time the gift contribution is transferred. There may be potential tax consequences of gift contributions to a Brighter Future Advisor Plan Account. You and the gift giver should consult your tax advisor for more information. Ugift® is an optional service, is separate from the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, and is not affiliated with the state of Arkansas. For more information about Ugift®, visit www.ugift529.com or call 1-877-529-2980**.**

Option to Link to Upromise®.

Upromise is a free cash back rewards program for college savers. Account Owners who enroll in the Upromise program can receive cash back rewards on everyday purchases from participating merchants. These rewards may be used to make subsequent Contributions to a Brighter Future Advisor Plan Account. A Upromise account can be linked to a Plan Account, allowing Upromise rewards to automatically transfer to a Plan Account on a periodic basis (generally monthly), subject to a $50 transfer minimum. An Account Owner cannot use cash rewards from a Upromise Program account as the initial funding source for an Account. Upromise is an optional service offered by Upromise, LLC, is separate from the Plan and is not affiliated with the Plan Officials. Upromise is free to join and is administered in accordance with the terms and procedures set forth in the Upromise member agreement (as amended from time to time), which is available on Upromise's website. For more information about Upromise, please visit www.upromise.com.

Incoming Rollover Contributions from Non-Arkansas 529 Plans

You can contribute to your Account with funds transferred from a non-Arkansas 529 Plan, subject to the minimum Contribution requirements of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan and the Maximum Contribution Limit. This transaction is known as a "rollover." You may contribute rollover funds from an account in a non-Arkansas 529 Plan to an Account in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan for the same Designated Beneficiary, if no such rollover to any qualified tuition program for the same Designated Beneficiary has occurred within the previous 12 months. You also may contribute rollover funds from an account in a non-Arkansas 529 Plan for a different Designated Beneficiary, provided that the new Designated Beneficiary is a "Member of the Family" of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary (as defined in *PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT – Member of the Family*). A rollover that does not meet these criteria will be considered a Non-Qualified Withdrawal from the non-Arkansas 529 Plan (see *PART VI - MAKING WITHDRAWALS*) that is subject to applicable federal and state income tax and the Additional 10% Federal Tax. See *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT*.

There may be federal gift tax, estate tax, or Generation-Skipping Transfer ("GST") tax consequences in connection with changing the Designated Beneficiary of a 529 Plan account. Note that if the new Designated Beneficiary belongs to a younger generation than the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary, the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary or the Account Owner may be liable for gift or GST tax. For more information on gift and GST taxes, see *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT - Federal Gift and Estate Taxes*.

Incoming rollovers to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan can be direct or indirect. Direct rollovers involve the transfer of money from a non-Arkansas 529 Plan directly to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. You should be aware that not all non-Arkansas 529 Plans permit direct rollovers of funds. Indirect rollovers involve the transfer of money from an account in a non-Arkansas 529 Plan to the Account Owner, who then contributes the money to an Account in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. To avoid federal income tax consequences, including the imposition of the Additional 10% Federal Tax, money received by an Account Owner in an indirect rollover must be contributed to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan (or another 529 Plan) within 60 days of the withdrawal (and rollovers for the same Designated Beneficiary are subject to the 12-month limitation described above). Additionally, there may be state income tax consequences (and in some cases penalties) from a rollover out of a state's 529 Plan.

You can contribute rollover assets to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan directly (if permitted by your current non-Arkansas 529 Plan) or indirectly, either as an initial Contribution when you open an Account or as an additional Contribution to an existing Account (see *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT - State Tax Treatment*). You will need to provide the Brighter Future Advisor Plan with an account statement or other documentation from the distributing 529 Plan indicating the portion of the rollover attributable to earnings. Until the Brighter Future Advisor Plan receives this documentation, the entire amount of the rollover will be treated as earnings from the distributing 529 Plan, which would be subject to taxation in the case of a Non-Qualified Withdrawal. See *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT*.

Transfer Within the Trust for Same Designated Beneficiary

Under Section 529, you can transfer assets directly between Accounts you own within the Trust for the same Designated Beneficiary, including between the Direct Plan and the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, up to two times per calendar year (subject to the minimum contribution requirements set forth in each Plan). Such a direct transfer is considered an Investment Exchange for federal and state tax purposes and is therefore subject to the restrictions on Investment Exchanges described under *PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT - Changing Investment Options*.

Transfer Within the Trust for Another Designated Beneficiary

Under Section 529, you can transfer assets within the Trust (subject to the minimum contribution requirements set forth in each Plan and the Maximum Contribution Limit), in the Direct Plan or the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, from an Account for one Designated Beneficiary to an Account for another Designated Beneficiary, without federal income taxes or penalty, if the new Designated Beneficiary is a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary. Such a transfer will be permitted only to the extent that the aggregate balance of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan Accounts and the Direct Plan accounts within the Trust for the new Designated Beneficiary, including such transfer, would not exceed the Maximum Contribution Limit. See *PART I - OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT – Maximum Contribution Limit*.

For federal and Arkansas tax purposes, this type of transfer may be done directly between the accounts, without a withdrawal of money from the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, or indirectly, by contributing money to the receiving account within 60 days after the withdrawal from the prior account. See *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT*.

There may be federal gift tax, estate tax, or GST tax consequences in connection with changing the Designated Beneficiary of a 529 Plan account. Note that if the new Designated Beneficiary belongs to a younger generation than the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary, the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary or the Account Owner may be liable for gift or GST tax. For more information on gift and GST taxes, see *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT - Federal Gift and Estate Taxes*.

Making a Rollover from a Coverdell Education Savings Account or Qualified U.S. Savings Bond

Proceeds from a Coverdell Education Savings account (formerly known as an Education IRA) or from the redemption of a Qualified U.S. Savings Bond may be contributed to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. You will need to provide the Brighter Future Advisor Plan with the following documentation:

- In the case of a contribution from a Coverdell Education Savings account: an account statement or other documentation from the financial institution that acted as custodian of the Coverdell Education Savings account that shows the total amount contributed to such account and the earnings in the account.
- In the case of a Contribution from the redemption of a Qualified U.S. Savings Bond: an account statement, a Form 1099-INT, or other documentation from the financial institution that redeemed the Qualified U.S. Savings Bond showing interest from the redemption of the Qualified U.S. Savings Bond.
- Until the Brighter Future Advisor Plan receives this documentation, the entire amount of your Contribution will be treated as earnings for recordkeeping and tax reporting purposes.

Contributions from UGMA/UTMA Custodial Accounts

The Brighter Future Advisor Plan permits a custodian for a minor under the Uniform Gifts to Minors Act or Uniform Transfers to Minors Act (UGMA/UTMA) of any state to apply funds held in an UGMA/ UTMA account to open an Account in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan and act as the Account Owner, subject to the laws of the state under which the UGMA/UTMA account was established. The UGMA/ UTMA account custodian may incur capital gains (or losses) from the sale of non-cash assets held in an UGMA/UTMA account. You should consult a qualified tax advisor with respect to the transfer of UGMA/UTMA custodial assets, and the implications of such a transfer.

UGMA/UTMA custodians should consider the following:

- The custodian Account Owner may make withdrawals only as permitted under UGMA/UTMA as in effect in the state under which the UGMA/UTMA account was established and by the Brighter Future Advisor Plan;
- The custodian Account Owner may not change the Designated Beneficiary of the Account (directly or by means of a rollover distribution), except as permitted under the applicable UGMA/UTMA;
- The custodian should not change the Account Owner to anyone other than a successor custodian during the term of the custodial account under UGMA/UTMA;
- The custodian must notify the Plan when the custodianship terminates and the Designated Beneficiary is legally entitled to take control of the Account. Once you have completed the required forms, the Beneficiary will become the Account Owner and will become subject to the provisions of the Plan applicable to non-UGMA/UTMA Account Owners. Custodians or Designated Beneficiaries will need to complete certain forms at that time to document the termination of the custodianship. If the custodian fails to direct the Plan to transfer ownership of the Account when the Designated Beneficiary is legally entitled to take control of the Account assets, the Plan may freeze the Account and/or refuse to allow the custodian to transact on the Account. Some UGMA/UTMA laws allow for more than one age at which the custodianship terminates ("Age of Termination"). The Plan may freeze the Account based on the youngest allowable Age of Termination of the custodianship according to the UGMA/UTMA laws

where the custodianship account was established, based on the Plan's records. The custodian may be required to provide documentation to the Plan if the Age of Termination of the custodianship account is other than the youngest allowable age under the applicable UMGA/UTMA law, or if the applicable UGMA/UTMA law differs from Plan records; and

- If you want the ability to maintain control of the assets and make Designated Beneficiary changes, please do not make contributions to an UGMA/UTMA account.

The Plan Officials will not be liable for any consequences related to a custodian's improper use, transfer, or characterization of custodial funds.

Recontribution of Refunds from Eligible Educational Institutions

In the event the Designated Beneficiary receives from an Eligible Educational Institution a refund of funds originally withdrawn from a Brighter Future Advisor Plan Account to pay for Qualified Higher Education Expenses, such funds will not be subject to federal income tax or the Additional 10% Federal Tax if they are recontributed to an account in a 529 Plan for the same Designated Beneficiary within 60 days of the date of the refund. For tax purposes, please maintain proper documentation evidencing the refund from the Eligible Educational Institution.

Dollar Cost Averaging

The Dollar Cost Averaging program allows you to regularly transfer a minimum of $200 from one designated investment option in the Plan ("Source Investment Option") to one or more other investment options in the Plan, on either a monthly or quarterly basis. The minimum balance in the Source Investment Option Portfolio must be $2,400 in order to implement the Dollar Cost Averaging program.

When you authorize the Dollar Cost Averaging program you may direct that the entire balance or a portion of the balance of the Source Investment Option be reallocated automatically from the Source Investment Option to one or more other investment option(s) specified by you on a monthly or quarterly basis, beginning on a date selected by you, and continuing until instructed otherwise, or when funds in the Source Investment Option Portfolio are depleted. Alternatively, you may direct that the automatic monthly or quarterly reallocations from the Source Investment Option continue until a date selected by you.

If the Dollar Cost Averaging program is established at the time the Account is opened, it will be considered the initial investment allocation for the Account. Establishing a Dollar Cost Averaging program on an existing investment option will count towards the Investment Exchange limit. Changing or terminating a Dollar Cost Averaging program will also count towards the Investment Exchange limit.

A program of regular investment cannot assure a profit or protect against a loss in a declining market. Since the Dollar Cost Averaging program involves transfers at regular intervals from the Source Investment Option regardless of fluctuating price levels of a Portfolio's Underlying Investments (and resulting fluctuations of the Portfolio's NAV), you should be prepared to continue your program of investing through periods of low price levels and high volatility.

Abandoned and Unclaimed Property

Each state has unclaimed property laws that may require a dormant account to be turned over to the applicable state in the event that there has been no activity on such Account for a period of time or there is failure to cash a distribution check. The applicable state for this purpose is usually determined by the most recent address on file of the Account Owner. If your property is considered abandoned, it may, without proper claim by the Account Owner within a certain period of years, be transferred to the State of Arkansas or your state. Maintaining and ensuring your Account information is up to date will assist the State of Arkansas or your state with properly contacting you should your Account be considered abandoned.

Pricing of Portfolio Units

When you contribute to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, your money will be invested in Units of one or more Portfolios, depending on the investment option(s) you select. Each Portfolio is open for business each day the New York Stock Exchange ("NYSE") is open for trading; however, the Portfolios will be closed for wire purchases and redemptions on days when the Federal Reserve Wire System is closed.

The NAV of each Portfolio is calculated each business day after the close of trading on the NYSE. The NAV is determined by dividing the dollar value of the Portfolio's net assets (*i.e*., total Portfolio assets minus total Portfolio liabilities) by the number of Portfolio Units outstanding. On holidays or other days when the NYSE is closed, the Portfolios' NAV is not calculated, and the Brighter Future Advisor Plan will not process Contributions, withdrawals or Investment Exchanges.

When you purchase or redeem Units of a Portfolio, you will do so at the NAV of the Portfolio's Units on the trade date. Your trade date will be determined as follows:

If the Brighter Future Advisor Plan receives your transaction request (whether to contribute money, withdraw money, or exchange money between investment options) in good order on a business day prior to the close of trading on the NYSE, your transaction will receive that day's trade date using that day's closing market price.

If the Brighter Future Advisor Plan receives your transaction request in good order on a business day after the close of trading on the NYSE or at any time on a non-business day, your transaction will receive the next business day's trade date using that day's closing market price.

As an exception to the two points above, recurring contributions will receive a trade date of the business day before the day the bank debit occurs as described in *PART I - OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT – Recurring Contribution*. See *PART I - OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT – Electronic Bank Transfer ("EBT")* for a description of how the trade date is determined for EBT Contributions.

In the event of Force Majeure (defined in KEY TERMS), the Plan may experience processing delays, which may affect your trade date. In those instances, your actual trade date may be after the trade date you would have received, which may negatively affect the value of your Account.

To the extent that an Underlying Investment in a Portfolio holds securities that trade when the NYSE is closed, a Portfolio's NAV may be affected at times when Account Owners are not able to buy or sell Units. Conversely, there may be days when the Brighter Future Advisor Plan is open for business, but certain securities held in an Underlying Investment by a Portfolio are not traded.

PART II. THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS AND INVESTMENT RISKS

This section addresses in more detail the investment options you can choose in making contributions to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. For more information about any Portfolio, contact a Brighter Future Advisor Plan service representative at 1-888-529-9552.

iSHARES YEAR OF ENROLLMENT PORTFOLIOS

iShares College Portfolio

iShares 2027 College Portfolio

iShares 2030 College Portfolio

iShares 2033 College Portfolio

iShares 2036 College Portfolio

iShares 2039 College Portfolio

iShares 2042 College Portfolio

iSHARES ASSET ALLOCATION PORTFOLIOS

iShares Aggressive Portfolio

iShares Moderate Portfolio

iShares Conservative Portfolio

iShares Fixed Income Portfolio

CUSTOM iSHARES PORTFOLIOS

iShares Russell 1000 Portfolio

iShares Russell 2000 Portfolio

iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market Portfolio

iShares Core High Dividend Equity Portfolio

iShares Core U.S. REIT Portfolio

iShares Core MSCI EAFE Portfolio

iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China Portfolio

iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor Portfolio

iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond Portfolio

iShares TIPS Bond Portfolio

iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond Portfolio

iShares Short Treasury Bond Portfolio

iShares 1-5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio

iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio

iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond Portfolio

FDIC-INSURED PORTFOLIO

Savings Portfolio

iSHARES YEAR-OF-ENROLLMENT PORTFOLIOS

The seven Year-of-Enrollment Portfolios are a simplified approach to college investing. These investment options allow Account Owners to select a Portfolio based upon the Designated Beneficiary's anticipated year of enrollment, rather than the Designated Beneficiary's age. For example, a 20-year-old Designated Beneficiary who expects to attend graduate school in 10 years would invest in the same Year-of-Enrollment Portfolio as an 8-year-old who expects to attend college in 10 years. The asset allocation of the money invested in these investment options is automatically adjusted quarterly over time to become more conservative as the number of years to enrollment for the Designated Beneficiary decreases. This asset allocation methodology is not a guarantee of your investment in the iShares Year-of-Enrollment Portfolios.

Please refer to *APPENDIX B – PORTFOLIO AND UNDERLYING INVESTMENT RISKS* for detailed information regarding the risks associated with investing in the iShares Year-of-Enrollment Portfolios.

As the College Portfolio has already reached its most conservative phase, the broad asset allocations remain constant. About every three years, a new Year-of-Enrollment Portfolio is created and assets of the oldest Year-of-Enrollment Portfolio are folded into the College Portfolio. The year in the Year-of-Enrollment Portfolio's name indicates the year that a Year-of-Enrollment Portfolio will enter its most conservative phase and be folded into the College Portfolio.

Each iShares Year-of-Enrollment Portfolio invests in varying allocations of iShares ETFs that are Underlying Investments. Each iShares Year-of-Enrollment Portfolio may also hold money market funds, such as BlackRock Cash Funds: Institutional and BlackRock Cash Funds: Treasury (each a series of BlackRock Funds III, and collectively, the "BlackRock Cash Funds"), which are advised by BFA.

Currently, all money market fund holdings of the Portfolios are invested in the BlackRock Cash Funds: Treasury (a series of BlackRock Funds III).

The table on the next page shows the target Underlying Investment allocations for the iShares Year-of-Enrollment Portfolios as of April 1, 2026. Since BFA has the ability to change the Underlying Investments, and the allocations among the Underlying Investments, to reflect the current market environment, the actual asset allocations and Underlying Investments will vary. For more current target allocations of the Underlying Investments, please visit www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com. Target asset allocations and Underlying Investment allocations may change from time to time. Actual asset allocations will change with fluctuations in the value of each Underlying Investments.

YEAR-OF-ENROLLMENT PORTFOLIOS

TARGET ALLOCATIONS (AS OF APRIL 1, 2026)*

UNDERLYING INVESTMENTS	ASSET CLASS	COLLEGE	2027	2030	2033	2036	2039	2042
iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock ETF	U.S. Equities (Large Cap)	5.92%	13.98%	26.29%	34.33%	40.57%	45.97%	50.01%
iShares Core MSCI EAFE ETF	International Equities	2.63%	7.33%	16.22%	17.93%	19.28%	21.20%	23.52%
iShares Core MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China ETF	International Equities (Emerging Markets)	0.99%	2.30%	4.72%	6.15%	7.24%	8.21%	9.00%
iShares Core U.S. REIT ETF	Real Estate	0.46%	0.95%	1.92%	2.65%	3.12%	3.60%	4.25%

iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF	Fixed Income	9.27%	42.26%	37.66%	28.85%	22.06%	15.57%	9.79%
iShares TIPS Bond ETF	Fixed Income	1.39%	6.33%	5.65%	4.32%	3.31%	2.33%	1.47%
iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF	Fixed Income	0.00%	0.00%	7.54%	5.77%	4.42%	3.12%	1.96%
iShares Short Treasury Bond ETF	Fixed Income	37.58%	12.72%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
iShares 1-3 Year Treasury Bond ETF	Fixed Income	41.76%	14.13%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

** The allocation percentages referenced above may not add to, or may exceed, 100% due to rounding. From time to time the Plan may maintain an amount of cash or cash equivalents to meet liquidity needs.*

Portfolio	**Investment Objective**	**Principal Investment Strategy**	**Principal Risks**
iShares College Portfolio	The portfolio is designed for investors who are seeking income and capital preservation. The iShares College Portfolio has the most conservative investment allocation of the Year-of-Enrollment Portfolios and is intended to be used by investors who are in the process of withdrawing assets or anticipate withdrawing assets in the near future.	The iShares College Portfolio currently intends to hold about 10% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Equity, <1% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Real Estate, 48% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Fixed Income, and 42% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Cash.	*The following risks apply to the iShares College Portfolio and the iShares 2027 College Portfolio:* *Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Call Risk* *Commodity Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk* *Credit Risk* *Currency Risk* *Custody Risk* *Dividend-Paying Stock Risk* *Equity Securities Risk* *Extension Risk* *Financial Companies Risk* *High Portfolio Turnover Risk* *Income Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Industrial Companies Risk* *Inflation-Indexed Bonds Risk* *Interest Rate Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Large-Capitalization Companies Risk* *Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk* *National Closed Market Trading Risk* *Non-U.S. Securities Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Prepayment Risk* *Real Estate Companies Risk* *Reliance on Trading Partners Risk*
iShares 2027 College Portfolio	The portfolio is designed for investors expecting to begin withdrawing assets around the year 2027.	The iShares 2027 College Portfolio currently intends to hold about 24% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Equities, 1% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Real Estate, 61% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Fixed Income, and 14% of its assets in Underlying	

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Risk of Investing in Emerging Markets
Risk of Investing in India
Risk of Investing in Japan
Risk of Investing in Russia
Risk of Investing in Saudi Arabia
Risk of Investing in Taiwan
Risk of Investing in the United States
Securities Lending Risk
Technology Companies Risk
Tracking Error Risk
U.S. Agency Mortgage-Backed-Securities Risk
U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk
Valuation Risk</td></tr>
<tr><td>iShares 2030 College Portfolio</td><td>The portfolio is designed for investors expecting to begin withdrawing assets around the year 2030.</td><td>The iShares 2030 College Portfolio currently intends to hold about 47% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Equities, 2% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Real Estate, and the remaining 51% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Fixed Income. This asset allocation is adjusted quarterly.</td><td rowspan="3">The following risks apply to the iShares 2030 College Portfolio, iShares 2033 College Portfolio, iShares 2036 College Portfolio, iShares 2039 College Portfolio, and iShares 2042 College Portfolio:

Asset Class Risk
Authorized Participant Concentration Risk
Call Risk
Commodity Risk
Concentration Risk
Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk
Credit Risk
Currency Risk
Custody Risk
Dividend-Paying Stock Risk
Equity Securities Risk
Extension Risk
Financial Companies Risk
Income Risk
Index-Related Risk
Industrial Companies Risk
Inflation-Indexed Bonds Risk
Interest Rate Risk
Issuer Risk
Large-Capitalization Companies Risk
Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk
Management Risk
Market Risk
Market Trading Risk
Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk
National Closed Market Trading Risk
Non-U.S. Securities Risk
Operational and Technology Risk
Prepayment Risk
Real Estate Companies Risk
Reliance on Trading Partners Risk
Risk of Investing in China
Risk of Investing in the China Bond Market
Risk of Investing in Developed Countries</td></tr>
<tr><td>iShares 2033 College Portfolio</td><td>The portfolio is designed for investors expecting to begin withdrawing assets around the year 2033.</td><td>The iShares 2033 College Portfolio currently intends to hold about 58% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Equities, 3% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Real Estate, and the remaining 39% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Fixed Income. This asset allocation is adjusted quarterly.</td></tr>
<tr><td>iShares 2036 College Portfolio</td><td>The portfolio is designed for investors expecting to begin withdrawing assets</td><td>The iShares 2036 College Portfolio currently intends to hold about 67% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Equities, 3% of</td></tr>
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	around the year 2036.	its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Real Estate, and the remaining 30% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Fixed Income. This asset allocation is adjusted quarterly.	*Risk of Investing in Emerging Markets* *Risk of Investing in India* *Risk of Investing in Japan* *Risk of Investing in Russia* *Risk of Investing in Saudi Arabia* *Risk of Investing in Taiwan* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Technology Companies Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *U.S. Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk* *U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk* *Valuation Risk*
iShares 2039 College Portfolio	The portfolio is designed for investors expecting to begin withdrawing assets around the year 2039.	The iShares 2039 College Portfolio currently intends to hold about 75% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Equities, 4% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Real Estate, and the remaining 21% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Fixed Income. This asset allocation is adjusted quarterly.	
iShares 2042 College Portfolio	The portfolio is designed for investors expecting to begin withdrawing assets around the year 2042.	The iShares 2042 College Portfolio currently intends to hold about 83% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Equities, 4% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Real Estate, and the remaining 13% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Fixed Income. This asset allocation is adjusted quarterly.	

iSHARES ASSET ALLOCATION PORTFOLIOS

With the four Asset Allocation Portfolios, you can select the Portfolio or mix of Portfolios that best fits your risk tolerance. Each Asset Allocation Portfolio is invested in multiple Underlying Investments and has a pre-determined asset allocation that remains generally fixed. The asset allocations will be reviewed at least annually and may be updated to take into account changes in risk and correlations of the asset classes and Underlying Investments. This asset allocation methodology is not a guarantee of your investment in the iShares Asset Allocation Portfolios. Please refer to *APPENDIX B – PORTFOLIO AND UNDERLYING INVESTMENT RISKS* for detailed information regarding the risks associated with investing in the iShares Asset Allocation Portfolios.

Each iShares Asset Allocation Portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in Underlying Investments comprised of iShares ETFs. Each iShares Asset Allocation Portfolio may also hold money market funds, such as the BlackRock Cash Funds.

All money market fund holdings and all future investments of the Year-of-Enrollment and Asset Allocation Portfolios in money market funds will be invested in the BlackRock Cash Funds: Treasury series.

The table on the next page shows the target Underlying Investment allocations for the iShares Asset Allocation Portfolios as of April 1, 2026. Since BFA has the ability to change the Underlying Investments, and the allocations among the Underlying Investments, to reflect the current market environment, the actual asset allocations and Underlying Investments will vary. For more current target allocations of the Underlying Investments, please visit www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com. Target asset allocations and Underlying Investment allocations may change from time to time. Actual asset allocations will change with fluctuations in the value of each Underlying Investment.

UNDERLYING INVESTMENTS	ASSET CLASS	iSHARES AGGRESSIVE PORTFOLIO	iSHARES MODERATE PORTFOLIO	iSHARES CONSERVATIVE PORTFOLIO	iSHARES FIXED INCOME PORTFOLIO
iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock ETF	U.S. Equities	51.80%	36.66%	16.34%	51.80%
iShares Core MSCI EAFE ETF	International Equities	25.02%	14.30%	2.41%	25.02%
iShares Core MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China ETF	International Equities	9.04%	6.40%	1.25%	9.04%
iShares Core U.S. REIT ETF	Real Estate	4.14%	2.64%	0.00%	4.14%
iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF	Fixed Income	8.70%	34.79%	69.56%	8.70%
iShares TIPS Bond ETF	Fixed Income	1.30%	5.21%	10.44%	1.30%

**The allocation percentages referenced above may not add to, or may exceed, 100% due to rounding.*

Portfolio	Investment Objective	Principal Investment Strategy	Principal Risks
iShares Aggressive Portfolio	The portfolio is designed for investors tolerant of greater risk than is expected of the iShares Moderate and Conservative portfolios, and seeking aggressive long-term growth of capital.	The iShares Aggressive Portfolio currently intends to hold about 86% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Equities, 4% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Real Estate, and the remaining 10% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Fixed Income. This asset allocation is reviewed and may be updated annually.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Call Risk* *Commodity Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk* *Credit Risk* *Currency Risk* *Custody Risk* *Dividend-Paying Stock Risk* *Equity Securities Risk* *Extension Risk* *Financial Companies Risk* *Income Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Industrial Companies Risk* *Inflation-Indexed Bonds Risk* *Interest Rate Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Large-Capitalization Companies Risk* *Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk* *National Closed Market Trading Risk* *Non-U.S. Securities Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Prepayment Risk* *Real Estate Companies Risk* *Reliance on Trading Partners Risk* *Risk of Investing in China* *Risk of Investing in the China Bond Market* *Risk of Investing in Developed Countries* *Risk of Investing in Emerging Markets* *Risk of Investing in India* *Risk of Investing in Japan* *Risk of Investing in Russia* *Risk of Investing in Saudi Arabia* *Risk of Investing in Taiwan* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Technology Companies Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *U.S. Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk* *U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk* *Valuation Risk*
iShares Moderate Portfolio	The portfolio is designed for investors tolerant of moderate risk and seeking long-term growth of capital	The iShares Moderate Portfolio currently intends to hold about 57% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Equities, 3% of its assets in Underlying	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Call Risk* *Commodity Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk*

	and moderate income.	Investments that invest primarily in Real Estate, and the remaining 40% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Fixed Income. This asset allocation is reviewed and may be updated annually.	*Credit Risk* *Currency Risk* *Custody Risk* *Dividend-Paying Stock Risk* *Equity Securities Risk* *Extension Risk* *Financial Companies Risk* *Income Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Industrial Companies Risk* *Inflation-Indexed Bonds Risk* *Interest Rate Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Large-Capitalization Companies Risk* *Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk* *National Closed Market Trading Risk* *Non-U.S. Securities Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Prepayment Risk* *Real Estate Companies Risk* *Reliance on Trading Partners Risk* *Risk of Investing in China* *Risk of Investing in the China Bond Market* *Risk of Investing in Developed Countries* *Risk of Investing in Emerging Markets* *Risk of Investing in India* *Risk of Investing in Japan* *Risk of Investing in Russia* *Risk of Investing in Saudi Arabia* *Risk of Investing in Taiwan* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Technology Companies Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *U.S. Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk* *U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk* *Valuation Risk*
iShares Conservative Portfolio	The portfolio is designed for investors tolerant of lower risk and lower opportunity for growth than is expected of the iShares Aggressive and Moderate Portfolios and seeking income. As a secondary objective, the Portfolio also seeks	The iShares Conservative Portfolio currently intends to hold about 20% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Equities, and the remaining 80% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Fixed Income. This asset allocation is reviewed and may be updated annually.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Call Risk* *Commodity Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk* *Credit Risk* *Currency Risk* *Custody Risk* *Equity Securities Risk* *Extension Risk* *Financial Companies Risk* *Income Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Industrial Companies Risk*

	long-term growth of capital.		*Inflation-Indexed Bonds Risk* *Interest Rate Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Large-Capitalization Companies Risk* *Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk* *National Closed Market Trading Risk* *Non-U.S. Securities Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Prepayment Risk* *Reliance on Trading Partners Risk* *Risk of Investing in China* *Risk of Investing in China Bond Market* *Risk of Investing in Developed Countries* *Risk of Investing in Emerging Markets* *Risk of Investing in India* *Risk of Investing in Japan* *Risk of Investing in Russia* *Risk of Investing in Saudi Arabia* *Risk of Investing in Taiwan* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Technology Companies Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *U.S. Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk* *U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk* *Valuation Risk*
iShares Fixed Income Portfolio	The portfolio is designed for investors seeking income and capital preservation.	The iShares Fixed Income Portfolio intends to hold 100% of its assets in Underlying Investments that invest primarily in Fixed Income. This asset allocation is reviewed and may be updated annually.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Risk* *Call Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Credit Risk* *Extension Risk* *High Portfolio Turnover Risk* *Income Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Inflation-Indexed Bonds Risk* *Interest Rate* *Issuer Risk* *Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Prepayment Risk* *Risk of Investing in China* *Risk of Investing in the China Bond Market* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *U.S. Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk* *U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk* *Valuation Risk*

CUSTOM iSHARES PORTFOLIOS

With Custom iShares Portfolios, you can select among fifteen individual Portfolios to design your own personalized investment mix, or to complement your Year-of-Enrollment or Asset Allocation Portfolio selections. Each Custom iShares Portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in a single iShares ETF Underlying Investment. Each Custom iShares Portfolio may also hold money market funds, such as the BlackRock Cash Funds.

CUSTOM iSHARES PORTFOLIO	ASSET CLASS	UNDERLYING INVESTMENT(S)
iShares Russell 1000 Portfolio	U.S. Equities (Large Cap)	iShares Russell 1000 ETF
iShares Russell 2000 Portfolio	U.S. Equities (Small Cap)	iShares Russell 2000 ETF
iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market Portfolio	U.S. Equities	iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market ETF
iShares Core High Dividend Portfolio	U.S. Equities	iShares Core High Dividend ETF
iShares Core U.S. REIT Portfolio	Real Estate	iShares Core U.S. REIT ETF
iShares Core MSCI EAFE Portfolio	International Equities (Developed Markets)	iShares Core MSCI EAFE ETF
iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China Portfolio	International Equities (Emerging Markets)	iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ETF
iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor Portfolio	International Equities (Developed Markets)	iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor ETF
iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond Portfolio	Fixed Income	iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF
iShares TIPS Bond Portfolio	Fixed Income	iShares TIPS Bond ETF
iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond Portfolio	Fixed Income	iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF
iShares Short Treasury Bond Portfolio	Fixed Income	iShares Short Treasury Bond ETF
iShares 1-5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	Fixed Income	iShares 1-5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF
iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	Fixed Income	iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF
iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond Portfolio	Fixed Income	iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond ETF

The investment objective of each Custom iShares Portfolio is briefly summarized below. Additional investment strategy information is listed in <u>*APPENDIX A - UNDERLYING INVESTMENTS*</u>*.* The investment objective, investment strategies and investment risks of an Underlying Fund may change at any time, without the consent of, or notice to, an Account Owner. Please refer to <u>*APPENDIX B – PORTFOLIO AND UNDERLYING INVESTMENT RISKS*</u> for detailed information regarding the risks associated with investing in the Custom iShares Portfolios.

Portfolio Name	**Principal Investment Strategy**	**Principal Risks**
iShares Russell 1000 Portfolio	The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares Russell 1000 ETF, which seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of large- and mid-capitalization U.S. equities, the Russell 1000® Index (the portfolio's underlying index). The underlying index is a float-adjusted capitalization-weighted index of equity securities issues by the approximately 1,007 largest issuers in the Russell 3000 Index, which measures the performance of the broad U.S. equity market, as defined by the index provider. As of March 31, 2025, the underlying index included issuers representing approximately 95% of the market capitalization of all publicly-traded U.S. equity securities. The components of the underlying index are likely to change over time. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares Russell 1000 ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the iShares Russell 1000 ETF.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Equity Securities* *Index-Related Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Large-Capitalization Companies Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Technology Companies Risk* *Tracking Error Risk*
iShares Russell 2000 Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of small-capitalization U.S. equities, the Russell 2000® Index (the portfolio's underlying index). The underlying index is a float-adjusted capitalization-weighted index of equity securities issued by the approximately 1,953 smallest issuers in the Russell 3000 Index, which measures the performance of the broad U.S. equity market, as defined by the index provider. As of March 31, 2025, the underlying index included issuers representing approximately 5% of the total market capitalization of all publicly-traded U.S. equity securities. The components of the underlying index are likely to change over time. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares Russell 2000 ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the iShares Russell 2000 ETF.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Equity Securities Risk* *Financial Companies Risk* *Healthcare Companies Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Industrial Companies Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Small-Capitalization Companies Risk* *Tracking Error Risk*
iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of a broad-based index composed of U.S. equities, the S&P Total Market Index™ (the portfolio's underlying index). The underlying index is comprised of the common equities included in the S&P 500® and the S&P Completion Index™. The underlying index consists of all U.S. common equities listed on the New York Stock Exchange (including NYSE Arca, Inc. and NYSE American), the NASDAQ Global Select Market, the NASDAQ Select Market, the NASDAQ Capital Market and Investors Exchange, Cboe BZX, Cboe BYX, Cboe	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Equity Securities Risk* *Financial Companies Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Large-Capitalization Companies Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk*

	EDGA and Cboe EDGX, Inc. The securities in the underlying index are weighted based on the float-adjusted market value of their outstanding shares. Securities with higher total float-adjusted market value have a larger representation in the underlying index. The underlying index includes large-, mid-, small- and micro-capitalization companies. As of March 31, 2025, a significant portion of the Underlying Index was represented by securities of companies in the financials and technology industries or sectors. The components of the Underlying Index are likely to change over time. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market ETF.	*Risks of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Technology Companies Risk* *Tracking Error Risk*
iShares Core High Dividend Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of relatively high dividend paying U.S. equities, the Morningstar® Dividend Yield Focus Index℠ (the portfolio's underlying index). The underlying index offers exposure to high quality U.S.-domiciled companies that have had strong financial health and an ability to sustain above average dividend payouts. The underlying index constituents are drawn from the pool of stocks issued by U.S. based companies that trade publicly on the New York Stock Exchange, the NYSE Amex Equities, or The NASDAQ Stock Market. The underlying index is a subset of the Morningstar® US Market Index℠ (a diversified broad market index that represents approximately 97% of the market capitalization of publicly-traded U.S. stocks). The underlying index is comprised of qualified income paying securities that are screened for superior company quality and financial health as determined by Morningstar, Inc.'s proprietary index methodology. Stocks in the underlying index represent the top 75 yielding stocks meeting the screening requirements. The components of the underlying index are likely to change over time. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares Core High Dividend ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the iShares Core High Dividend ETF.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk* *Dividing-Paying Stock Risk* *Energy Companies Risk* *Equity Securities Risk* *Healthcare Companies Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Large-Capitalization Companies Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Non-Diversification Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Tracking Error Risk*
iShares Core U.S. REIT Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. real estate equities, the FTSE Nareit Equity REITs Index (the portfolio's underlying index). The underlying index measures the performance of U.S. listed equity real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), excluding infrastructure REITs, mortgage REITs, and timber REITs. As of April 30, 2025, the underlying index is represented by the securities of 132 REITs, which invest in U.S. real estate markets and may invest in non-U.S. real estate markets. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares Core U.S. REIT ETF. BFA uses a	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Dividend-Paying Stock Risk* *Equity Securities Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Large-Capitalization Companies Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk*

	representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the iShares Core U.S. REIT ETF.	*Real Estate Companies Risk* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Tracking Error Risk*
iShares Core MSCI EAFE Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of large-, mid- and small-capitalization developed market equities, excluding the U.S. and Canada, the MSCI EAFE IMI Index (the portfolio's underlying index). The underlying index has been developed by MSCI Inc. as an equity benchmark for international stock performance. The underlying index is a free float-adjusted, market capitalization-weighted index designed to measure large-, mid- and small-capitalization equity market performance and includes stocks from Europe, Australasia and the Far East. Investment. As of July 31, 2025, a significant portion of the Underlying Index is represented by securities of companies in the consumer goods and services, financials, and industrials industries or sectors. The components of the underlying index are likely to change over time. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares Core MSCI EAFE ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage iShares Core MSCI EAFE ETF.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk* *Currency Risk* *Equity Securities Risk* *Financial Companies Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Industrial Companies Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Large-Capitalization Companies Risk* *Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk* *National Closed Market Trading Risk* *Non-U.S. Securities Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Reliance on Trading Partners Risk* *Risk of Investing in China* *Risk of Investing in Developed Countries* *Risk of Investing in Japan* *Securities Lending Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *Valuation Risk*
iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of the MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China Index, an index composed of large- and mid-capitalization emerging market equities, excluding China. The Fund seeks to track the investment results of the MSCI Emerging Markets ex China Index (the "Underlying Index"), which is designed to measure equity market performance in global emerging markets (with the exception of China). The Underlying Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization-weighted index that captures large- and mid-capitalization stocks across 23 of the 24 emerging markets countries (as defined by MSCI Inc. (the "Index Provider" or "MSCI")), excluding China. The Underlying Index covers approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization of each of the following countries: Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Greece, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Kuwait, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates. As of August 31, 2025, a significant portion of the Underlying Index is represented by securities of companies in the financials and technology industries or sectors. The	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Commodity Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Currency Risk* *Custody Risk* *Equity Securities Risk* *Financial Companies Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Large-Capitalization Companies Risk* *Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk* *National Closed Market Trading Risk* *Non-U.S. Securities Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Reliance on Trading Partners Risk* *Risk of Investing in Emerging Markets* *Risk of Investing in India* *Risk of Investing in Russia* *Risk of Investing in Saudi Arabia*

	components of the Underlying Index are likely to change over time. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China ETF.	*Risk of Investing in Taiwan* *Securities Lending Risk* *Technology Companies Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *Valuation Risk*
iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of developed market equities that, in the aggregate, have lower volatility characteristics relative to the broader developed equity markets, excluding the U.S. and Canada, the MSCI EAFE Minimum Volatility (USD) Index (the portfolio's underlying index). The underlying index has been developed by MSCI Inc. to measure the performance of international equity securities (excluding the U.S. and Canada) that in the aggregate have lower volatility relative to the MSCI EAFE Index (the "Parent Index"), which is a capitalization-weighted index. The underlying index includes stocks from Europe, Australasia, the Middle East, and the Far East. The components of the underlying index are likely to change over time. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor ETF.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Currency Risk* *Equity Securities Risk* *Financial Companies Risk* *Healthcare Companies Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Industrial Companies Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Large-Capitalization Companies Risk* *Low Volatility Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk* *National Closed Market Trading Risk* *Non-U.S. Securities Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Reliance on Trading Partners Risk* *Risk of Investing in Developed Countries* *Risk of Investing in Japan* *Securities Lending Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *Valuation Risk*
iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of the total U.S. investment-grade bond market, the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Aggregate Bond Index (the portfolio's underlying index). The underlying index measures the performance of the total U.S. investment grade (as determined by Bloomberg Index Services Limited) bond market, which includes investment-grade U.S. Treasury bonds, government-related bonds, corporate bonds, mortgage-backed pass-through securities, commercial mortgage-backed securities and asset-backed securities that are publicly offered for sale in the United States. The components of the underlying index are likely to change over time. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Risk* *Call Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Credit Risk* *Extension Risk* *Income Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Interest Rate Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Prepayment Risk* *Risk of Investing in China* *Risk of Investing in the China Bond Market* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *U.S. Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk*

		U.S. Treasury Obligations *Valuation Risk*
iShares TIPS Bond Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of inflation-protected U.S. Treasury bonds, the Bloomberg Barclays U.S. Treasury Inflation Protected Securities (TIPS) Index (Series-L) (the portfolio's underlying index). The underlying index measures the performance of the inflation-protected public obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commonly known as "TIPS." TIPS are securities issued by the U.S. Treasury that are designed to provide inflation protection to investors. The underlying index includes all publicly-issued U.S. Treasury inflation-protected securities that have at least one year remaining to maturity, are rated investment-grade (as determined by Bloomberg Index Services Limited) and have $300 million or more of outstanding face value, excluding amounts held by the Federal Reserve System (the "Fed") Open Market Account or bought at issuance by the Fed. In addition, the securities in the underlying index must be denominated in U.S. dollars and must be fixed-rate and non-convertible. The underlying index is market capitalization-weighted. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares TIPS Bond ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the TIPS Bond ETF.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Income Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Inflation-Indexed Bonds Risk* *Interest Rate* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk*
iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. Treasury bonds with remaining maturities greater than twenty years, the ICE U.S. Treasury 20+ Year Bond Index (the portfolio's underlying index). The underlying index consists of publicly-issued U.S. Treasury securities that have a remaining maturity greater than or equal to 20 years and have $300 million or more of outstanding face value, excluding amounts held by the Fed. In addition, the securities in the index must be fixed-rate and denominated in U.S. dollars. Excluded from the index are inflation-linked securities, Treasury bills, cash management bills, any government agency debt issued with or without a government guarantee and zero-coupon issues that have been stripped from coupon-paying bonds. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Income Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Interest Rate Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk*
iShares Short Treasury Bond Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. Treasury bonds with remaining maturities of one year or less, the ICE Short US Treasury Securities Index (the portfolio's underlying index). The underlying index measures the performance of public obligations of the U.S. Treasury that have a remaining maturity of less than or equal to one year. In addition, the securities in the underlying index must have a fixed coupon schedule and be	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Concentration Risk* *High Portfolio Turnover Risk* *Income Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Interest Rate Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Management Risk*

	denominated in U.S. dollars. Excluded from the index are inflation-linked debt, cash management bills, and zero-coupon bonds that have been stripped from coupon-paying bonds. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares Short Treasury Bond ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the iShares Short Treasury Bond ETF.	*Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk*
iShares 1 – 5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. dollar-denominated, investment-grade corporate bonds with remaining maturities between one and five years, the ICE BofA 1-5 Year US Corporate Index (the portfolio's underlying index). The underlying index consists of investment-grade corporate bonds of both U.S. and non-U.S. issuers that have a remaining maturity of greater than or equal to one year and less than five years, have been publicly issued in the U.S. domestic market, and have $250 million or more of outstanding face value. In addition, the securities in the Underlying Index must be denominated in U.S. dollars and must be fixed-rate. Excluded from the underlying index are equity-linked securities, securities in legal default, hybrid securitized corporate bonds, Eurodollar bonds (U.S. dollar-denominated securities not issued in the U.S. domestic market), taxable and tax-exempt U.S. municipal securities and dividends-received-deduction-eligible securities. The components of the underlying index are likely to change over time. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares 1-5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the iShares 1-5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Call Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Credit Risk* *Currency Risk* *Financial Companies Risk* *Income Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Interest Rate Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *National Closed Market Trading Risk* *Non-U.S. Securities Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Privately Issued Securities Risk* *Reliance on Trading Partners Risk* *Risk of Investing in China* *Risk of Investing in the China Bond Market* *Risk of Investing in Developed Countries* *Risk of Investing in Russia* *Risk of Investing in Saudi Arabia* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *Valuation Risk*

iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. dollar-denominated, investment-grade corporate bonds, the Markit iBoxx® USD Liquid Investment Grade Index (the portfolio's underlying index). The fund seeks to track the investment results of the underlying index. The fund generally invests at least 90% of its assets in component securities of the underlying index and at least 95% of its assets in investment-grade corporate bonds. The underlying index is designed to provide a broad representation of the U.S. dollar-denominated liquid investment-grade corporate bond market. The underlying index is a rules-based index consisting of U.S. dollar-denominated, investment-grade corporate bonds for sale in the U.S. The underlying index is a modified market-value weighted index with a cap on each issuer of 3%. There is no limit to the number of issues in the underlying index. The components of the underlying index are likely to change over time. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Call Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk* *Credit Risk* *Financial Companies Risk* *Income Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Interest Rate Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Risk of Investing in China* *Risk of Investing in China Bond Market* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *Valuation Risk*
iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond Portfolio	The portfolio seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. dollar-denominated, high yield corporate bonds, the Markit iBoxx USD Liquid High Yield Index (the portfolio's underlying index). The underlying index is designed to provide a broad representation of the U.S. dollar-denominated liquid high yield corporate bond market. The underlying index is a modified market-value weighted index with a cap on each issuer of 3%. There is no limit to the number of issues in the underlying index. The components of the underlying index are likely to change over time. The portfolio invests substantially all of its assets in the iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond ETF. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond ETF.	*Asset Class Risk* *Authorized Participant Concentration Risk* *Call Risk* *Concentration Risk* *Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk* *Credit Risk* *High Yield Securities Risk* *Income Risk* *Index-Related Risk* *Interest Rate Risk* *Issuer Risk* *Management Risk* *Market Risk* *Market Trading Risk* *Operational and Technology Risk* *Privately Issued Securities Risk* *Risk of Investing in the United States* *Securities Lending Risk* *Tracking Error Risk* *Valuation Risk*

FDIC-INSURED PORTFOLIO

Savings Portfolio

Investment Objective

The Portfolio seeks income consistent with the preservation of principal.

Principal Investment Strategy

The Savings Portfolio invests 100% of its assets in the Sallie Mae HYSA, a Sallie Mae High-Yield Savings Account (a "HYSA"). The HYSA is held in an omnibus high yield savings account insured (as described below) by the FDIC, which is held in trust by the Committee at Sallie Mae Bank.

Investments in the Savings Portfolio earn a varying rate of interest. Interest on the HYSA will be compounded daily based on the actual number of days in a year (typically, 365/365 and 366/366 in leap years) and will be credited to the HYSA on a monthly basis. The interest rate is expressed as an Annual Percentage Yield ("APY"). The HYSA APY will be reviewed by Sallie Mae Bank on a periodic basis and may be recalculated as needed at any time. To see the current Savings Portfolio APY, please visit www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com or call the Brighter Future Advisor Plan at 1-888-529-9552.

Investments in the Savings Portfolio are pooled into the FDIC-insured omnibus savings account held in trust by the Committee at Sallie Mae Bank. Subject to the application of Sallie Mae Bank and FDIC rules and regulations to each Account Owner, funds in the Savings Portfolio will retain their value as described below under "FDIC Insurance."

FDIC Insurance

Except for the Savings Portfolio, investments in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan are **not** insured by the FDIC.

Neither your contributions to an Account nor any investment return earned on your contributions are guaranteed by Plan Officials. FDIC insurance is provided for the Savings Portfolio only, which invests in an FDIC-insured omnibus savings account held in trust by the Committee at Sallie Mae Bank. Contributions to and earnings on the investments in the Savings Portfolio are insured by the FDIC on a pass-through basis to each Account Owner up to $250,000, the maximum amount set by federal law. The amount of FDIC insurance provided to an Account Owner is based on the total of: (a) the value of an Account Owner's investment in the Savings Portfolio; and (b) the value of all other accounts held by the Account Owner at Sallie Mae Bank, as determined by Sallie Mae Bank and FDIC regulations. Plan Officials are not responsible for determining how an Account Owner's investment in the Savings Portfolio will be aggregated with other accounts held by the Account Owner at Sallie Mae Bank for purposes of the FDIC insurance.

No Other Guarantees

There is no other insurance and there are no other guarantees for the Savings Portfolio. Therefore, like all of the Portfolios, neither your contributions into the Savings Portfolio nor any investment return earned on your contributions are guaranteed by Plan Officials. In addition, the Savings Portfolio does not provide a guarantee of any level of performance or return.

Investment Risks

To the extent that FDIC insurance applies, the Portfolio is primarily subject to income risk.

PLAN AND PORTFOLIO RISKS AND OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Understanding Plan Risks

You should carefully consider the information in this section, as well as the other information in the Program Description, before making any decisions about opening an Account or making any additional contributions. You should consult an attorney or a qualified financial or tax advisor with any legal, business, or tax questions you may have. We are not providing investment recommendations or advice. The contents of the Program Description should not be construed as legal, financial, or tax advice.

Investing in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan involves certain risks, including the possibility that you may lose money over short or long periods. In addition, certain Portfolios carry more and/or different risk than others. You should weigh these risks with the understanding that they could arise at any time during the life of your Account. In addition to the investment risks of the Portfolios, described in *APPENDIX B – PORTFOLIO AND UNDERLYING INVESTMENT RISKS*, there are certain risks relating to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan generally. These risks are described below.

Investment Risk. Accounts are subject to a variety of investment risks that will vary depending upon the selected Portfolio and the Underlying Investments of that Portfolio. In choosing the appropriate Portfolio, you should consider your financial status, tax situation, risk tolerance, age, investment goals, time horizons of you or your Beneficiary, and other factors you determine to be important. Certain Portfolios carry more and/or different risks than others. See *APPENDIX B – UNDERLYING PORTFOLIO AND INVESTMENT RISKS* for a summary of the investment objective and principal risks of each Underlying Investment. Please remember that the information is only a summary of the main risks of each Underlying Investment. This information has been provided by BlackRock (except for the Savings Portfolio which has been supplied by Sallie Mae Bank). The prospectus and statement of additional information for the applicable Underlying Investments may contain additional risks. You can request a copy of the current prospectus, statement of additional information, or the most recent semiannual or annual report of any Underlying Investment, except the Savings Portfolio, by visiting BlackRock's website at www.blackrock.com or by calling 1-888-529-9552.

Market Uncertainties and Other Events. Due to market uncertainties, the overall market value of your Account may exhibit volatility and could be subject to general economic conditions affecting market stability, including Force Majeure events (defined in *KEY TERMS*). All of these factors may cause the value of an Account to decrease (realized or unrealized losses) regardless of the Plan's investment strategy for any Investment Option(s) in which an Account is invested or any systematic investing on the part of a Participant, including recurring contributions and payroll direct deposits. There is no assurance that any Investment Option will achieve its goals. For additional information on the risks that may affect an Investment Option's performance, see *APPENDIX B – PORTFOLIO AND UNDERLYING INVESTMENT RISKS*.

Force Majeure and Other Factors. A Force Majeure (defined in *KEY TERMS*) or other circumstances beyond the reasonable control of the Plan Officials may affect the overall market value of an Account or your ability to transact business with the Plan.

No Guarantee of Principal or Earnings; Not Insured. Neither your Contributions to an Account nor any investment return earned on your Contributions are guaranteed by the Plan Officials. Except to the extent of FDIC insurance available on the Savings Portfolio, you could lose money (including your Contributions) or not make any money by investing in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

An investment in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan is not a bank deposit. Generally, investments in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan are not insured or guaranteed by the FDIC or any other government agency or by Plan Officials. As described in *PART II – THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS AND INVESTMENT RISKS – FDIC-INSURED PORTFOLIO*, FDIC insurance is provided for the Savings Portfolio.

There can be no assurance that the Underlying Investments will be successful or that the asset allocations relating to the iShares Year of Enrollment and iShares Asset Allocation Portfolios will be successful.

Relative to investing for retirement, the holding period for college investors is very short (*i.e.*, 5-20 years versus 30-60 years). Also, the need for liquidity during the withdrawal phase (to pay for Qualified Higher Education Expenses) generally is very important. You should strongly consider the level of risk you wish to assume and your investment time horizon prior to selecting a Portfolio.

Tax Considerations Generally; Income Tax on Earnings. The federal and state tax consequences associated with participating in the Plan can be complex. Therefore, you should consult a tax advisor regarding the application of tax laws to your particular circumstances. For example, certain Qualified Higher Education Expenses may receive federal tax benefits, but be subject to state tax recapture depending on your state of residency. Federal and state income taxes will be imposed on the earnings portion of certain withdrawals not used to pay Qualified Higher Education Expenses. Additionally, the Additional 10% Tax applies to Non-Qualified Withdrawals unless an exception applies.

IRS Regulations Not Final. As of the date of this Plan Disclosure Statement, the IRS has not issued final tax regulations regarding qualified tuition programs. Final tax regulations could affect the tax considerations under Section 529 or require changes to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

No Guarantee that Investments will cover Qualified Higher Education Expenses. There is no guarantee that the money in your Account will be sufficient to cover all of your Beneficiary's Qualified Higher Education Expenses, even if Contributions are made in the maximum allowable amount for the Designated Beneficiary. The future rate of increase in Qualified Higher Education Expenses is uncertain and could exceed the rate of investment return earned by any or all of the Portfolios over any relevant period of time.

No Guarantee of Admittance. Participation in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan does not guarantee or otherwise provide a commitment that the Designated Beneficiary will be admitted to, be allowed to continue to attend, or receive a degree from any Eligible Educational Institution, Recognized Post-Secondary Credential Program, K-12, or Registered Apprenticeship Program. Participation in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan also does not guarantee that a Designated Beneficiary will be treated as a resident of any state for tuition or any other purpose.

Differences between Performance of the Portfolios and Underlying Investments. The performance of the Portfolios will differ from the performance of the Underlying Investment. Because the Portfolios have higher expense ratios than the Underlying Investments, over comparable periods of time, all other things being equal, a Portfolio would have lower performance than its comparable Underlying Investment. However, the Underlying Investments do not offer the same potential tax advantages as the Portfolios. Performance differences also are caused by differences in the trade dates of Portfolio purchases. When you invest money in a Portfolio, you will receive Portfolio Units as of the trade date (see *PART I – OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT - Pricing of Portfolio Units*). The Portfolio will use your money to purchase shares of an Underlying Investment. However, the trade date for the Portfolio's purchase of Underlying Investment shares typically will be one business day after the trade date for your purchase of Portfolio Units. Depending on the amount of cash flow into or out of the Portfolio and whether the Underlying Investment is going up or down in value, this timing difference will cause the Portfolio's performance either to trail or exceed the Underlying Investments performance.

Passive Investment Risk. The Underlying Funds are not actively managed and BFA generally does not attempt to take defensive positions under any market conditions, including declining markets.

Limited Investment Direction. An Account Owner or contributor may not direct the Underlying Investments of a Portfolio. The ongoing money management is the responsibility of the Committee, BFA and, with respect to the Savings Portfolio, Sallie Mae Bank. However, an Account Owner may reallocate current Account assets among Portfolios up to two times every calendar year for a given Designated Beneficiary and upon a change of the Designated Beneficiary.

Limitations on Changes in Investment Selection Risk. In general, neither you nor any other contributor may direct the Underlying Investments of a Portfolio; however, once a Portfolio selection has been made at the time of enrollment, you may then reallocate assets within the Brighter Future Advisor Plan's investment options up to two times per calendar year, and upon a permissible change of the Designated Beneficiary of your Account. You may direct the allocation of future Contributions to any of the investment options in the Plan. The Underlying Investments of any Portfolio are subject to change at any time. The ongoing money management is the responsibility of the Committee and is subject to oversight and approval of the Committee. Any Portfolio at any time may be merged, terminated, reorganized or cease accepting new Contributions. Any such action affecting a Portfolio may result in an Account Owner's Contributions being reinvested in a Portfolio different from the Portfolio in which Contributions were originally invested.

Limited Liquidity. An Account Owner should consider that withdrawals are subject to tax and penalties if withdrawn for Non-Qualified Expenses.

Cybersecurity Risk. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan is highly dependent upon the computer systems of its service providers and their subcontractors. This makes the Plan susceptible to operational and information security risks resulting from cyber threats and cyber-attacks which may adversely affect your Account and cause it to lose value. For instance, cyber threats and cyber-attacks may interfere with your ability to access your Account, make contributions or exchanges, request and receive distributions; they may also impact the ability to calculate net asset values and/or impede trading. Cybersecurity risks include security or privacy incidents, such as human error, unauthorized release, theft, misuse, corruption, and destruction of Account data maintained online or digitally by the Plan. Cybersecurity risks also include denial of service, viruses, malware, hacking, bugs, security vulnerabilities in software, attacks on technology operations, and other disruptions that could impede the Plan's ability to maintain routine operations. Although the Plan and its service providers undertake efforts to protect their computer systems from cyber threats and cyber-attacks, including internal processes and technological defenses that are preventative in nature, and other controls designed to provide a multi-layered security posture, there are no guarantees that the Plan, the Plan Officials, or your Account will avoid losses due to cyber-attacks or cyber threats.

No Indemnification. Neither the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, the Trust, the Committee, Ascensus, BlackRock nor Sallie Mae Bank, will indemnify any Account Owner or Designated Beneficiary against losses or other claims arising from the official or unofficial acts, negligent or otherwise, of Committee members or employees of the State. Similarly, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, the Trust and the Committee will not indemnify any Account Owner or Designated Beneficiary against losses or other claims arising from the acts, negligent or otherwise, of Ascensus, BFA, Sallie Mae Bank or any service providers authorized by the Committee and retained by Ascensus.

Securities Laws. Units held by the Accounts in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan are considered municipal fund securities. The Units will not be registered as securities with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) or any state securities regulator. In addition, the Investment Options will not be registered as investment companies under the Investment Company Act of 1940. Neither the SEC nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved the Units or passed upon the adequacy of the Plan Disclosure Statement. We may choose to reject Enrollment Forms from residents of certain other states if those states require substantial additional regulatory filings.

Inflation and Qualified Expenses. Amounts contributed to an Account are limited by applicable law, and the balance in an Account(s) maintained for a Designated Beneficiary may or may not be adequate to cover the Qualified Higher Education Expenses of that Designated Beneficiary, even if Contributions are made up to the Maximum Contribution Limit. The rate of future inflation in Qualified Higher Education Expenses is uncertain and could exceed the rate of investment return earned by any or all of the Plan's Investment Options over the corresponding periods.

Suitability. The Plan Officials make no representation regarding the suitability or appropriateness of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan's investment options for any particular investor. Before investing in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan you should consult a tax or financial professional to seek advice concerning the appropriateness of this investment.

Education Savings and Investment Alternatives. In addition to the two 529 Plans offered by the Trust, specifically the Brighter Future Advisor Plan and the Arkansas Brighter Future 529 Plan, there are many other qualified tuition programs, including programs designed to provide prepaid tuition and certain other educational expenses, as well as other education savings and investment alternatives. These alternative programs may offer different investment vehicles, and may result in different tax and other consequences. They may have different eligibility requirements and other features, as well as fees and expenses that may be more or less than those charged by the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. You should consider alternative programs before establishing an Account in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

Investment Options Designed for College Savers. The Investment Options offered through the Brighter Future Advisor Plan have been designed exclusively for you to save for Qualified Higher Education Expenses. The current Investment Options offered through the Plan were designed for college savers. If you choose to invest to cover the cost of expenses for elementary or secondary public, private or religious schools or expenses for registered apprenticeship programs you should keep in mind your investment horizon. Specifically, the Year of Enrollment Portfolios are designed for Account Owners seeking to automatically invest in progressively more conservative portfolios as their Designated Beneficiary approaches college age. The Year of Enrollment Portfolios' time horizon and withdrawal periods may not match those needed to meet your other savings goals, which may have a significantly shorter time horizon. In addition, please note that the other Portfolios in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan are comprised of fixed investments. This means that your assets will remain invested in that Portfolio(s) until you direct us to move them to a different Portfolio. Please consult a qualified tax or investment advisor about your personal circumstances.

Eligibility for Financial Aid. Participation in Brighter Future Advisor does not limit your Beneficiary's receipt of merit-based financial aid, including academic or athletic scholarships; however, your Account may be factored into need-based financial aid programs such as federal, state, and institutional loan, grant, or other programs for funding higher education. An investment in Brighter Future Advisor may have an adverse impact on your Beneficiary's eligibility to participate in these need-based financial aid programs.

In making decisions about eligibility for financial aid programs offered by the U.S. government and the amount of financial aid required, the U.S. Department of Education takes into consideration a variety of factors, including:

- assets of your Beneficiary's parents, if your Beneficiary is a dependent student and the Account Owner is the parent or the Beneficiary, or
- assets of the Beneficiary, if the Beneficiary is the owner of the Account and not a dependent student.

Assets owned by the parent of a Beneficiary who is not a dependent are not considered for purposes of the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Because the treatment of Account assets on the FAFSA may have a material adverse effect on your Beneficiary's eligibility to receive valuable benefits under financial aid programs, you or your Beneficiary should check the applicable laws or regulations and with:

- the financial aid office of an Eligible Educational Institution,
- your tax advisor regarding the impact of an investment in and distributions from the Program on needs-based financial aid programs, and/or
- a financial professional.

With respect to financial aid programs offered by states, educational institutions, and other non-federal sources, the treatment of 529 Plans, including the effect of being the owner or Designated Beneficiary of a 529 Plan account, can vary and may differ from such treatment under federal financial aid programs. Accordingly, no generalizations can be made about the effect of being the owner beneficiary of a 529 Plan account on the student's eligibility for financial aid, or the amount of aid the student may qualify for, from such non-federal sources.

Death of Account Owner. If an Account Owner dies, control and ownership of the Account will be transferred to the Successor Account Owner. If no Successor Account Owner has been named or if the Successor Account Owner predeceases the Account Owner, control and ownership of the Account will become subject to applicable estate and guardianship laws. If the Account Owner dies, the Successor Account Owner must notify the Plan and submit a completed Enrollment Form, a certified copy of the death certificate and such other information requested by the Plan. The Account will become effective for the Successor Account Owner once the appropriate documentation has been received and is processed.

Medicaid and Other Federal and State Benefits. The effect of an Account on eligibility for Medicaid or other state and federal benefits is uncertain. It is unclear how local and state government agencies will treat Qualified Tuition Program assets for the purpose of Medicaid eligibility. Although there are federal guidelines under Title XIX of the Social Security Act of 1965, each state administers its Medicaid program and rules could vary greatly from one state to the next. It is possible that an Account in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan will be viewed as a "countable resource" in determining an individual's financial eligibility for Medicaid. Under Arkansas law, an Account shall be exempt for purposes of determining eligibility for Medicaid, provided that federal rules permit such an exemption. Withdrawals from an Account during certain periods also may have the effect of delaying the disbursement of Medicaid payments. You should consult a qualified advisor to determine how a 529 Plan account may affect eligibility for Medicaid or other state and federal benefits.

Potential Future Changes to the Plan. The Committee reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to discontinue the Brighter Future Advisor Plan or to change any aspect of the Plan. For example, the Committee may, without prior notice, change the Plan's fees and charges; add or merge Portfolios; close a Portfolio to new investors; or change the Underlying Investment(s) or target asset allocations of a Portfolio. Depending on the nature of the change, Account Owners may be required to participate in, or be prohibited from participating in, the change with respect to Accounts established before the change. Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC may not necessarily continue as Program Manager, and BFA may not necessarily continue as the Investment Manager indefinitely. The Committee may terminate the Brighter Future Advisor Plan by giving written notice to the Account Owner, although the Brighter Future Advisor Plan may not thereby be diverted from the exclusive benefit of the Account Owner.

From time to time, the Committee may change the investment guidelines for the Plan or a Portfolio. If required, the Program Manager will cause a Portfolio to divest itself of ownership of shares of one or more Underlying Investments or of its investments. During the transition from one Underlying Investment to another Underlying Investment, a Portfolio may be temporarily uninvested and lack market exposure to an asset class. During such transition period, a Portfolio may temporarily hold a basket of securities to the extent that the Underlying Investment from which it redeems chooses to satisfy the Portfolio's redemption out of such investment on an in-kind basis. In such event, the Program Manager will seek to liquidate the securities received from the Underlying Investment as promptly as practicable so that the proceeds can be promptly invested in the replacement Underlying Investment. The transaction costs associated with such liquidation, as well as any market impact on the value of the securities being liquidated, will be borne by the Portfolio and the Accounts invested in such Portfolio. An Underlying Investment from which a Portfolio redeems may impose redemption fees. In such event, the Portfolio, and Accounts invested in such Portfolio, will bear such redemption fees.

The Target Indices of Certain Underlying Funds may Change. Many of the Underlying Investments are index funds. Each index fund may substitute a different index for the index it currently tracks. In such an instance, a substitute index would measure substantially the same market segment (e.g., large-, mid-, or small-capitalization) as the current index.

Change in Status of Federal and State Law and Regulations Governing the Plan. It is possible that future changes in federal or state laws and regulations or court or interpretive rulings could adversely affect the terms and conditions of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan or the value of your Account, even retroactively. It is possible that Congress, the Treasury Department, the IRS, the state legislature, the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration, or federal or state courts may take action that will affect the tax treatment of 529 Plan contributions, earnings, withdrawals, or the availability of state tax deductions. In addition, federal and state laws or court or interpretive rulings on related matters, such as the funding of higher education expenses, treatment of financial aid, and tax rules, are subject to change. It is unknown what effect these kinds of changes could have on an Account. In addition, it is the Committee's intention to take advantage of Section 529 and therefore, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan is subject to changes in tax law, regulations, changes or court, and or interpretive rulings and guidance that might alter the tax considerations described in *PART V – FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT*. You should also consider the potential impact of any other state laws on your Account. You should consult your financial or tax advisor for more information.

PART III. MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT

INVESTMENT OPTIONS

Federal law prohibits Account Owners from selecting the Underlying Investments of the investment options in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan's menu of professionally managed investment options is designed to give you a full range of investment options. At the time of enrollment, you select the investment option(s) to which you want to allocate your Contributions. You may change the allocation of your future Contributions at any time; however, you may only reallocate your existing investments (perform an Investment Exchange) up to two times per calendar year for a given Designated Beneficiary.

CHOOSING YOUR INVESTMENT OPTIONS

Deciding Which Portfolio is Right for You

A wide variety of criteria may enter into your decision, potentially including one or more of the following factors:

- The Brighter Future Advisor Plan's investment options and its performance history;
- the Plan's flexibility and features;
- the reputation and expertise of the Investment Manager and Sallie Mae Bank;
- the Brighter Future Advisor Plan's risk factors;
- the Maximum Contribution Limit;
- the Plan's fees and expenses;
- the federal and state tax benefits associated with an investment in the Plan; and
- whether you want your financial professional to help you make investment choices to the extent allowed or help you create a customized investment allocation that you monitor and adjust over time.

HISTORICAL INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE

The tables on the following pages present the Average Annual Total Returns for Class F, Class A and Class L of each Portfolio as of March 31, 2026, which represent investments made in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan prior to March 31, 2026. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan's fiscal year runs from July 1 to June 30. The following Average Annual Total Returns reflect past performance net of the Annual Asset-Based Fees, but do not reflect the deduction of the $10 annual account maintenance fee.

THE PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE INFORMATION REPRESENTS PAST PERFORMANCE AND IS NO GUARANTEE OF FUTURE RESULTS. Investment returns and principal value will fluctuate, so an investor's Units, when redeemed, may be worth more or less than their original cost.

Performance information for the Portfolios should not be viewed as a prediction of future performance of any particular Portfolio. Moreover, in view of anticipated periodic revisions of allocations and possible changes in the Underlying Funds and other Underlying Investments, the future investment results of any Portfolio cannot be expected, for any period, to be similar to the past performance of any Underlying Funds or other Underlying Investments. The performance of the Portfolios and Investment Options will differ from the performance of the Underlying Investments. Because the Portfolios have higher expense ratios than the Underlying Investments, over comparable periods of time, all other things being equal, a Portfolio would have lower performance than its comparable Underlying Investment. However, the Underlying Investments do not offer the same potential tax advantages as the Portfolios.

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS AS OF MARCH 31, 2026

PORTFOLIOS **Class F Units**	**1 YEAR**	**3 YEAR**	**5 YEAR**	**10 YEAR**	**SINCE INCEPTION**	**INCEPTION DATE**
iShares College Portfolio	5.05%	5.03%	2.91%	1.92%	0.64%	12/10/2007
iShares 2027 College Portfolio	8.91%	7.84%	3.85%	6.65%	7.35%	9/25/2009
iShares 2030 College Portfolio	12.52%	10.22%	5.08%	7.61%	7.78%	10/31/2012
iShares 2033 College Portfolio	14.09%	11.58%	5.93%	8.36%	7.99%	10/30/2015
iShares 2036 College Portfolio	15.58%	12.85%	6.80%		9.32%	10/31/2018
iShares 2039 College Portfolio	17.12%	14.08%			5.98%	10/29/2021
iShares 2042 College Portfolio*	18.51%				11.57%	11/08/2024
iShares Aggressive Portfolio	19.09%	15.11%	8.26%	10.01%	6.85%	12/10/2007
iShares Moderate Portfolio	13.79%	11.05%	5.59%	7.26%	5.59%	12/10/2007
iShares Conservative Portfolio	6.79%	5.77%	2.03%	3.50%	3.72%	12/10/2007
iShares Fixed Income Portfolio	3.69%	3.46%	0.90%	1.51%	2.10%	12/10/2007
iShares Russell 1000 Portfolio	17.04%	17.53%	10.76%	13.41%	9.84%	12/10/2007
iShares Russell 2000 Portfolio	25.20%	12.55%	3.25%	9.42%	7.50%	12/10/2007
iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market Portfolio	17.63%	17.39%	10.35%		11.59%	1/31/2018
iShares Core High Dividend Portfolio	15.28%	13.56%	10.87%	9.18%	9.63%	10/31/2012
iShares Core U.S. REIT Portfolio	5.44%	8.33%	5.17%	4.76%	5.18%	12/10/2007
iShares Core MSCI EAFE Portfolio	23.69%	14.08%	7.75%	8.21%	3.60%	12/10/2007
iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China Portfolio*					11.40%	12/05/2025
iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor Portfolio	20.65%	13.68%	7.30%	5.96%	6.59%	10/31/2012
iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond Portfolio	3.99%	3.24%	-0.06%	1.29%	2.57%	12/10/2007
iShares TIPS Bond Portfolio	2.48%	2.62%	0.96%	2.13%	2.77%	12/10/2007
iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond Portfolio	-0.84%	-3.14%	-5.89%	-1.73%	2.36%	12/10/2007
iShares Short Treasury Bond Portfolio	3.62%	4.31%	2.82%	1.81%	1.01%	12/10/2007
iShares 1 – 5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	4.62%	5.10%	2.09%	2.36%	1.93%	10/31/2012
iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	4.51%	3.88%	-0.15%	2.27%	2.23%	10/31/2012
iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond Portfolio	6.51%	7.54%	3.29%	4.77%	3.97%	10/31/2012
Savings Portfolio	3.51%	3.92%	2.73%	1.89%	1.46%	7/18/2011

*Historical investment performance is not provided for Portfolio due to the recent inception date.

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS AS OF MARCH 31, 2026

PORTFOLIOS Class A Units	1 YEAR	3 YEAR	5 YEAR	SINCE INCEPTION	INCEPTION DATE
iShares College Portfolio	4.78%	4.83%	2.67%	1.72%	5/20/2016
iShares 2027 College Portfolio	8.65%	7.59%	3.59%	6.56%	5/20/2016
iShares 2030 College Portfolio	12.24%	9.96%	4.82%	7.57%	5/20/2016
iShares 2033 College Portfolio	13.85%	11.32%	5.68%	8.34%	5/20/2016
iShares 2036 College Portfolio	15.29%	12.57%	6.53%	9.04%	10/31/2018
iShares 2039 College Portfolio	16.88%	13.81%		5.76%	10/29/2021
iShares 2042 College Portfolio*	18.33%			11.37%	11/08/2024
iShares Aggressive Portfolio	18.80%	14.83%	8.00%	10.00%	5/20/2016
iShares Moderate Portfolio	13.51%	10.77%	5.32%	7.14%	5/20/2016
iShares Conservative Portfolio	6.57%	5.55%	1.79%	3.30%	5/20/2016
iShares Fixed Income Portfolio	3.47%	3.22%	0.65%	1.28%	5/20/2016
iShares Russell 1000 Portfolio	16.79%	17.28%	10.52%	13.36%	5/20/2016
iShares Russell 2000 Portfolio	24.88%	12.29%	3.01%	9.30%	5/20/2016
iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market Portfolio					1/31/2018
iShares Core High Dividend Portfolio	15.03%	13.29%	10.61%	8.97%	5/20/2016
iShares Core U.S. REIT Portfolio	5.20%	8.09%	4.93%	4.87%	5/20/2016
iShares Core MSCI EAFE Portfolio	23.39%	13.83%	7.50%	8.08%	5/20/2016
iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China Portfolio*				11.20%	12/05/2025
iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor Portfolio	20.45%	13.47%	7.07%	5.83%	5/20/2016
iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond Portfolio	3.74%	3.00%	-0.30%	1.05%	5/20/2016
iShares TIPS Bond Portfolio	2.19%	2.39%	0.71%	1.97%	5/20/2016
iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond Portfolio	-1.09%	-3.31%	-6.08%	-2.00%	5/20/2016
iShares Short Treasury Bond Portfolio	3.45%	4.08%	2.59%	1.59%	5/20/2016
iShares 1 – 5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	4.40%	4.94%	1.89%	2.15%	5/20/2016
iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	4.38%	3.65%	-0.39%	1.99%	5/20/2016
iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond Portfolio	6.24%	7.30%	3.06%	4.31%	5/20/2016
Savings Portfolio	3.53%	3.89%	2.72%	1.89%	5/20/2016

*Historical investment performance is not provided for Portfolio due to the recent inception date.

AVERAGE ANNUAL TOTAL RETURNS AS OF MARCH 31, 2026

PORTFOLIOS Class L Units	1 YEAR	3 YEAR	5 YEAR	SINCE INCEPTION	INCEPTION DATE
iShares College Portfolio	4.49%	4.43%	2.29%	1.35%	5/20/2016
iShares 2027 College Portfolio	8.30%	7.29%	3.28%	6.22%	5/20/2016
iShares 2030 College Portfolio	11.94%	9.63%	4.49%	7.21%	5/20/2016
iShares 2033 College Portfolio	13.49%	10.97%	5.33%	7.96%	5/20/2016
iShares 2036 College Portfolio	14.95%	12.20%	6.18%	8.67%	10/31/2018
iShares 2039 College Portfolio	16.45%	13.40%		5.37%	10/29/2021
iShares 2042 College Portfolio*	17.96%			10.96%	11/08/2024
iShares Aggressive Portfolio	18.45%	14.53%	7.69%	9.67%	5/20/2016
iShares Moderate Portfolio	13.15%	10.39%	4.95%	6.78%	5/20/2016
iShares Conservative Portfolio	6.30%	5.23%	1.47%	2.95%	5/20/2016
iShares Fixed Income Portfolio	3.10%	2.86%	0.29%	0.95%	5/20/2016
iShares Russell 1000 Portfolio	16.37%	16.84%	10.12%	12.96%	5/20/2016
iShares Russell 2000 Portfolio	24.44%	11.88%	2.63%	8.92%	5/20/2016
iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market Portfolio	16.98%	16.73%	9.71%	10.94%	1/31/2018
iShares Core High Dividend Portfolio	14.64%	12.90%	10.22%	8.59%	5/20/2016
iShares Core U.S. REIT Portfolio	4.88%	7.74%	4.59%	4.52%	5/20/2016
iShares Core MSCI EAFE Portfolio	23.02%	13.44%	7.13%	7.70%	5/20/2016
iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China Portfolio*				11.10%	12/05/2025
iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor Portfolio	19.96%	13.05%	6.67%	5.46%	5/20/2016
iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond Portfolio	3.38%	2.62%	-0.64%	0.71%	5/20/2016
iShares TIPS Bond Portfolio	2.00%	2.07%	0.40%	1.63%	5/20/2016
iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond Portfolio	-1.37%	-3.68%	-6.42%	-2.36%	5/20/2016
iShares Short Treasury Bond Portfolio	3.29%	3.78%	2.27%	1.26%	5/20/2016
iShares 1 – 5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	3.94%	4.47%	1.48%	1.76%	5/20/2016
iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	3.90%	3.24%	-0.75%	1.62%	5/20/2016
iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond Portfolio	5.99%	7.00%	2.74%	3.98%	5/20/2016
Savings Portfolio	3.53%	3.91%	2.74%	1.90%	5/20/2016

*Historical investment performance is not provided for Portfolio due to the recent inception date.

CONFIRMATIONS AND STATEMENTS/SAFEGUARDING YOUR ACCOUNT

You will receive quarterly Account statements to reflect financial transactions only if you have made financial transactions within the quarter. These transactions include: Contributions made to the Account; withdrawals made from the Account; Investment Exchanges; and transaction and maintenance fees incurred by the Account. Plan initiated changes will not generate a confirmation statement. The total value of your Account at the end of the quarter will also be included in your quarterly Account statements. You will receive an annual Account statement even if you have made no financial transactions within the year. In the event you close your Account prior to the fourth quarter, your statement for that quarter will represent your final statement for the year.

You will receive transaction confirmations for any activity in your Account, except for recurring contribution transactions, payroll direct deposit transactions, and the deduction of the Annual Account Maintenance Fee; instead, these transactions will appear on your quarterly Account statement.

The Brighter Future Advisor Plan periodically matches and updates the addresses of record against a change-of-address database maintained by the U.S. Postal Service to reduce the possibility that items sent by first-class mail, such as Account statements, will be undeliverable.

You can securely access and manage your Account information—including Account statements, transaction confirmations, and tax forms—24 hours a day at www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com once you have created an online username and password.

Loss Due to Fraud

To safeguard your Account, it is important that you keep your information confidential, including your username and password. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan uses reasonable processes, procedures, and internal controls to confirm that transaction requests are genuine, but these measures do not guarantee that fraudulent or unauthorized instructions received by the Brighter Future Advisor Plan will be detected. Neither the Brighter Future Advisor Plan nor any of the Plan Officials will be responsible for losses resulting from fraudulent or unauthorized instructions received by the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, provided the Program Manager reasonably believed the instructions were genuine.

You are expected to regularly review all transaction confirmations, Account statements, and any email or paper correspondence sent by the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. Contact the Brighter Future Advisor Plan immediately if you believe someone has obtained unauthorized access to your Account or if you believe there is a discrepancy between a transaction you requested and your transaction confirmation.

Administrative Error

If you receive a confirmation that you believe contains an error or does not accurately reflect your authorized instructions—*e.g.*, the amount invested differs from the amount contributed or the Contribution was not invested in the particular investment options you selected — you must promptly notify the Brighter Future Advisor Plan of the error. If you do not notify the Brighter Future Advisor Plan promptly, you will be considered to have approved the information in the confirmation and to have released the Brighter Future Advisor Plan and the Plan Officials from all responsibility for matters covered by the confirmation.

Safeguarding Your Account

To safeguard your Account, it is important that you keep your Account information confidential, including your username and password. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan has implemented reasonable processes, procedures and internal controls to confirm that transaction requests are genuine, but these measures do not guarantee that fraudulent or unauthorized instructions received by the Plan will be detected. Neither the Plan nor any of Plan Officials will be responsible for losses resulting from fraudulent or unauthorized instructions received by the Plan, provided we reasonably believed the instructions were genuine.

ACCOUNT RESTRICTIONS

In addition to rights expressly stated elsewhere in this Program Description, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan reserves the right to (1) freeze an Account and/or suspend Account services when the Plan has received reasonable notice of a dispute regarding the assets in an Account, including notice of a dispute in Account ownership or when the Brighter Future Advisor Plan reasonably believes a fraudulent transaction may occur or has occurred; (2) freeze an Account and/or suspend Account services upon the notification to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan of the death of an Account Owner until the Brighter Future Advisor Plan receives required documentation in good order and reasonably believes that it is lawful to transfer Account ownership to the Successor Account Owner; (3) redeem an Account, without the Account Owner's permission, in cases of threatening conduct or suspicious, fraudulent or illegal activity; and (4) reject a Contribution for any reason, including Contributions for the Brighter Future Advisor Plan that the Program Manager or Committee believe are not in the best interests of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, a Portfolio or the Account Owners. The risk of market loss, tax implications, penalties, and any other expenses, as a result of such an Account freeze or redemption will be solely the Account Owner's responsibility.

CHANGING INVESTMENT OPTIONS

You may perform an Investment Exchange within the Trust (*i.e.*, make exchanges or reallocate investments within the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, or between the Brighter Future Advisor Plan and the Direct Plan) up to two times per calendar year or upon a change of the Designated Beneficiary to a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary. Reallocations of your investments within the Trust without changing the Designated Beneficiary are considered to be an Investment Exchange for purposes of the "twice per calendar year" limitation and all accounts in any 529 Plans sponsored by the State of Arkansas having the same Account Owner and Designated Beneficiary will be aggregated for purposes of this limitation. Any Investment Exchange in excess of such limitation is prohibited and, if effected, may be considered a Non-Qualified Withdrawal and subsequent Contribution for federal or state tax purposes.

You may make Investment Exchanges anytime you change the Designated Beneficiary (see *PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT – Changing the Designated Beneficiary*); however, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan reserves the right to suspend processing of Designated Beneficiary changes if it suspects that they are being requested for reasons other than intended by the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

Accounts holding Class F Units may continue to hold those Units, and Account Owners may exchange their Class F Units of one Portfolio for Class F Units of another Portfolio. However, new investments in Class F Units are available only to Account Owners who meet specific eligibility requirements.

You can make an Investment Exchange online, or you or your financial professional may obtain the appropriate form online at www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com or contact a client service representative at 1-888-529-9552.

Changing Investment Options for Future Contributions

You may change the allocation of future Contributions at any time. Please note that a decision to change the allocation of future Contributions will not affect the allocation of assets already in your Account, and vice versa. For example, assume that upon the opening of your Account, you elect to split your Contributions 60% to Option A and 40% to Option B. Then, six months later you decide to reallocate the existing assets in your Account 50% to Option A, 25% to Option B and 25% to Option C and at the same time you decide to allocate 100% of future Contributions to Option D. In this scenario, you may only make one additional reallocation of the existing assets in your Account for the remainder of that calendar year. However, you may continue to change the allocation of future Contributions.

CHANGING THE ACCOUNT OWNER

You may change ownership of an Account to another individual or entity that is eligible to be an Account Owner in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. Special rules apply to UGMA/UTMA Accounts. A transfer of ownership of an Account will only be effective if it is irrevocable and transfers all rights, title, interest and power over the Account, and may not be done for consideration (*e.g.*, in exchange for money or other value). When you transfer ownership of your Account, you are not required to change the Designated Beneficiary. You may change the Account Owner by submitting the appropriate form, which you can obtain online at www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com, or by contacting a client service representative at 1-888-529-9552. (There are exceptions for an UGMA/UTMA Account. See *PART I - OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT – Contributions from UGMA/UTMA Custodial Accounts*).

A change in ownership of an Account during your lifetime may have adverse or uncertain tax consequences. You should contact your tax advisor before transferring ownership of an Account during your lifetime.

CHANGING THE DESIGNATED BENEFICIARY

At any time, you can change the Designated Beneficiary of an Account without adverse federal income tax consequences if the new Designated Beneficiary is a Member of the Family (as defined below) of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary (subject to additional requirements described in *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT - Qualified Rollovers*). Special rules apply to UGMA/UTMA Accounts. If the new Designated Beneficiary is not a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary, then the change is treated as a Non-Qualified Withdrawal subject to applicable federal and state income tax and the Additional 10% Federal Tax, followed by a new Contribution for the new Designated Beneficiary with potential gift tax consequences.

There may be federal gift tax, estate tax, or GST tax consequences in connection with changing the Designated Beneficiary of a 529 Plan account. Note that if the new Designated Beneficiary belongs to a younger generation than the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary, the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary or the Account Owner may be liable for gift or GST tax. For more information on gift and GST taxes, see *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT – Federal Gift and Estate Taxes*.

To change the Designated Beneficiary on an Account, you or your financial professional can obtain the appropriate form online at www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com or by contacting a client service representative at 1-888-529-9552. Complete and submit the forms based on the instructions provided. You may transfer all or a portion of your assets in an Account to an Account you hold for another Designated Beneficiary who is a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary. As with changes of Designated Beneficiary, such a transfer may have federal gift tax, estate tax, or GST tax consequences.

Member of the Family

For purposes of changing the Designated Beneficiary, a “Member of the Family” of a Designated Beneficiary is defined under Section 529 as:

- Father, mother, or ancestor
- Son, daughter, or descendant
- Stepfather or stepmother
- Stepson or stepdaughter
- Brother, sister, stepbrother or stepsister, or half-brother or half-sister
- Brother or sister of the father or mother
- Brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son-in-law, daughter-in-law, father-in-law, or mother-in-law
- Son or daughter of a brother or sister
- Spouse of the Designated Beneficiary or any of the individuals mentioned above and
- First cousin

A legally adopted child or a foster child of an individual is treated as the child of such individual by blood.

SUCCESSOR ACCOUNT OWNER

Naming a Successor Account Owner

Account Owners, except for Account Owners who are trustees of a trust, may designate a successor Account Owner (to the extent permissible under applicable law) to succeed to all of the current Account Owner's rights, title, and interest in a funded Account (including, without limitation, the right to change the Designated Beneficiary) upon the death of the current Account Owner. Such designation must either be on the original Account Application or requested separately online, over the phone or by submitting the appropriate form which you can obtain online at www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com, or by contacting a client service representative at 1-888-529-9552. A successor Account Owner designation is not effective until it is received and processed by the Program Manager. The designation of a successor Account Owner may be revoked or changed at any time by the Account Owner by submitting an Account Information Change Form to the Program Manager. Special rules apply to UGMA/UTMA Accounts.

All requests to transfer ownership to a successor Account Owner after the Account Owner's death must be submitted in writing. Please contact the Program Manager at 1888-529-9552 for information needed to complete the change of ownership. Account Owners should consult a tax advisor regarding tax issues that might arise on a transfer of Account Ownership. An UGMA/UTMA custodian will not be permitted to change the Account Owner to anyone other than a successor custodian during the term of the custodial Account under applicable UGMA/UTMA law.

In the event no successor Account Owner is named on the Account Application or on another form accepted by the Program Manager, and the Account Owner has not disposed of the Account otherwise in a will, trust or other testamentary document, or the named successor Account Owner does not accept the Account, ownership of the Account will pass to the surviving spouse of the Account Owner. In the event the Account Owner has no such surviving spouse and the Designated Beneficiary is not a minor, the Designated Beneficiary will become the Account Owner for the Account. If the Designated Beneficiary is a minor, the Designated Beneficiary's custodial parent or legal guardian will become the Account Owner for the Account. If the Designated Beneficiary has more than one custodial parent, the custodial parent whose birthday is earlier in the calendar year will become the Account Owner for the Account.

Transferring Control to a Successor Account Owner

If an Account Owner dies, the Plan will need the following documents before we can put the Account in a Successor Account Owner's name:

- Letter of instruction;
- Certified copy of death certificate;
- Account Application (if a Successor Account Owner is named and does not already have an Account for the same Designated Beneficiary).

If no Successor Account Owner was originally identified during the Account opening process, the executor/executrix of the Account Owner's estate should submit the appropriate documents designating the Successor Account Owner. The Committee and the Program Manager reserve the right to require additional documentation. Special rules apply to UGMA/UTMA Accounts.

CHANGING YOUR FINANCIAL PROFESSIONAL

You may change or remove the financial professional registered on your Account at any time by contacting a client service representative at 1-888-529-9552. If you remove your financial professional from the account, you must add a new one at the time of removal if you wish to remain in the Advisor Plan. If you choose not to appoint a new financial professional, your assets will be moved to the Brighter Future Direct Plan.

Please note that you are responsible for keeping your Account information up to date. The financial professional associated with your Account will continue to have access to your Account until you notify us of the change. The Plan Officials, at their discretion, may terminate your financial professional's authority to access your Account.

PART IV. ACCOUNT AND PORTFOLIO FEES AND EXPENSES

The Investment Manager will periodically review and may update the asset allocations of the Asset Allocation Portfolios and Year-of-Enrollment Portfolios. As a result of these adjustments to the asset allocations, the annual asset-based fees may be higher or lower than those reflected in this Program Description.

Other than these periodic asset allocation adjustments by the Investment Manager, the Committee, in its sole discretion, will establish, and may change at any time, the fees and expenses it deems appropriate for the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. In the future, the Plan's fees and expenses could be higher or lower than those discussed in this Program Description.

Total expenses for each Investment Portfolio are available quarterly and may be obtained by calling a client service representative at 1-888-529-9552. Account Owners will bear fees and expenses at the Plan level and also bear the cost of investing in the Underlying Investments. At the Plan level, an Account will be subject to an annual Account Maintenance Fee, certain fees that are charged daily against the assets of each Portfolio, and certain transaction fees. Your financial professional may charge you fees in addition to the fees described in this section. Any such additional fee is a matter between you and your financial professional and is not the responsibility of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan or any of the Plan Officials.

PLAN-LEVEL EXPENSES

Asset–Based Fees

Underlying Investment Expenses

Each Underlying Investment assesses certain fees against amounts invested. An Underlying Investment's expense ratio measures the total annual operating expenses (*e.g.*, Portfolio Trading Expenses) of the Underlying Investment as a percentage of its average daily net assets.

The Underlying Investment Expenses are based on the prospectuses and/or financial statements of the Underlying Investments and may change periodically. For Portfolios that invest in multiple Underlying Investments, the Underlying Investment Expense is based on a weighted average of the Underlying Investments' total operating expense ratio as disclosed in the Underlying Investments' prospectuses and/or financial statements. See *PART IV – ACCOUNT AND PORTFOLIO FEES AND EXPENSES - PLAN FEE AND EXPENSE INFORMATION*.

Program Management Fee

Each Year-of-Enrollment and Asset Allocation Portfolio bears a program management fee of 0.35% of Portfolio assets. The Custom iShares Portfolios and the FDIC-Insured Portfolio bear a program management fee of 0.30% of Portfolio assets. The program management fee is payable to the Program Manager for the performance of certain Portfolio administration and management services. The Program Manager, BlackRock and Sallie Mae Bank have agreed to a specific formula for the allocation of the program management fee. This fee is accrued daily and is factored into the Portfolio's NAV. See *PART IV – ACCOUNT AND PORTFOLIO FEES AND EXPENSES - PLAN FEE AND EXPENSE INFORMATION.*

State Administration Fee

Each Portfolio is subject to an ongoing annual administration fee of 0.05% of Portfolio assets payable to the Committee. The State Administration Fee may be used to pay the fees of independent public accountants for conducting annual audits, legal fees, and other fees and expenses associated with the Plan at the discretion of the Committee. This fee is accrued daily and is factored into the Portfolio's NAV. See *PART IV – ACCOUNT AND PORTFOLIO FEES AND EXPENSES - PLAN FEE AND EXPENSE INFORMATION*.

Annual Sales Fee

BlackRock receives an annual marketing support fee referred to as the "Annual Sales Fee" from each Account in connection with the services that it provides to the Accounts. The Annual Sales Fee is 0.25% for Class A Units and 0.60% for Class L Units. This fee is accrued daily and is factored into the Portfolio's NAV. BlackRock may use the Annual Sales Fee to compensate Financial Intermediaries. Class F Units are not subject to an Annual Sales Fee.

The Annual Sales Fee, if any, for a Portfolio, may be voluntarily reduced or waived at any time on a temporary or permanent basis by the Program Manager. If waived, the Program Manager may reinstate the Annual Sales Fee at any time without prior notice.

Total Annual Asset-Based Fee

The Total Annual Asset-Based Fee is the sum of the Estimated Underlying Investment Expenses, the Program Management Fee, the State Administration Fee, and the Annual Sales Fee (if applicable). The Total Annual Asset-Based Fee is assessed over the course of the year and does not include any fees that may be charged by your financial professional or the Annual Account Maintenance Fee. The Total Annual Asset-Based Fees may be higher or lower than those reflected in the Plan Fee and Expense Information Tables because the Underlying Investment Expenses for the Year-of-Enrollment Portfolios and the Asset Allocation Portfolios are adjusted based on adjustments to such a Portfolio's asset allocation.

Annual Account Maintenance Fee

There is an Annual Account Maintenance Fee of $10 per Account. The $10 fee is assessed to your Account on or about the 22nd day of the month of the 12-month anniversary of your Account opening. The Program Manager or its affiliate receives the Annual Account Maintenance Fee.

If you make a complete withdrawal from your Account prior to the anniversary date in a given year, a prorated Annual Account Maintenance Fee may be charged against the amount of the withdrawal. The Annual Account Maintenance Fee is waived for accounts where the combined account balance for the same Account Owner and Designated Beneficiary is equal to or greater than $20,000 as of the business day prior to the fee assessment. Note that the Designated Beneficiary is treated as the Account Owner for an Account opened with Contributions from an UGMA/UTMA account.

Float Income

The Program Manager may receive indirect compensation for the custodial services that it provides to your Account. This compensation, known as "float income," is paid by the financial organization at which the Program Manager maintains "clearing accounts" or by the investments in which the Program Manager invests in such clearing accounts. Float income may arise from interest that is earned on Account contributions or distributions during the time that these assets are held by the Program Manager in clearing accounts but are not invested in an Investment Option. For example, if you request a distribution and receive the distribution check but do not cash it for several days, some interest may be earned while your funds remain in the clearing account.

These clearing accounts generally earn interest at a rate between the money market rate and that of U.S. Treasury Notes. By maintaining an Account, you acknowledge that float income may be retained by the Program Manager.

Transaction Fees

The Brighter Future Advisor Plan reserves the right to charge an Account in any circumstance in which the Plan incurs expenses on behalf of the Account (*e.g.*, when a check, recurring contribution, or EBT is returned unpaid by the financial institution upon which it is drawn). In particular, if you request delivery of withdrawal proceeds by priority delivery service, outgoing wire or, if available, electronic payment to schools, the Plan will deduct the applicable fee listed in the below chart directly from your Account, and will include this fee amount on your annual IRS Form 1099-Q as part of the gross withdrawals paid to you during the year. In its discretion and without prior notice, the Plan may deduct directly from your

Account the other fees and expenses identified in this chart or similar fees or charges. Please consult your tax advisor regarding calculating and reporting any tax liability associated with the payment of any of these fees out of your Account in a year.

Transaction	Fee Amount*
Returned Check	$30.00
Rejected Recurring Contribution	$30.00
Rejected EBT	$30.00
Priority Delivery	$25.00
Outgoing ACH Wires	$5.00
Outgoing Fed Funds Wire	$15.00
Electronic Payments to School (where available)	$10.00
Reissue of Disbursement Checks	$15.00
Request for Historical Statement	$10.00 per yearly statement, $30.00 maximum per household per year
*Subject to change without prior notice	

CHOOSING A CLASS OF UNITS

The assets in your Account represent a portion of the assets held by one or more Portfolios of the Trust, expressed as a number of "Plan Units" or "Units." Account Owners may elect to invest under one of three fee structures: Class A, Class L and Class F, and Units invested under each structure are referred to as Class A Units, Class L Units, and Class F Units, respectively. Each Class of Unit has a different fee structure determined by the sales charge and the annual sales fee. Class F Units are currently available only to Account Owners investing through a Financial Intermediary that has entered into a written agreement with Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC to offer Class F Units on a platform that charges commissions and fees directly to Account Owners outside of the Plan, and to employees of BlackRock and Ascensus. You should contact your Financial Intermediary about any commissions charged by them on your purchase of Class F Units.

The Program Management Fee and the Annual Account Maintenance Fee are the same for Class A, Class L and Class F Units.

In certain circumstances described below, Contributions to your Account may be processed in a different Class of Units than the Class you select. Following instructions received from your Financial Intermediary, the Program Manager may, but shall not be required to, process your Contribution in a Class of Units with lower annual asset-based fees and/or no initial sales charge (Class A Units at NAV, or Class F Units), instead of the selected Class of Units (Class A Units or Class L Units). Additionally, if you have an existing Account held directly with the Plan that does not have a Financial Intermediary associated with the Account, you may only invest in Class A Units at NAV or Class F Units, and the Program Manager may, in its discretion, exchange any existing holdings of Units for Class A Units at NAV or Class F Units. Exchanges between Classes of Units will not count towards the Reallocation Limit.

The three different fee structures allow you to select the fee structure that best suits your needs. The Unit class which is best for a particular Account Owner will depend on a number of factors, such as the amount invested and the length of time between your investment and the Designated Beneficiary's expected use of the Account. Account Owners should consult with their financial professional regarding the suitability of an investment in a particular class of Units of the Plan for the Account Owner's particular circumstances. You should work with your financial professional to determine the class of Units that is appropriate for you. The fee structure for each class of Units is set forth below under *PART IV – ACCOUNT AND PORTFOLIO FEES AND EXPENSES - Plan Fee and Expense Information*.

Class L Units automatically convert to Class A Units after they have been held for ten years, on or about the 18th of each month. Following conversion, converted Units are subject to the fee structures applicable to Class A Units. There will be no initial sales charge or CDSC imposed for Class L Units that convert to Class A Units.

You must select the class of Units to purchase each time an initial contribution is made to a Portfolio. Until the Plan receives new instructions from you, all subsequent contributions to that Portfolio will be invested in that class.

Below is a summary of the fees of the different Classes of Units. All Portfolios are also subject to the applicable Underlying Investment Expenses.

Class A Units

- Initial Sales Charge of up to 3.00%
- Annual Program Management Fee of 0.35% of Portfolio assets for Year of Enrollment and Asset Allocation Portfolios, and 0.30% of Portfolio Assets for Custom iShares Portfolios and the FDIC Insured Portfolio.
- Annual Sales Fee of 0.25%
- State Administration Fee of 0.05%
- Annual Account Maintenance Fee of $10

Class L Units

- No initial sales charge
- Annual Program Management Fee of 0.35% of Portfolio assets for Year of Enrollment and Asset Allocation Portfolios, and 0.30% of Portfolio Assets for Custom iShares Portfolios and the FDIC Insured Portfolio.
- Annual Sales Fee of 0.60%
- State Administration Fee of 0.05%
- Annual Account Maintenance Fee of $10

Class F Units

- No initial sales charge
- No Annual Sales Fee
- Program Management Fee of 0.35% of Portfolio assets for Year of Enrollment and Asset Allocation Portfolios, and 0.30% of Portfolio Assets for Custom iShares Portfolios and the FDIC Insured Portfolio.
- State Administration Fee of 0.05%
- Annual Account Maintenance Fee of $10

Class F Units are currently available only to Account Owners investing through a Financial Intermediary that has entered into a written agreement with Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC to offer Class F Units on a platform that charges commissions and fees directly to Account Owners outside of the Plan, and to employees of BlackRock and Ascensus.

You should contact your Financial Intermediary about any commissions charged by them on your purchase of Class F Units.

OTHER CHARGES

Sales Charges – Class A Units

Each Contribution into Class A Units is charged a maximum initial sales charge of up to 3.00%, substantially all of which will be paid to the broker or other Financial Intermediary through which the Account Owner makes the investment. Some investments may qualify for discounts or waivers on the initial sales charge (see *Reducing or Eliminating Your Initial Sales Charge* just below). There is no initial sales charge on the Savings Portfolio. All or a substantial portion of these sales charges will be paid to the Financial Intermediary through which participants invest in the Brighter Future Advisor 529 Plan, as described in the Class A Units – Breakpoints table below.

As explained below, a contingent deferred sales charge of 1.00% is assessed on certain withdrawals of investments in Class A Units (excluding investments in the Savings Portfolio) made within 18 months after purchase where no Initial Sales Charge was paid at time of purchase as part of an investment of $1,000,000 or more.

Reducing or Eliminating Your Initial Sales Charge

The initial sales charge may be waived for certain Account Owners, including:

- Direct rollovers initiated from other Intermediary Plans into the Plan and direct transfers from other Plan Accounts may be eligible to be invested in Class A Units of the Plan without an initial sales charge. This initial sales charge waiver applies only if the rollover amount represents proceeds from a withdrawal of units invested in a unit class with an initial sales charge (*e.g.*, Class A Units) and under certain other circumstances and is only available through certain Financial Intermediaries. Check with your financial professional to see if you are eligible for the waiver before initiating a rollover. For indirect rollovers to be eligible for the sales charge waiver, the Plan requires proof that the assets were previously held in another 529 plan and invested in a unit class with an initial sales charge.
- Present or former officers and directors, trustees and employees (and any Member of the Family of such person) of the Program Manager, Distributor, and their respective affiliates. Such individuals must invest in the Plan through a Financial Intermediary.
- Registered representatives and other employees (and any immediate family member of such person) of broker-dealers with whom the Program Distributor has entered into a selling agreement, and employees (and any immediate family member of such person) of investment management firms whose funds are Underlying Funds and employees of Program Manager or its affiliates.
- Other investors at the discretion of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.
- Contributions to an existing Account held directly with the Plan that does not have a Financial Intermediary associated with the Account.

Breakpoints

The initial sales charge schedule applicable to investments in Class A Units of all Portfolios, and the corresponding dealer allowance, is as shown in the table below:

Investment Amount	**Initial Sales Charge (as % of Contribution)***	**Initial Sales Charge (as % of net amount invested)***	**Dealer Reallowance (%)**	**Distribution Agent Portion (as % of public offering price)****
Less than $99,999	3.00	3.09	2.75	0.25
$100,000 to $249,999	2.50	2.56	2.25	0.25
$250,000 to $499,999	2.00	2.04	1.75	0.25
$500,000 to $999,999	1.50	1.52	1.25	0.25
$1 million or greater	0.00	0.00	0.00	---

* Because of rounding in the calculation of offering price and the number of shares purchased, actual sales charges you pay may be more or less than these percentages.

** Ascensus receives this portion of the initial sales charge collected for its provision of distribution and sales support services. In addition to the Dealer Reallowance specified above, Ascensus may make payments out of this portion of the initial sales charge to selected Financial Advisors for certain promotional and distribution activities.

There is no initial sales charge on the Savings Portfolio.

Additionally, the initial sales charge can be reduced or eliminated through one or a combination of the following: a Letter of Intent, the Right of Accumulation or the Reinstatement Privilege (each described below).

You should note that while larger Contributions to the Plan may qualify for breakpoint discounts, they may also be subject to federal gift taxation if the Contribution exceeds the applicable exclusion amount.

Reductions or eliminations through the Right of Accumulation or Letter of Intent will apply to the value of all holdings owned by (a) the Account Owner and/or (b) the Account Owner's spouse and any children for the benefit of any such individuals ("Qualifying Holdings"). For this purpose, the value of an Account Owner's holdings means the offering price of the newly purchased shares or units (including any applicable sales charge) plus the current value (including any sales charges paid) of all other shares or units the Account Owner already holds taken together.

Right of Accumulation

Account Owners have a "Right of Accumulation" under which the current value of an Account Owner's Qualifying Holdings may be combined with the amount of the current Contribution in determining whether an investor qualifies for a breakpoint and a reduced Initial Sales Charge on applicable Class A Units. Financial Intermediaries may value current holdings of their customers differently for purposes of determining whether an investor qualifies for a breakpoint and a reduced Initial Sales Charge. To exercise this right, the Account Owner must inform the Plan of the existence of any previously purchased shares. Restrictions may apply to certain accounts and transactions.

Letter of Intent

Account Owners may also reduce the Initial Sales Charge on current purchases of Class A Units of the Plan by submitting a Letter of Intent to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. A "Letter of Intent" is a written statement of an Account Owner's intention to invest a specified dollar amount in Accounts in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan established by the Account Owner in the Plan during a 13-month period (the "Letter Period"). The Letter Period commences on the day that the Letter of Intent is received by the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, and the Account Owner must tell the Plan that later purchases are subject to the Letter of Intent. The market value of current holdings of Class A, Class L and Class F Units included in the Account Owner's Account(s) as of the date of commencement of the Letter Period that are eligible under the Right of Accumulation may be counted towards the sales charge reduction.

Under a Letter of Intent, you may be able to reduce the sales charge rate that applies to your purchases of Class A Units of the Plan if you purchase other Class A Units, Class L Units or Class F Units. The sales charge on each purchase of Class A Units during the Letter period will be at the rate that would apply to a single lump-sum purchase of Units in the amount intended to be purchased under the Letter of Intent. In submitting a Letter of Intent, the Account Owner makes no commitment to purchase Units. However, if the Account Owner does not fulfill the terms of the Letter of Intent by the end of the Letter Period, he or she agrees to pay the additional Initial Sales Charges that would have been applicable to the Class A Unit purchases that were made. In addition, any withdrawals made during the Letter Period would count against the Letter of Intent. During the Letter Period, the Plan will hold Class A Units representing up to 5% of the indicated amount in an escrow account for payment of a higher sales charge if the full amount indicated in the Letter of Intent is not purchased. If the full amount indicated is not purchased within the 13-month period, the Plan will redeem enough of the Class A Units to pay the difference.

Reinstatement Privilege

If an Account Owner withdraws an investment in Class A Units within the Plan, and within 60 days buys new Class A Units, equal to all or a portion of the Distribution amount, the Account Owner will not pay a sales charge on the new purchase amount. The right (the "Reinstatement Privilege") may be exercised twice per year and only within 60 days of the withdrawal. The Reinstatement Privilege only applies if the Brighter Future Advisor Plan is notified that a Contribution qualifies for a reduced Initial Sales Charge at the time the Contribution is made. The reduced Initial Sales Charge will be granted upon confirmation that an Initial Sales Charge or contingent deferred sales charge was paid in connection with the redeemed amount. The Plan may amend, suspend or cease offering the Reinvestment Privilege at any time as to Units redeemed after the date of such amendment, suspension or cessation.

Contingent Deferred Sales Charge

A contingent deferred sales charge of 1.00% is assessed on certain withdrawals of investments in Class A Units made within 18 months after purchase where no Initial Sales Charge was paid at time of purchase as part of an investment of $1,000,000 or more. There is no contingent deferred sales charge on the Savings Portfolio. For each Contribution, the deferred sales charge will apply to the lower of the original value of the Contribution and the then current market value at the time of Distribution. The deferred sales charge will not apply to appreciation in value of a Contribution above its original value.

The contingent deferred sales charge does not apply to withdrawals:

- used to pay the annual Account Maintenance Fees;
- resulting from liquidation of your Account for failure to meet minimum Contribution requirements;
- of amounts invested in Class A Units purchased at NAV as part of a corporate or employer sponsored payroll deduction plan;
- made within one year of the death of the Designated Beneficiary or Account Owner; and
- due to disability (post purchase) of the Designated Beneficiary or Account Owner.

In addition, the contingent deferred sales charge will be partially waived for Qualified Withdrawals made through the systematic withdrawal program.

The Plan reserves the right to amend or eliminate the sale charge reductions or waivers described above at any time by amending the Program Description.

All or a substantial portion of the sales charges may be paid to the Financial Intermediary through which Account Owners invest in the Plan.

Penalties for Account Owner Misrepresentations

The Brighter Future Advisor Plan reserves the right to terminate an Account and to charge a penalty of up to fifteen percent (15%) on the investment earnings of the Account in the event that an Account Owner makes any material misrepresentations in any oral or written communication with the Committee or the Program Manager. Other civil and criminal penalties may apply for fraudulent misrepresentations.

PLAN FEE AND EXPENSE INFORMATION

Class A Units

Class A Units are sold with an Initial Sales Charge.

PORTFOLIOS	ANNUAL ASSET-BASED FEES				TOTAL ANNUAL ASSET-BASED FEE[2]	ADDITIONAL INVESTOR EXPENSES	
	ESTIMATED UNDERLYING INVESTMENT EXPENSES[1]	STATE ADMINISTRATION FEE	PROGRAM MANAGEMENT FEE	ANNUAL SALES FEE		MAXIMUM INITIAL SALES CHARGE[3]	ANNUAL ACCOUNT MAINTENANCE FEE[4]
iShares College Portfolio	0.13%	0.05%	0.35%	0.25%	0.78%	1.75%	$10
iShares 2027 College Portfolio	0.08%	0.05%	0.35%	0.25%	0.73%	3.00%	$10
iShares 2030 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.25%	0.72%	3.00%	$10
iShares 2033 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.25%	0.72%	3.00%	$10
iShares 2036 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.25%	0.72%	3.00%	$10
iShares 2039 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.25%	0.72%	3.00%	$10
iShares 2042 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.25%	0.72%	3.00%	$10
iShares Aggressive Portfolio	0.06%	0.05%	0.35%	0.25%	0.71%	3.00%	$10
iShares Moderate Portfolio	0.06%	0.05%	0.35%	0.25%	0.71%	3.00%	$10
iShares Conservative Portfolio	0.05%	0.05%	0.35%	0.25%	0.70%	3.00%	$10
iShares Fixed Income Portfolio	0.08%	0.05%	0.35%	0.25%	0.73%	3.00%	$10
iShares Russell 1000 Portfolio	0.15%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.75%	3.00%	$10
iShares Russell 2000 Portfolio	0.19%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.79%	3.00%	$10
iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market Portfolio	0.03%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.63%	3.00%	$10
iShares Core High Dividend Portfolio	0.08%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.68%	3.00%	$10
iShares Core U.S. REIT Portfolio	0.08%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.68%	3.00%	$10
iShares Core MSCI EAFE Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.67%	3.00%	$10
iShares Core MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China Portfolio	0.25%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.85%	3.00%	$10
iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor Portfolio	0.20%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.80%	3.00%	$10

PORTFOLIOS	ANNUAL ASSET-BASED FEES				TOTAL ANNUAL ASSET-BASED FEE[2]	ADDITIONAL INVESTOR EXPENSES	
	ESTIMATED UNDERLYING INVESTMENT EXPENSES[1]	STATE ADMINISTRATION FEE	PROGRAM MANAGEMENT FEE	ANNUAL SALES FEE		MAXIMUM INITIAL SALES CHARGE[3]	ANNUAL ACCOUNT MAINTENANCE FEE[4]
iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond Portfolio	0.03%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.63%	3.00%	$10
iShares TIPS Bond Portfolio	0.18%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.78%	3.00%	$10
iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond Portfolio	0.15%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.75%	3.00%	$10
iShares Short Treasury Bond Portfolio	0.15%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.75%	3.00%	$10
iShares 1-5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	0.04%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.64%	3.00%	$10
iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	0.14%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	0.74%	3.00%	$10
iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond Portfolio	0.49%	0.05%	0.30%	0.25%	1.09%	3.00%	$10
Savings Portfolio	0.00%	0.05%	0.30%	0.00%[5]	0.35%	N/A	$10

[1] The "Estimated Underlying Investment Expenses" include the underlying ETF's management fee, any distribution or service fees, and operating and other expenses, and any applicable fee waivers and expense reimbursements, as of May 1, 2026. If fee waivers or expense reimbursements are discontinued, the "Estimated Underlying Investment Expenses" will increase. The "Estimated Underlying Investment Expenses" for each underlying ETF, are based on the expenses for each ETF's most recent prospectus as of April 1, 2026, and calculated as a percentage of each ETF's average net assets. Estimated underlying investment expenses may fluctuate.

[2] "Total annual asset-based fees" are the estimated total fees assessed against assets over the course of a year as of April 1, 2026, and do not include sales charges or the "annual account maintenance fee." The "Hypothetical Cost of a $10,000 Investment" section of the Program Description shows the approximate costs of investing in each of the Plan's Portfolios over 1-, 3-, 5-, and 10-year periods.

[3] A contingent deferred sales charge of 1.00% is assessed on certain Withdrawals of investments in Class A Units made within 18 months after purchase where no initial sales charge was paid at time of purchase as part of an investment of $1,000,000 or more. See *Contingent Deferred Sales Charge*. In addition, certain other transaction fees may be assessed.

[4] A $10 Annual Account Maintenance Fee is assessed per Account. The Annual Account Maintenance Fee is waived for Accounts where the combined account balance for the same Account Owner and Designated Beneficiary is equal to or greater than $20,000 as of the business day prior to the fee assessment.

Class L Units

Class L Units are sold without an Initial Sales Charge. The full amount of each Contribution is invested in the Account.

PORTFOLIOS	ANNUAL ASSET-BASED FEES				TOTAL ANNUAL ASSET-BASED FEE[2]	ADDITIONAL INVESTOR EXPENSES
	ESTIMATED UNDERLYING INVESTMENT EXPENSES[1]	STATE ADMINISTRATION FEE	PROGRAM MANAGEMENT FEE	ANNUAL SALES FEE		ANNUAL ACCOUNT MAINTENANCE FEE[3]
iShares College Portfolio	0.13%	0.05%	0.35%	0.60%	1.13%	$10
iShares 2027 College Portfolio	0.08%	0.05%	0.35%	0.60%	1.08%	$10
iShares 2030 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.60%	1.07%	$10
iShares 2033 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.60%	1.07%	$10
iShares 2036 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.60%	1.07%	$10
iShares 2039 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.60%	1.07%	$10
iShares 2042 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.60%	1.07%	$10
iShares Aggressive Portfolio	0.06%	0.05%	0.35%	0.60%	1.06%	$10
iShares Moderate Portfolio	0.06%	0.05%	0.35%	0.60%	1.06%	$10
iShares Conservative Portfolio	0.05%	0.05%	0.35%	0.60%	1.05%	$10
iShares Fixed Income Portfolio	0.08%	0.05%	0.35%	0.60%	1.08%	$10
iShares Russell 1000 Portfolio	0.15%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	1.10%	$10
iShares Russell 2000 Portolio	0.19%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	1.14%	$10
iShares Core S&P Total-U.S. Stock Market Portfolio	0.03%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	0.98%	$10
iShares Core High Dividend Portfolio	0.08%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	1.03%	$10
iShares Core U.S. REIT Portfolio	0.08%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	1.03%	$10
iShares Core MSCI EAFE Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	1.02%	$10
iShares Core MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China Portfolio	0.25%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	1.20%	$10
iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor Portfolio	0.20%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	0.85%	$10
iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond Portfolio	0.03%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	0.98%	$10
iShares TIPS Bond Portfolio	0.18%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	1.13%	$10
iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond Portfolio	0.15%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	1.10%	$10
iShares Short Treasury Bond Portfolio	0.15%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	1.10%	$10
iShares 1 – 5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	0.04%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	0.99%	$10
iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	0.14%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	1.04%	$10
iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond Portfolio	0.49%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	1.39%	$10
Savings Portfolio	0.00%	0.05%	0.30%	0.00%[4]	0.35%	$10

[1] The "Estimated Underlying Investment Expenses" include the underlying ETF's management fee, any distribution or service fees, and operating and other expenses, and any applicable fee waivers and expense reimbursements based on the expenses set forth in each ETF's most recent prospectus as of April 1, 2026, and calculated as a percentage of each ETF's average net assets. If fee waivers or expense reimbursements are discontinued the "Estimated Underlying Investment Expenses" will increase.

[2] The "Total Annual Asset-Based Fees" are the estimated total fees assessed against assets over the course of a year as of April 1, 2026, and do not include sales charges or the "Annual Account Maintenance Fee." The "Hypothetical Cost of a $10,000 Investment" section of the Program Description shows the approximate costs of investing in each of the Plan's Portfolios over 1-, 3-, 5-, and 10-year periods.

[3] A $10 Annual Account Maintenance Fee is assessed per Account. The Annual Account Maintenance Fee is waived for Accounts where the combined Account balance for the same Account Owner and Designated Beneficiary is equal to or greater than $20,000 as of the business day prior to the fee assessment.

[4] The Annual Sales Fee on the Savings Portfolio is currently being waived by the Plan. This waiver may be discontinued at any time without notice. If the waiver is discontinued an Annual Sales Fee of up to 0.60% will be assessed. The Savings Portfolio invests all of its assets in the Sallie Mae HYSA. The HYSA is held in an omnibus savings account insured by the FDIC, which is held in trust by the Committee at Sallie Mae Bank. Contributions to and earnings on the investments in the Savings Portfolio are insured by the FDIC on a pass-through basis to each Account Owner up to the maximum amount set by federal law—currently $250,000. The amount of FDIC insurance provided to an Account Owner is based on the total of (a) the value of an Account Owner's investment in the Savings Portfolio; and (b) the value of all other accounts held by the Account Owner at Sallie Mae Bank, as determined by Sallie Mae Bank and FDIC regulations.

Class F Units

Class F Units are sold without an Initial Sales Charge. The full amount of each Contribution is invested in the Account. Class F Units have specific eligibility requirements for investment.

PORTFOLIOS	ANNUAL ASSET-BASED FEES			TOTAL ANNUAL ASSET-BASED FEE[2]	ADDITIONAL INVESTOR EXPENSES
	ESTIMATED UNDERLYING INVESTMENT EXPENSES[1]	STATE ADMINISTRATION FEE	PROGRAM MANAGEMENT FEE		ANNUAL ACCOUNT MAINTENANCE FEE[3]
iShares College Portfolio	0.13%	0.05%	0.35%	0.53%	$10
iShares 2027 College Portfolio	0.08%	0.05%	0.35%	0.48%	$10
iShares 2030 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.47%	$10
iShares 2033 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.47%	$10
iShares 2036 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.47%	$10
iShares 2039 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.47%	$10
iShares 2042 College Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.35%	0.47%	$10
iShares Aggressive Portfolio	0.06%	0.05%	0.35%	0.46%	$10
iShares Moderate Portfolio	0.06%	0.05%	0.35%	0.46%	$10
iShares Conservative Portfolio	0.05%	0.05%	0.35%	0.45%	$10
iShares Fixed Income Portfolio	0.08%	0.05%	0.35%	0.48%	$10
iShares Russell 1000 Portfolio	0.15%	0.05%	0.30%	0.50%	$10
iShares Russell 2000 Portfolio	0.19%	0.05%	0.30%	0.54%	$10
iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market Portfolio	0.03%	0.05%	0.30%	0.38%	$10
iShares Core High Dividend Portfolio	0.08%	0.05%	0.30%	0.43%	$10
iShares Core U.S. REIT Portfolio	0.08%	0.05%	0.30%	0.43%	$10
iShares Core MSCI EAFE Portfolio	0.07%	0.05%	0.30%	0.42%	$10
iShares Core MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China Portfolio	0.25%	0.05%	0.30%	0.60%	$10
iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor Portfolio	0.20%	0.05%	0.30%	0.55%	$10
iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond Portfolio	0.03%	0.05%	0.30%	0.38%	$10

PORTFOLIOS	ANNUAL ASSET-BASED FEES			TOTAL ANNUAL ASSET-BASED FEE[2]	ADDITIONAL INVESTOR EXPENSES
	ESTIMATED UNDERLYING INVESTMENT EXPENSES[1]	STATE ADMINISTRATION FEE	PROGRAM MANAGEMENT FEE		ANNUAL ACCOUNT MAINTENANCE FEE[3]
iShares TIPS Bond Portfolio	0.18%	0.05%	0.30%	0.53%	$10
iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond Portfolio	0.15%	0.05%	0.30%	0.50%	$10
iShares Short Treasury Bond Portfolio	0.15%	0.05%	0.30%	0.50%	$10
iShares 1-5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	0.04%	0.05%	0.30%	0.39%	$10
iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	0.14%	0.05%	0.30%	0.49%	$10
iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond Portfolio	0.49%	0.05%	0.30%	0.84%	$10
Savings Portfolio	0.00%	0.05%	0.30%	0.35%	$10

[1] The "Estimated Underlying Investment Expenses" include the underlying ETF's management fee, any distribution or service fees, and operating and other expenses, and any applicable fee waivers and expense reimbursements based on the expenses set forth in each ETF's most recent prospectus as of April 1, 2026, and calculated as a percentage of each ETF's average net assets. If fee waivers or expense reimbursements are discontinued the "Estimated Underlying Investment Expenses" will increase.

[2] The "Total Annual Asset-Based Fees" are the estimated total fees assessed against assets over the course of a year as of April 1, 2026, and do not include sales charges or the "Annual Account Maintenance Fee." The "Hypothetical Cost of a $10,000 Investment" section of the Program Description shows the approximate costs of investing in each of the Plan's Portfolios over 1-, 3-, 5-, and 10-year periods.

[3] A $10 Annual Account Maintenance Fee is assessed per Account. The Annual Account Maintenance Fee is waived for Accounts where the combined Account balance for the same Account Owner and Designated Beneficiary is equal to or greater than $20,000 as of the business day prior to the fee assessment.

Hypothetical Cost of a $10,000 Investment

The following table shows hypothetical expense examples of what you may pay when you buy and hold Program Units, and when you make Withdrawals from the Plan. Your actual costs may be higher or lower. Portfolios have varying fees and expenses and the Underlying Funds in which the Portfolios invest have varying annual operating expenses. As a result, each Portfolio's annual fees and expenses will vary from each other as demonstrated in the preceding tables.

These examples are entirely hypothetical and are presented for illustrative purposes only. They are not a prediction of your actual expenses, which will vary from the examples. The following table compares the approximate cost of investing over different periods of time in the Portfolios.

The expense examples are calculated in the manner that mutual funds use to calculate their expense examples. The table assumes the following:

- A $10,000 investment invested for the time periods shown.
- A 5% annually compounded rate of return on the net amount invested throughout the period.
- All Units are redeemed at the end of the period shown for Qualified Higher Education Expenses (the table does not consider the impact of any potential federal, state or local taxes on the redemption).
- The Total Annual Asset-Based Fees remain the same as those shown in the expense tables above.
- Expenses for each Portfolio include the entire Annual Account Maintenance Fee of $10. This annual fee, if applicable, is only imposed once per Account, regardless of the number of Portfolios in your Account.
- The Account Owner pays the applicable maximum initial sales charge (without regard to possible breakpoint discounts) for Class A Units.

Portfolio	Class	Expense with $10 annual account fee 1 Year	3 Year	5 Year	10 Year
iShares College Portfolio	Class F	$64	$200	$346	$763
	Class A	$263	$440	$620	$1,141
	Class L	$125	$389	$671	$1,469
iShares 2027 Portfolio	Class F	$59	$184	$318	$701
	Class A	$382	$546	$713	$1,196
	Class L	$120	$373	$644	$1,412
iShares 2030 Portfolio	Class F	$58	$179	$310	$683
	Class A	$381	$542	$705	$1,179
	Class L	$119	$369	$636	$1,395
iShares 2033 Portfolio	Class F	$58	$179	$310	$683
	Class A	$381	$542	$705	$1,179
	Class L	$119	$369	$637	$1,395
iShares 2036 Portfolio	Class F	$58	$179	$310	$683
	Class A	$381	$542	$705	$1,179
	Class L	$119	$369	$637	$1,395
iShares 2039 Portfolio	Class F	$58	$179	$310	$684
	Class A	$381	$542	$705	$1,179
	Class L	$119	$369	$637	$1,395
iShares 2042 Portfolio	Class F	$58	$179	$310	$684
	Class A	$381	$542	$706	$1,179
	Class L	$119	$369	$637	$1,395
iShares Aggressive Portfolio	Class F	$57	$179	$309	$682
	Class A	$381	$541	$705	$1,177
	Class L	$118	$368	$636	$1,393
iShares Moderate Portfolio	Class F	$57	$177	$306	$675
	Class A	$380	$540	$702	$1,171
	Class L	$118	$367	$633	$1,387
iShares Conservative Portfolio	Class F	$56	$174	$301	$664
	Class A	$379	$537	$697	$1,160
	Class L	$117	$364	$628	$1,376
iShares Fixed Portfolio	Class F	$59	$184	$319	$703
	Class A	$382	$547	$714	$1,198
	Class L	$120	$374	$645	$1,414
iShares Russell 1000 Portfolio	Class F	$61	$190	$329	$726
	Class A	$384	$552	$724	$1,219
	Class L	$122	$379	$655	$1,435
iShares Russell 2000 Portfolio	Class F	$65	$203	$351	$774
	Class A	$388	$565	$745	$1,265
	Class L	$126	$392	$676	$1,480

		Expense with $10 annual account fee			
Portfolio	**Class**	**1 Year**	**3 Year**	**5 Year**	**10 Year**
iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market Portfolio	Class F	$49	$152	$263	$578
	Class A	$372	$515	$660	$1,079
	Class L	$110	$342	$591	$1,296
iShares Core High Dividend Portfolio	Class F	$54	$168	$290	$640
	Class A	$377	$531	$687	$1,138
	Class L	$115	$357	$618	$1,354
iShares Core U.S. REIT Portfolio	Class F	$54	$168	$290	$640
	Class A	$377	$531	$687	$1,138
	Class L	$115	$357	$618	$1,354
iShares Core MSCI EAFE Portfolio	Class F	$53	$165	$285	$628
	Class A	$376	$528	$681	$1,126
	Class L	$114	$354	$612	$1,343
iShares Core MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China Portfolio	Class F	$71	$222	$384	$847
	Class A	$394	$583	$776	$1,333
	Class L	$132	$411	$708	$1,548
iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor Portfolio	Class F	$92	$285	$493	$1,086
	Class A	$414	$644	$881	$1,559
	Class L	$153	$473	$814	$1,773
iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond Portfolio	Class F	$49	$152	$263	$578
	Class A	$372	$515	$660	$1,079
	Class L	$110	$342	$591	$1,296
iShares TIPS Bond Portfolio	Class F	$64	$200	$346	$762
	Class A	$387	$561	$739	$1,253
	Class L	$125	$389	$671	$1,469
iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond Portfolio	Class F	$61	$190	$329	$726
	Class A	$384	$552	$724	$1,219
	Class L	$122	$379	$655	$1,435
iShares Short Treasury Bond Portfolio	Class F	$61	$190	$329	$726
	Class A	$384	$552	$724	$1,219
	Class L	$122	$379	$655	$1,435
iShares 1 – 5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	Class F	$50	$155	$268	$591
	Class A	$373	$519	$665	$1,091
	Class L	$111	$345	$596	$1,308
iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond Portfolio	Class F	$60	$187	$324	$713
	Class A	$383	$549	$718	$1,207
	Class L	$121	$376	$650	$1,423
iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Bond Portfolio	Class F	$96	$298	$515	$1,133
	Class A	$418	$656	$902	$1,603
	Class L	$157	$485	$835	$1,817
Savings Portfolio	Class F	$46	$142	$246	$541
	Class A	$46	$142	$246	$541
	Class L	$46	$142	$246	$541

FEES PAID BY ASCENSUS BROKER DEALER SERVICES, LLC TO BROKER-DEALERS AND FINANCIAL INTERMEDIARIES FOR DISTRIBUTION

Financial Intermediaries through which Account Owners invest in the Plan will receive compensation for their services from Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC, as described below. The "Dealer Reallowance" is the sales commission paid to the applicable Financial Intermediary at the time a Contribution is made to an Account. The Dealer Reallowance paid to the Financial Intermediaries for Class A Units is the portion of the initial sales charge paid by the Account Owner that Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC will pay to the applicable Financial Intermediary. The Dealer Reallowance paid to Financial Intermediaries for Class A Units purchased without an initial sales charge will be paid by Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC out of its own assets, including from the Annual Sales Fee. The ongoing sales fee will begin in the 13th month after the Contribution, not immediately. The annual sales fee is an ongoing fee, at an annualized rate, that the Financial Intermediary will receive from Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC provided the Financial Intermediary satisfies certain requirements specified in its contract with Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC. If Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC waives a portion of its fees under the Plan, the fees paid by Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC to Financial Intermediaries for distribution may be reduced or eliminated.

These fee arrangements may be revised, subject to approval by the Committee.

PART V. FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT

This section summarizes certain key aspects of the federal and state tax treatment of contributions to, and withdrawals from, 529 Plan accounts. The information provided below is not exhaustive. It is based on the Brighter Future Advisor Plan's understanding of current law and regulatory interpretations relating to 529 Plans generally and is meant to provide Account Owners with general background about the tax characteristics of these programs. **This section and all other statements in this Program Description (i) are not intended as individual tax advice to any person (including any Account Owner or Designated Beneficiary), (ii) are provided as general information in connection with the promotion or marketing of the Brighter Future Advisor** Plan**, and (iii) are not provided or intended to be used, and cannot be used by any taxpayer for the purpose of avoiding the payment of U.S. federal and state taxes.**

The summary tax and legal description provided below is based on the Code, and proposed Treasury regulations in effect as of the date of this Program Description, as well as other administrative guidance and announcements issued by the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS") and the U.S. Department of Treasury. It is also based upon the Arkansas Code and the Arkansas income tax regulations. It is possible that Congress, the U.S. Department of Treasury, the IRS, the Arkansas State Legislature, the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration, or federal or state courts may take action that will affect the tax treatment of 529 Plan contributions, earnings, withdrawals, or the availability of state tax deductions. Individual state legislation may also affect the state tax treatment of a 529 Plan for residents of that state.

The Brighter Future Advisor Plan strongly encourages Account Owners and Designated Beneficiaries to consult with their tax advisors regarding the tax consequences of contributing money to, withdrawing money from, or taking other actions with respect to a Brighter Future Advisor Plan Account.

Although investors that are not resident in Arkansas may invest in the Plan, it should be noted that there are generally significant potential state tax advantages and other state benefits, such as matching grant and scholarship opportunities, protection from creditors and exemption from state financial aid calculations, for investors who invest in 529 plans in their state of residence. If you are not an Arkansas resident taxpayer, consider before investing whether your or the Designated Beneficiary's home state offers a 529 Plan that will provide you with more of these benefits. Since different states have different tax provisions, this Program Description contains limited general information about the state tax consequences of investing in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan under Arkansas law. Therefore, please consult your financial, tax, or other advisor to learn more about how state-based benefits (or any limitations) would apply to your specific circumstances. You also may wish to contact your home state's 529 plan(s), or any other 529 plan, to learn more about those plans' features, benefits and limitations. Keep in mind that state-based benefits should be one of many appropriately weighted factors to be considered when making an investment decision.

GENERAL 529 PLAN TAX TREATMENT

Among the most notable tax advantages of 529 Plans is that the earnings portion of a Qualified Withdrawal is exempt from federal and generally from state taxes. To be eligible for these tax benefits, the funds from a 529 Plan account must be used to pay the Qualified Higher Education Expenses of the Designated Beneficiary. Certain Qualified Withdrawals used to pay Qualified Higher Education Expenses are also exempt from Arkansas state taxes for Arkansas taxpayers. The terms "Qualified Withdrawal" and "Qualified Higher Education Expenses" are defined in *KEY TERMS*.

529 PLAN CONTRIBUTION AND WITHDRAWALS

Contributions

Federal law does not allow a tax deduction for contributions to 529 plans. However, Arkansas generally allows individuals a state income tax deduction for Arkansas taxpayers contributing to an Arkansas 529 plan (see *PART V – FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT - State Tax Treatment* below). Additionally, certain tax considerations apply to the method of contribution to an Account. See *PART I – OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT - CONTRIBUTIONS*. The income earned on such contributions generally grows federal and Arkansas income tax-free until distributed.

The Program Manager will treat contributions sent by U.S. mail as having been made in a given year if checks are received or postmarked on or before December 31 of the applicable year, provided the checks are subsequently paid. To ensure an acceptable postmark is applied you may visit a retail office and request a postmark from a U.S. Postal Service associate. With respect to EBT Contributions, for tax purposes the Program Manager will treat Contributions received by the Brighter Future Advisor Plan in a given year as having been made in that year if they are initiated on or before December 31 of such year, provided the funds are successfully deducted from the designated checking or savings account. Contributions made pursuant to a recurring contribution will generally be considered received by the Plan in the year the recurring contribution debit has been deducted from an Account Owner's checking or savings account. Please note that recurring contributions with a debit date of January 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th may be credited in the same year as the debit date (See *PART I – OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT - Recurring Contribution (an automatic investment plan or AIP*).

Regardless of the calendar year for which a Contribution is deductible, the trade date of the Contribution (and thus the price of the Portfolio Units purchased with the Contribution) will be determined based on the day the Program Manager receives the Contribution, and with respect to recurring contributions and EBT Contributions on the business day before the bank debit occurs, with the exception noted above for recurring contributions with a debit date of January 1st, 2nd, 3rd, or 4th.

Withdrawals

Qualified Withdrawals (i.e., withdrawals used to pay for the Qualified Higher Education Expenses of a Designated Beneficiary) and qualified rollovers are not subject to federal income taxation, and Qualified Withdrawals used for attendance or enrollment at an Eligible Educational Institution, K-12 Tuition, Registered Apprenticeship Expenses, and Qualified Education Loan Expenses are not subject to Arkansas state income tax for Arkansas residents. Qualified Withdrawals used for K-12 Expenses other than tuition or Postsecondary Credentialing Expenses, however, will trigger a deduction recapture under current Arkansas state income tax law.

The earnings portion of Non-Qualified Withdrawals is subject to all applicable federal and state income taxes and, in most cases, the Additional 10% Federal Tax on earnings. The Additional 10% Federal Tax does not apply to certain withdrawals made due to (1) the death of the Designated Beneficiary; (2) the disability of the Designated Beneficiary; (3) the Designated Beneficiary's attendance at a U.S. Military Academy; (4) receipt of a scholarship, allowance, or similar payment, but only to the extent of such payment; and (5) amounts not treated as Qualified Withdrawals due to the use of federal education tax credits; (see *PART VI – MAKING WITHDRAWALS - Non-Qualified Withdrawals That Are Exempt from the Additional 10% Federal Tax* and *American Opportunity Tax Credits and Lifetime Learning Credits*).

The income earned on contributions to 529 Plans may generally grow free of federal and Arkansas income tax until distributed. Qualified Withdrawals, qualified rollovers and refunds from Eligible Educational Institutions that are recontributed to a 529 Plan within 60 days of the date of the refund are not subject to federal income taxation and may be treated as a deductible contribution for Arkansas income tax purposes.

QUALIFIED TAX TREATMENT OF ROLLOVERS

Qualified Rollovers

An Account Owner may generally transfer all or part of the funds in a 529 Plan account to an account in another state's 529 Plan without adverse federal income tax consequences if, within sixty (60) days of the withdrawal from the distributing account, such funds are transferred to or deposited into an account in another state's 529 Plan for the benefit of (1) an individual who is a Member of the Family (defined in *PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT – Member of the Family*) of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary; or (2) the same Designated Beneficiary, but only if no other rollover has been made to any qualified tuition program for the benefit of such individual within the preceding 12 months. Transfers between 529 Plans sponsored by the State of Arkansas are not subject to this rule but are subject to certain other restrictions. See *PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT –Changing Investment Options*.

There may be federal gift tax, estate tax, or GST tax consequences in connection with changing the Designated Beneficiary of a 529 Plan account. Note that if the new Designated Beneficiary belongs to a younger generation than the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary, the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary or the Account Owner may be liable for gift or GST tax. For more information on gift and GST taxes, see *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT - Federal Gift and Estate Taxes*.

Any portion of a rollover distribution transferred into another 529 Plan not sponsored by the State of Arkansas will be subject to recapture of previous Arkansas state income tax deductions taken for Contributions to a Brighter Future Advisor Plan Account. See *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT – State Tax Treatment*.

Transfers between accounts for the same Designated Beneficiary within the same 529 Plan (or in different 529 Plans offered by the same state) are treated as investment reallocations subject to the “twice-per-calendar-year” limitation, but must be made directly between the accounts, without being withdrawn and recontributed, to avoid adverse tax consequences.

Rollovers from Coverdell Education Savings Accounts and Qualified U.S. Savings Bonds

An individual may generally transfer into a 529 Plan account, without adverse federal income tax consequences, all or part of: (1) money from a Coverdell Education Savings account described in section 530 of the Code; or (2) the proceeds from the redemption of a Qualified U.S. Savings Bond described in section 135 of the Code.

Rollovers from 529 Plans to ABLE Programs

An ABLE account is an account as defined in Section 529A(e)(6) of the Code that is generally used to pay for qualified disability expenses of a Designated Beneficiary in accordance with a program established under Section 529A of the Code and sponsored by a state or state agency.

Rollovers from a 529 Plan account to an ABLE account for the same Designated Beneficiary or to another Designated Beneficiary who is a Member of the Family are free of federal income tax, subject to the annual contribution limits for ABLE accounts. Amounts withdrawn from a 529 Plan account may be treated as a rollover to an ABLE account for federal tax purposes if (i) the amount withdrawn is re-deposited within 60 days into an ABLE account and (ii) the amount, when added to other contributions made to the ABLE account for the taxable year, does not exceeds a specified amount.

529 Plan to ABLE rollovers which take place after December 31, 2025 are not currently considered Qualified Expenses under Arkansas tax law and will trigger a state tax deduction recapture. **You should consult your tax advisor regarding your individual situation, including whether to rollover to an ABLE account.**

Roth IRA Rollovers

A distribution of assets from your Account to a Roth IRA for your Designated Beneficiary may be made free of federal income tax or the Additional 10% Tax, subject to certain conditions:

- The 529 plan account must be open for 15 or more years.
- Rollovers to the Roth IRA account may not exceed the total amount contributed to the 529 plan account (including related earnings) before the 5-year period prior to the rollover.
- Rollover amounts from all 529 plan accounts into a Roth IRA may not exceed $35,000 in the aggregate.
- 529 plan assets can only be rolled over into a Roth IRA maintained for the benefit of the designated beneficiary on the 529 plan account.
- 529 plan assets must be sent directly in a trustee-to-trustee transfer to the Roth IRA.
- The Roth IRA contribution is limited by the beneficiary’s earned income subject to the Roth IRA contribution limit for the taxable year applicable to the designated beneficiary.

The IRS may issue guidance that may impact 529 plan account rollovers to Roth IRAs, including the above referenced conditions. The Account Owner and/or Beneficiary will be responsible for any taxes or penalties resulting from failure to comply with Section 529 and any subsequent IRS rules. In addition, Roth IRA custodians may impose additional requirements or may refuse to accept Roth IRA Rollovers.

State law treatment of a Roth IRA Rollover may differ from the federal tax treatment. Under current Arkansas law, the earnings portion of a rollover to Roth IRA will not be subject to Arkansas income tax for tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2024. Residents and taxpayers of other states should consult with a qualified financial professional or tax advisor for information about the tax treatment in their jurisdiction.

Account Owners and Beneficiaries should each consult a qualified financial professional or tax advisor regarding the applicability of these rollovers to their personal situations. You are responsible for determining the eligibility of a 529 plan to Roth IRA rollover including tracking and documenting the length of time the 529 plan account has been opened and the amount of assets in your 529 plan account eligible to be rolled into a Roth IRA. The taxpayer has the responsibility to maintain records to document the use of funds associated with this new provision, and any reporting that may be required. To request a rollover to a Roth IRA, please submit the appropriate form to the Plan.

COORDINATION WITH OTHER HIGHER EDUCATION EXPENSE BENEFIT PROGRAMS

The tax benefits afforded to 529 Plans must be coordinated with other programs designed to provide tax benefits for meeting higher education expenses in order to avoid the duplication of such benefits. The coordinated programs include Coverdell Education Savings accounts under section 530 of the Code and the American Opportunity Tax Credits and Lifetime Learning Credits under section 25A of the Code.

Coverdell Education Savings Accounts

An individual may contribute money to, or withdraw money from, both a 529 Plan account and a Coverdell Education Savings account in the same year. The same expenses, however, cannot count both as “qualified education expenses” for Coverdell Account purposes and as Qualified Higher Education Expenses for purposes of Section 529. Accordingly, if the total distributions from both accounts exceed the amount of the Qualified Higher Education Expenses that qualify for tax-free treatment under Section 529, the recipient must allocate his or her Qualified Higher Education Expenses between both such distributions in order to determine how much may be treated as tax-free under each program.

American Opportunity Tax Credits and Lifetime Learning Credits

The use of an American Opportunity Tax Credit or Lifetime Learning Credit by a qualifying Account Owner and Designated Beneficiary will not affect participation in or benefits from a 529 Plan account, so long as the 529 Plan assets are not used for the same expenses for which the credit was claimed. However, if the 529 Plan assets are used for the same expenses for which the tax credit was claimed, the amount of the Designated Beneficiary’s Qualified Higher Education Expenses will be reduced by the amount of those expenses. As a result of this reduction, the earnings portion of the 529 Plan withdrawal for those expenses is subject to federal and state income tax (but not the Additional 10% Federal Tax).

Qualified U.S. Savings Bonds

A 529 Account Owner who meets certain age and income limitations and who makes contributions to the 529 Plan account, the Designated Beneficiary of which is the Account Owner, the Account Owner’s spouse or an eligible dependent of the Account Owner, may be allowed to exclude all or a portion of income from certain Qualified U.S. Savings Bonds issued after 1989 in computing the Account Owner’s federal taxable income for the year in which a contribution to the account is made. In those circumstances, some or all of the income on the Qualified U.S. Savings Bond may be recognized at the time of a subsequent distribution from the account.

FEDERAL GIFT AND ESTATE TAXES

Contributions to a 529 Plan account (including certain rollover contributions) generally are considered completed gifts to the Designated Beneficiary for federal gift, estate, and GST tax purposes and are potentially subject to federal gift tax or GST tax.

Generally if contributions by a contributor to an Account for a Designated Beneficiary, together with all other gifts by the contributor to the Designated Beneficiary, including contributions to all Non-Arkansas 529 Plans for such Designated Beneficiary, do not exceed the federal annual exclusion amount of $19,000 ($38,000 for a married couple making a gift-splitting election on a gift tax return), such contributions will not be subject to the federal gift tax or GST tax. (The annual exclusion amount is periodically adjusted for inflation.) Except in the situations described below, if the Account Owner were to die while assets remained in a 529 Plan account for a Designated Beneficiary other than the Account Owner, the value of the account would not be included in the Account Owner's estate. In cases where contributions to a 529 Plan exceed the applicable annual exclusion amount, the contributions may be subject to federal gift tax and possibly the GST tax in the year of contribution. However, in these cases, a contributor may elect to treat the contributions as if they were made equally over a five-year period, by filing a federal gift tax return and making this election for the year in which the contributions are made. This option is applicable only for contributions up to five times the available annual exclusion amount in the year of the contribution. For example, for 2026, the maximum contributions for a Designated Beneficiary that may be made using this election would be $95,000 (or $180,000 for a married couple that elects to split gifts on a gift tax return). However, any excess contributions may be applied against the contributor's lifetime gift tax exemption.

Once this election is made, if the contributor makes any additional gifts to the same Designated Beneficiary in the same or the next four years, such gifts may be subject to gift or GST tax in the calendar year of the additional gift. If the Account Owner chooses to use the five-year election described above and dies before the end of the five-year period, the portion of the contribution allocable to the calendar years remaining (beginning with the calendar year after the Account Owner's death) would be included in the Account Owner's estate for federal estate tax purposes.

If the Designated Beneficiary of a 529 Plan account is changed to a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary or amounts in an account are rolled over to an account for a new Designated Beneficiary who is a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary and who is in the same generation as the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary (or an older generation), a gift or GST tax will not apply. If the new Designated Beneficiary is a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary and in a younger generation than the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary, such change or rollover may be treated as a taxable gift from the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary or the Account Owner to the new Designated Beneficiary. GST tax may also apply if the new Designated Beneficiary is two or more generations below the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary. In such cases, the five-year election explained above may be made. In certain circumstances, the gross estate of a Designated Beneficiary may include the value of the 529 Plan account.

Because contributions to a 529 Plan account are treated as completed gifts for federal transfer tax purposes, contributors should also consider the GST tax with respect to their contributions. This tax may apply to contributions greater than the gift tax annual exclusion amount or where the Designated Beneficiary of the account is deemed to be two or more generations below the generation of the contributor. The GST tax may also apply if a new Designated Beneficiary is two or more generations younger than the generation of the prior Designated Beneficiary; however, the imputed gift may qualify for the gift tax annual exclusion and the generation-skipping transfer tax annual exclusion. In addition to the generation-skipping transfer tax annual exclusion, for 2026 each taxpayer has a $15,000,000 (indexed for inflation periodically thereafter) generation-skipping transfer tax exemption that can be allocated to transfers that are subject to the GST tax (and in fact is automatically allocated to certain such transfers unless certain elections are made). Because of the generation-skipping transfer tax annual exclusion and the generation-skipping transfer tax exemption, no GST tax may be imposed on many contributors or Designated Beneficiaries. However, when a GST tax is imposed, it is imposed at the highest estate tax rate (currently 40%). You should consult your tax advisor if you have any questions about these issues.

STATE TAX TREATMENT

The tax benefits described in this Program Description generally relate to federal tax benefits. State tax treatment may differ based on the state or states in which you pay taxes. You should consult with your tax advisor about any state or local taxes, including income, gift, estate, and GST taxes.

For purposes of Arkansas state income taxes, Arkansas generally follows the definition of Qualified Withdrawals and accordingly, the federal law updates as they relate to Qualified Higher Education Expenses. K-12 Expenses (other than tuition) and Postsecondary Credentialing Expenses, however, are currently subject to Arkansas state income tax deduction recapture. 529 Plan to ABLE Plan rollovers which take place after December 31, 2025 are also not currently considered Qualified Expenses under Arkansas tax law and will trigger a state tax deduction recapture. If you are not an Arkansas resident taxpayer, the state(s) where you pay income tax may differ in its state income tax treatment of K-12 Expenses, Postsecondary Credentialing Expenses, and rollovers from 529 Plans to ABLE plans. You should consult with your tax advisor regarding your individual situation.

For Arkansas taxpayers, the earnings portion of qualified withdrawals is currently tax-free. As of January 1, 2026, contributions to the Plan by a taxpayer are deductible in computing the taxpayer's adjusted gross income for the purpose of calculating Arkansas state income tax in an amount not to exceed $5,000 ($10,000 total per married couple) taken together for all contributions to all Plan accounts in any taxable year. Contributions over $5,000 per taxpayer ($10,000 per married couple) made in a tax year may be carried forward to the next succeeding four (4) tax years. Rollover contributions up to $7,500 per taxpayer ($15,000 total per married couple) into the Plan from a tax-deferred tuition savings program established by another state are deductible in the tax year in which such contribution was rolled over into the Plan. Arkansas state tax deductions will be subject to recapture in subsequent years if non-qualified withdrawals are made or the taxpayer rolls the account over to a tax-deferred tuition savings program established by another state. These amounts may change over time, so please consult with your tax advisor regarding your individual situation.

For determining the appropriate year in which to claim a deduction for your contributions, see *PART V – FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT – 529 Program Contribution and Withdrawals* above.

The entire amount of a Non-Qualified Withdrawal and any portion of a rollover distribution transferred into another 529 Plan not sponsored by the State of Arkansas will be subject to recapture. Such amount shall be recaptured by adding the amount previously deducted (or, if less, the amount of the Non-Qualified Withdrawal or rollover distribution) to the taxpayer's Arkansas adjusted gross income for the tax year in which the withdrawal or distribution occurred. It is possible that a recipient of money withdrawn from the Brighter Future Advisor Plan may be subject to income tax on those withdrawals by the state where he or she lives or pays taxes. It is also possible that amounts rolled over into the Brighter Future Advisor Plan from another state's 529 Plan may be subject to a state tax imposed on the rollover amount.

You should consult with your tax advisor about how these general rules may apply to your specific situation and about other implications of contributing to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan for purposes of Arkansas state and local taxes.

TAX REPORTS

The Brighter Future Advisor Plan will report withdrawals and other matters to the IRS, the Arkansas Department of Finance and Administration, Distributees and other persons, if any, to the extent required pursuant to federal, state or local law, regulation or ruling. Under federal law, a separate report will be filed by the Program Manager with the IRS reporting withdrawals from an Account to each Distributee reflecting, among other information, the earnings portion withdrawn during the calendar year to which the report pertains.

RECORDS RETENTION

You are responsible for obtaining and retaining records, invoices, or other documentation relating to your account, including records adequate to substantiate, among other things, the following: (i) expenses which you claim are qualified, (ii) the death or disability of a Designated Beneficiary, (iii) the receipt by a Designated Beneficiary of a qualified scholarship or educational assistance, (iv) the attendance by a Designated Beneficiary at certain specified military academies, or (v) a refunded distribution.

PART VI. MAKING WITHDRAWALS

REQUESTING A WITHDRAWAL

To make a withdrawal of any kind, whether qualified or nonqualified, you may obtain the appropriate form online at www.brighterfutureadvisor529.com or by contacting a client service representative at 1-888-529-9552. Withdrawals can be made only by the Account Owner (or legally authorized representative), not the Designated Beneficiary. You should determine the tax implications of any withdrawal before you make a withdrawal. Qualified Withdrawals made payable to the Account Owner, the Designated Beneficiary, or an Eligible Educational Institution, and Non-Qualified Withdrawals to the Account Owner or Designated Beneficiary may be requested by phone or online by providing verifying Account information to the Program Manager upon request.

Information Required to Make a Withdrawal

In addition to basic information such as name and Account number, you will need to tell us:

- The total amount you want to withdraw
- The Portfolios from which you want the money to be withdrawn
- How much money we should take out of each Portfolio

If you do not provide all of this information, you will need to resubmit your request before we can act on it.

Receiving the Withdrawal

You may request a withdrawal in the form of:

- a check to the Account Owner, Designated Beneficiary or Eligible Educational Institution; or
- an ACH transfer to the Account Owner or Designated Beneficiary into an established bank account.

If the withdrawal request is in good order, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan typically will process the withdrawal and initiate payment of a distribution within three (3) business days after the trade date (the trade date is determined in accordance with the policies described in *PART I - OPENING UP AND CONTRIBUTING TO AN ACCOUNT – Pricing of Portfolio Units*. During periods of market volatility and at year-end, withdrawal requests may take up to five (5) business days to process. Please allow up to ten (10) business days to receive your distribution. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan will not send any proceeds from your withdrawal request until all the money has been collected (*i.e.*, until the money's availability in your Account is confirmed).

Contributions made by check, recurring contribution, or EBT will not be available for withdrawal for seven (7) business days. Withdrawals will be held for nine (9) business days after a mailing address change by an Account Owner or Designated Beneficiary if proceeds are requested by check to the Account Owner or Designated Beneficiary respectively. If you choose to request a withdrawal online and have the proceeds sent electronically to your bank account and you have added or changed your bank information, your withdrawal will be held for fifteen (15) calendar days from the date the change was submitted.

DETERMINING THE TAX STATUS OF A WITHDRAWAL

One of the main benefits of an Account is that the money in the Account grows on a federal income tax-deferred basis and, if used for a Qualified Withdrawal, is not subject to federal income tax when withdrawn. Once money is in an Account, it should have few or no tax consequences for you, until you take it out. Even then, if the withdrawal is for Qualified Higher Education Expenses, you may enjoy additional tax benefits.

Keep in mind that the tax information here and under *PART V – FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT* is intended as a helpful guide, but is not comprehensive and is not tax advice. And remember, the following tax information refers to federal tax laws but not to any state or local taxes that may apply. Before making any Brighter Future Advisor Plan Account transactions, obtain advice from a tax professional.

Qualified Withdrawals at an Eligible Educational Institution

Money you take from your Account for the Designated Beneficiary's Qualified Higher Education Expenses is generally not subject to federal income tax. There are three main criteria for Qualified Higher Education Expenses at an Eligible Educational Institution: whether the school is accredited, the purpose of the expense, and whether the expense can be documented.

School Accreditation

For education expenses to be qualified, the Designated Beneficiary must be enrolled at an institution that meets specific federal accreditation standards. Eligible Educational Institutions include:

- Most four-year colleges and universities, both for undergraduate and advanced degrees;
- Some two-year institutions;
- Some proprietary and vocational schools; and
- Foreign schools that are eligible for the Federal Family Education Loan Program (FFEL), including some foreign medical schools.

You should be certain that the Designated Beneficiary's school is eligible for purposes of using 529 Plan assets to cover expenses before you make a withdrawal. You can generally determine if a school is an Eligible Educational Institution by searching for its Federal School Code (identification number for schools eligible for Title IV financial aid programs) on the Department of Education's website at www.studentaid.gov.

Purpose of Expense

Qualified Withdrawals include money used to pay for Qualified Higher Education Expenses, which include any of the following:

- Tuition, fees, and the cost of books, supplies, and equipment required for the enrollment or attendance of a Designated Beneficiary at an Eligible Educational Institution;
- The cost of certain room and board expenses incurred while attending an Eligible Educational Institution at least half-time;
- In the case of a special-needs Designated Beneficiary, expenses for special needs services incurred in connection with enrollment or attendance at an Eligible Educational Institution; and
- Expenses for the purchase of certain computer or peripheral equipment (as defined in section 168(i)(2)(B) of the Code), computer software (as defined in section 197(e)(3)(B) of the Code), or internet access and related services, if such equipment, software, or services are to be used primarily by the designated beneficiary during any of the years the Designated Beneficiary is enrolled at an Eligible Educational Institution. Expenses for computer software designed for sports, games, or hobbies, are not included unless the software is predominantly educational in nature.

Room and board expenses may be treated as a Qualified Higher Education Expense only if the Designated Beneficiary is enrolled at least half-time. Half-time is defined as half of a full-time academic workload for the course of study the Designated Beneficiary pursues, based on the standard of the institution where he or she is enrolled. A Designated Beneficiary need not be enrolled at least half-time to use a Qualified Withdrawal to pay for expenses relating to tuition, fees, books, supplies, equipment, special-needs services and computer and related equipment, software and services.

Room and board expenses that may be treated as Qualified Higher Education Expenses generally will be limited to the room and board allowance calculated by the Eligible Educational Institution in its "cost of attendance" for purposes of determining eligibility for federal education assistance for that year. For students living in housing owned or operated by the Eligible Educational Institution, if the actual amount charged for room and board is higher than the "cost of attendance" figure, the actual amount may be treated as qualified room and board costs. Note that any expenses used to claim the American Opportunity Tax Credit or Lifetime Learning Credit (as described under *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT*), or any expenses covered by a tax-free scholarship or grant, are not considered Qualified Higher Education Expenses.

Refunds from Eligible Educational Institutions

In the event the Designated Beneficiary receives from an Eligible Educational Institution a refund of funds originally withdrawn from an Account to pay for Qualified Higher Education Expenses, such funds up to the amount of the refund will not be subject to federal income tax or the Additional 10% Federal Tax if the funds are recontributed to an account in a 529 Plan for the same designated beneficiary not later than 60 days after the date of the refund. For tax purposes, please maintain proper documentation evidencing the refund from the Eligible Educational Institution.

Other Qualified Higher Education Expenses

Elementary and Secondary Education (K-12)

Qualified Higher Education Expenses include expenses in connection with enrollment or attendance at an elementary or secondary public, private, or religious school (not to exceed $10,000 per tax year in the aggregate across all qualified tuition programs for a Designated Beneficiary for tax year 2025; and $20,000 for tax years beginning after December 31, 2025). These expenses include: (i) tuition; (ii) curriculum and curricular materials; (iii) books or other instructional materials, (iv) online educational materials; (v) tutoring; (vi) exam fees; (vii) fees for dual enrollment in an institution of higher education; and (viii) educational therapies for students with disabilities. For a full definition of K-12 Expenses, see the definition of Qualified Higher Education Expenses in *KEY TERMS.*

Postsecondary Credentialing Expenses

Expenses in connection with obtaining and maintaining a postsecondary credential, including: (i) tuition, fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for the enrollment or attendance of a Designated Beneficiary in a recognized postsecondary credential program; (ii) fees for testing if such testing is required to obtain or maintain a recognized postsecondary credential, and; (iii) fees for continuing education if such education is required to maintain a recognized postsecondary credential. For a full definition of Postsecondary Credentialing Expenses, see the definition of Qualified Higher Education Expenses in *KEY TERMS.*

Apprenticeship Programs

In the case of a Designated Beneficiary's participation in an apprenticeship program registered and certified with the Secretary of Labor, Qualified Higher Education Expenses include expenses for fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for a Beneficiary's participation in the apprenticeship program.

Qualified Education Loan Repayments

Qualified Higher Education Expenses also include amounts paid as principal or interest on the qualified education loan of a Designated Beneficiary or a sibling of the Designated Beneficiary (not to exceed $10,000 per tax year in the aggregate across all qualified tuition programs for a Designated Beneficiary (not taking into account amounts treated as a qualified higher education expense with respect to the loans of a sibling of the designated beneficiary)). A qualified education loan generally is an indebtedness incurred solely to pay qualified higher education expenses that were incurred within a reasonable period of time before or after the indebtedness is incurred.

Expense Documentation

It is important for you and the Designated Beneficiary to keep all records of expenses for income tax purposes. A withdrawal may be considered taxable if you are unable to show that it went to pay for a Qualified Higher Education Expense incurred during the year in which you took the withdrawal.

Withdrawals that are Taxable (Non-Qualified Withdrawals)

Money taken from an Account and not used for the Designated Beneficiary's Qualified Higher Education Expenses will trigger federal and possibly state income tax liability. What portion of the money is taxable, what types of tax are involved, and who owes the tax all can vary with circumstances.

Portion of Money that is Taxable

The money in an Account consists of money that was contributed (principal) and any earnings on the money contributed. When a withdrawal is made, it is considered to have the same ratio of principal and earnings as the Account itself. We determine the earnings portion based on IRS rules and report to the IRS and the recipient.

However, we do not report whether the withdrawal is a Qualified Withdrawal or a Non-Qualified Withdrawal. The earnings portion of a withdrawal will generally be calculated on an Account-by-Account basis. If you don't select a specific investment option(s) from which to take a withdrawal, the withdrawal will be taken proportionally from all the investment options in the Account. If you request that a withdrawal be taken from one or more specific investment option(s), the earnings, for tax reporting purposes, will be calculated based on the earnings of all the investment options in your Account. You are responsible for preparing and filing the appropriate forms when completing your federal income tax return and for paying any applicable tax directly to the IRS.

The principal portion of a withdrawal is not taxable. For withdrawals that are not used for the Designated Beneficiary's Qualified Higher Education Expenses, the earnings portion generally is subject to federal and state income tax liability, including the Additional 10% Federal Tax.

Except for situations described in the rest of this paragraph, 100% of your opening balance in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan is considered principal. When you create an Account through a rollover contribution, a Coverdell Education Savings Account, or the proceeds from the redemption of a Qualified U.S. Savings Bond, the portion that will be considered principal in your Account is whatever is reported as being principal by the provider of the source account (with certain exceptions for Qualified U.S. Savings Bond proceeds). **Note: If we do not receive any documentation about the source account, the entire rollover amount will be treated as earnings.**

Taxable Withdrawals and Financial Aid

According to the Department of Education, a taxable withdrawal could be counted in some circumstances as income for federal financial aid purposes, which could reduce eligibility for financial aid in the following year. The effect would depend on the size of the withdrawal, how much of it was taxable, and who received the money, among other factors. For more information about financial aid, see *PART II – INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS AND RISKS – Eligibility for Financial Aid*.

Types of Taxes That May Be Involved

The earnings portion of a Non-Qualified Withdrawal is subject to federal income tax as well as the Additional 10% Federal Tax. Depending on where you live, there may also be state or local income tax, interest and dividends tax, or the equivalent.

Non-Qualified Withdrawals That Are Exempt from the Additional 10% Federal Tax

Death of the Designated Beneficiary

If the Designated Beneficiary dies, you may select a new Designated Beneficiary who is a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary (See *PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT – Member of the Family*), or authorize a payment to the estate of the Designated Beneficiary. If you select a new Designated Beneficiary, you will not owe federal or Arkansas income tax or the Additional 10% Federal Tax. A payment to the estate of the Designated Beneficiary will not be subject to the Additional 10% Federal Tax on earnings, but earnings will be subject to any applicable federal and state income taxes.

Disability of the Designated Beneficiary

If the Designated Beneficiary becomes disabled, you may change the Designated Beneficiary to an individual who is a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary (See *PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT – Member of the Family*) or withdraw all or a portion of the Account balance. If you change the Designated Beneficiary, you will not owe federal or Arkansas income tax or the Additional 10% Federal Tax. A withdrawal because of the disability, as defined by federal law, of the Designated Beneficiary will not be subject to the Additional 10% Federal Tax on earnings, but earnings will be subject to any applicable federal and state income taxes at the Distributee's tax rate.

Disability for this purpose means the inability to engage in any substantial gainful activity by reason of a medically determinable physical or mental impairment that can be expected to result in death or to be of long-continued and indefinite duration.

Receipt of Scholarship

If the Designated Beneficiary receives a scholarship or other Educational Assistance which decreases the amount of Qualified Higher Education Expenses, you may withdraw money from the Account for non-educational purposes up to the amount of the scholarship. A qualified scholarship includes certain educational assistance allowances under federal law as well as certain payments for educational expenses (or attributable to attendance at certain educational institutions) that are exempt from federal income tax. A portion of the earnings attributable to any withdrawal from your Account will be included in the income of the Beneficiary but will not be subject to the Additional 10% Federal Tax.

Attendance of U.S. Military Academy

If the Designated Beneficiary attends a U.S. Military Academy, you may withdraw money from the Account for non-educational purposes up to the cost of advanced education (as defined in Section 2005(e)(3) of Title X of the Code) attributable to the Designated Beneficiary's attendance at the U.S. Military Academy without imposition of the Additional 10% Federal Tax on earnings. The earnings portion of a withdrawal because of attendance at a U.S. Military Academy is subject to any applicable federal and state income taxes at the Distributee's tax rate.

Non-Qualified Withdrawals Resulting From American Opportunity Tax Credits and Lifetime Learning Credits

Withdrawals that are not Qualified Withdrawals because the proceeds were used for payment of expenses that were also used to qualify the Designated Beneficiary (or a person who can claim the Designated Beneficiary as a dependent) for the American Opportunity Tax Credit and/or Lifetime Learning Credit are also not subject to the Additional 10% Federal Tax on the earnings, but earnings will be subject to any applicable federal income taxes at the Distributee's tax rate. Such withdrawals may also be subject to state income tax.

Who is Liable for the Taxes

The Distributee is liable for taxes with respect to any particular withdrawal. For federal tax purposes, the Distributee is the Designated Beneficiary, if the withdrawal is paid to the Designated Beneficiary for the Designated Beneficiary's benefit. In all other cases, the Distributee is the Account Owner. Federal income tax is calculated at the Distributee's ordinary income tax rate. State and local taxes often follow federal tax treatment, but may vary.

Rollover Distributions

An Account Owner may roll over all or part of the balance of an Account to (i) an account in another 529 Plan not sponsored by the State of Arkansas, (ii) an ABLE account, and (iii) a Roth IRA without adverse federal tax consequences provided certain conditions established by Section 529 are met. See *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT - Qualified Rollovers* for requirements. In connection with any withdrawal out of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan into another 529 Plan, the Program Manager reserves the right to verify an Account Owner's consent in connection with the proposed withdrawal to confirm the request is in good order.

For Arkansas taxpayers, the portion of any Non-Qualified Withdrawal or rollover distribution into another 529 Plan not sponsored by the State of Arkansas that was previously deducted from the taxpayer's adjusted gross income for the purpose of calculating Arkansas state income tax will be recaptured and included in the taxpayer's income in the year of such withdrawal or distribution. Rollovers to an ABLE Account are also subject to Arkansas state tax recapture. Roth IRA rollovers are not subject to Arkansas state tax recapture.

Annual Reporting of Withdrawals (Form 1099-Q)

For any year when there are withdrawals from your Account, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan will send out Form 1099-Q to the IRS and the Distributee(s), determined as described above.

Unused Account Assets

If the Designated Beneficiary graduates from an Eligible Educational Institution or chooses not to pursue higher education, and assets remain in the Account, you have the following options:

1. You can keep all or a portion of the remaining assets in the Account to pay future Qualified Higher Education Expenses, such as graduate school expenses, Postsecondary Credentialing Expenses, or Qualified Education Loan Expenses of the existing Designated Beneficiary.
2. You can change the Designated Beneficiary to a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Beneficiary (see *PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT – Member of the Family*).
3. You can rollover account assets into a Roth IRA for the Designated Beneficiary, subject to meeting the conditions outlined in *PART V – FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT – Roth IRA Rollovers*.
4. You can withdraw all or a portion of the remaining assets (including earnings).

The first three options generally will not result in federal and state income taxes. The fourth option is a Non-Qualified Withdrawal subject to applicable federal and state income taxes, possibly including the Additional 10% Federal Tax. See *PART V - FEDERAL AND STATE TAX TREATMENT* for more information, and consult with a qualified tax advisor for advice specific to your situation.

If a scholarship was awarded, unused account assets may be withdrawn in the same calendar year up to the amount of the scholarship. See *Receipt of Scholarship* above.

PART VII. LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT 529 PLANS AND THE BRIGHTER FUTURE ADVISOR PLAN

Section 529 permits states and state agencies to sponsor 529 Plans or qualified tuition programs, which are tax-advantaged programs intended to help individuals and families pay the costs of higher education. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan is a 529 Plan sponsored by the State of Arkansas. Even if you do not live in Arkansas you may invest in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

The Trust

The Arkansas Brighter Future Fund Plan Trust is a trust created by the State of Arkansas. The Trust includes the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, as well as the Direct Plan which is offered by the State directly to the public. When you invest in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, you are purchasing Portfolio Units issued by the Trust. Portfolio Units are municipal fund securities.

Qualification as a 529 Plan

The Trust is intended to qualify as a "qualified tuition program" under Section 529. Qualifying is essential in order for Account Owners and Beneficiaries to realize the tax benefits that are made available under Section 529. If the Trust should ever fail to qualify, the Committee is obligated either to change the Trust (and potentially the terms of its Participation Agreement as well) so that it does qualify, or to dissolve it and distribute its assets to the Account Owners, unless the Committee determines that dissolving the Trust is not in the Account Owner's best interest.

The Committee

The Brighter Future Advisor Plan has been implemented and is administered by the Committee. The Committee, which is composed of the Director of the Department of Higher Education, the Executive Director of the Arkansas Teacher Retirement System, and the Arkansas State Treasurer, has established the Trust, which is intended to qualify as a qualified tuition program within the meaning of Section 529. Arkansas' qualified tuition program consists of two investment programs, including the Direct Plan, which is discussed in a different program description, and the Brighter Future Advisor Plan discussed in this Program Description.

The Program Manager

ABD, the Program Manager, and its affiliates, AIA and ACSR, have overall responsibility for the day-to-day operations, recordkeeping, and administrative services of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. The term of the contract between Ascensus and the Committee expires December 31, 2027 and may be terminated sooner under certain circumstances.

The Investment Manager

Except for the Savings Portfolio, BlackRock Fund Advisors manages the investments of each Portfolio of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

Sallie Mae Bank

Sallie Mae Bank manages the Savings Portfolio for the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

The Distributor

Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC is the distributor of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan and provide sales support services to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan and provides marketing services for the Plan.

Custodial Arrangements

The Bank of New York Mellon Corporation ("Bank of New York Mellon"), is the Brighter Future Advisor Plan's custodian. As such, Bank of New York Mellon is responsible for maintaining the Brighter Future Advisor Plan's assets except for the assets in the

Savings Portfolio. Sallie Mae Bank is responsible for maintaining the Brighter Future Advisor Plan's assets in the Savings Portfolio and pools those assets into the FDIC-insured omnibus savings account held in trust by the Committee at Sallie Mae Bank.

Creditor Protection under U.S. Laws and Arkansas Law

The Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005 provides protection in federal bankruptcy proceedings for certain assets that have been contributed to 529 Plan accounts. Your Account will be protected if the Designated Beneficiary is your child, stepchild, grandchild, or step-grandchild (including a legally adopted child or a foster child), subject to the following limits:

- Contributions made to all 529 Plan accounts for the same Designated Beneficiary at least 720 days before a federal bankruptcy filing are completely protected;
- Contributions made to all 529 Plan accounts for the same Designated Beneficiary more than 365 days but less than 720 days before a federal bankruptcy filing are, as of April 1, 2019, protected up to an amount currently revised every three (3) years by the Judicial Conference of the United States (and currently scheduled to be adjusted in 2028); and
- Contributions made to all 529 Plan accounts for the same Designated Beneficiary less than 365 days before a federal bankruptcy filing are not protected against creditor claims in federal bankruptcy proceedings.

Federal bankruptcy law permits a debtor to exempt certain specified assets from liability notwithstanding the assets being property of the debtor's estate. If the debtor is domiciled in Arkansas (as defined under federal bankruptcy law), Arkansas law provides that assets held in a Brighter Future Advisor Plan Account are protected from creditors. However, under federal bankruptcy law, assets held in a 529 Plan account which are property of the debtor's estate are not exempt from debt for domestic support obligations.

Your own state law may offer additional creditor protections. Bankruptcy law is complex. This information is not meant to constitute individual tax or bankruptcy advice, and you should consult with an attorney regarding your specific situation.

The Portfolios

Each Portfolio offered through the Brighter Future Advisor Plan is a segregated asset account of the Trust. The Trust also contains other Portfolios that are similar, except that they invest in a different set of Underlying Investments and are offered to the public separately. Because the Trust is an instrumentality of the State of Arkansas, the Units it issues are not registered with the SEC or any state securities commission, and the Portfolios are not ETFs. Money placed in an Account purchases "Units" of the Portfolios. Because under federal law the Units are considered municipal fund securities, their sale is regulated by the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board ("MSRB").

DISPUTE RESOLUTION AND ARBITRATION

The Participation Agreement contains a mandatory arbitration clause which is a condition to investing in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to the Program Description or Participation Agreement, or the breach, termination, or the validity of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan or the Participation Agreement, shall be settled by arbitration administered by JAMS in accordance with its Comprehensive Arbitration Rules and Procedures and its Policy on Consumer Arbitrations, both of which are made part of the Participation Agreement, and judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.

CONTINUING DISCLOSURE

To comply with Rule 15c2-12(b) (5) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Rule"), the Trust will make appropriate arrangements for the benefit of Account Owners to produce and disseminate certain financial information and operating data (the "Annual Information") relating to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan and notices of the occurrence of certain enumerated events as required by the Rule. The Committee will make provision for the filing of the Annual Information with the Municipal Securities Rulemaking Board's Electronic Municipal Market Access system ("EMMA") and with a State of Arkansas information depository. The Committee will also make appropriate arrangements to file notices of certain enumerated events with EMMA and with the State of Arkansas information depository, if one then exists.

INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

The Brighter Future Advisor Plan will be audited by Landmark PLC, an independent registered public accounting firm.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Additional Rights

The Committee or the Program Manager reserves the right to:

- Refuse, change, discontinue, or temporarily suspend Account services, including accepting Contributions and processing withdrawal requests, for any reason.
- Delay sending out the proceeds of a withdrawal request for up to ten (10) calendar days (this generally applies only to very large withdrawal requests without advance notice or during unusual market conditions).
- Delay sending out the proceeds of a withdrawal request for up to nine (9) business days when a mailing address has changed and if the proceeds are requested to be sent by check to either the Account Owner or a Designated Beneficiary.
- Delay sending out the proceeds of a withdrawal request for up to fifteen (15) calendar days if bank information has been added or edited.
- Following the receipt of any Contributions made by check, recurring contribution, or EBT, hold withdrawal requests for up to seven (7) business days.
- Suspend the processing of withdrawal requests or postpone sending out the proceeds of a withdrawal request when the NYSE is closed for any reason other than its usual weekend or holiday closings, when trading is restricted by the SEC, or under any emergency circumstances.

Involuntary Terminations of a Brighter Future Advisor Plan Account

The Committee or the Program Manager may terminate any Brighter Future Advisor Plan Account if the Committee or the Program Manager finds that the Account Owner or the Designated Beneficiary has provided false or misleading information, has violated the terms of the Participation Agreement by failing to pay required fees or expenses, for example, or has failed to make any Contributions to the Account within two months of the date on which Account is established, or if the aggregate value of the Account is less than the then-effective minimum Account size, if any. In the case of a termination because the Account Owner or the Designated Beneficiary has provided false or misleading information or has violated the terms of the Participation Agreement, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan may withhold, and the Account Owner and the Designated Beneficiary shall forfeit if the Brighter Future Advisor Plan so withholds, all earnings on principal investments accumulated in the Account at the time of such termination, or such lesser amount as the Committee deems necessary in the Committee's discretion in light of such false or misleading information. In addition to any withholding, any fees paid on the Account will not be refunded and will be forfeited by the Account Owner. Units redeemed as a result of closing an Account will be valued at the net asset value next calculated after the Program Manager decides to close the Account, and the risk of market loss, tax implications, penalties, and any other expenses, as a result of the liquidation, will be solely the Account Owner's responsibility.

Suitability

The Plan Officials make no representation regarding the suitability or appropriateness of the iShares 529 Plan's investment options for any particular investor. Other types of investments and other types of college savings vehicles may be more appropriate depending upon your or your Designated Beneficiary's financial status, tax situation, risk tolerance, age, investment goals, savings needs, and investment time horizons. Before investing in the iShares 529 Plan you should consult a tax or financial professional to seek advice concerning the appropriateness of this investment.

Not an Offer to Sell

This Program Description does not constitute an offer to sell or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of, a security issued by the Trust by any person in any jurisdiction in which it is unlawful for such person to make such an offer, solicitation, or sale.

Information Subject to Change

The information in this Program Description is believed to be accurate as of the cover date but is subject to change without notice. No one is authorized to provide information that is different from the information in the most current form of this Program Description and any amendments to this Program Description.

Important Reference Material

Please keep this Program Description for future reference. This document gives you important information about the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, including information about the investment risks associated with, and the terms under which you agree to participate in, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

CONFLICTS

In the event of any conflicts, the Act, the Code and any regulations and guidance thereunder shall prevail over this Program Description.

REPRESENTATIONS

STATEMENTS CONTAINED IN THIS PROGRAM DESCRIPTION THAT INVOLVE ESTIMATES, FORECASTS, OR MATTERS OF OPINION, WHETHER OR NOT EXPRESSLY SO DESCRIBED HEREIN, ARE INTENDED SOLELY AS SUCH AND ARE NOT TO BE CONSTRUED AS REPRESENTATIONS OF FACTS.

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PRIVACY STATEMENT

Under the terms of the contract between Ascensus and the State of Arkansas, all parties are required to treat Account Owner and Designated Beneficiary information confidentially. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan does not disclose any nonpublic personal information about Account Owners or Designated Beneficiaries to anyone except as permitted or required by law, or with the consent of the Account Owner. Permitted disclosures include, for instance, providing information to employees of the Plan Officials and to service providers who need to know the information to assist the Brighter Future Advisor Plan in providing services to you. In addition, the Plan Officials and their respective affiliates and service providers may send mailings (including email and direct mail) directed to Account Owners or to the Designated Beneficiary of brochures, pamphlets, and other advertising or marketing information concerning the Plan Officials and their respective affiliates and service providers or the products or services thereof.

If you would like information on how to review or correct your information, please call the Brighter Future Advisor Plan at 1-888-529-9552.

PART VIII. BRIGHTER FUTURE ADVISOR PLAN PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

THIS PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT (the "Participation Agreement") is entered into between the Account Owner ("you," "I," or the "Account Owner"), whose name appears on the Account Application (the "Application") and the Arkansas Brighter Future Fund Plan Trust (the "Trust"). The Brighter Future Advisor Plan (either the "Brighter Future Advisor Plan" or the "Plan") was established under Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-84-101, et seq. (the "Act") and designed to qualify for treatment as a qualified tuition program within the meaning of Section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and any Treasury regulations or other guidance issued thereunder (collectively, "Section 529"). The Brighter Future Advisor Plan is administered by the Arkansas Section 529 Review Committee (the "Committee").

Terms used in this Participation Agreement and not otherwise defined herein have the meanings defined in the Program Description of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan (the "Program Description"), receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by the Account Owner. *By signing the Application, you agree to be bound by the terms of this Participation Agreement, the Program Description and the Program Regulations.*

1. **Establishment of Account**. This Participation Agreement and the complete Application executed by the Account Owner with respect to an account (an "Account") shall constitute the entire contract between the Trust and the Account Owner with respect to the Account. You request that the Trust establish an Account pursuant to the Application for the benefit of the beneficiary designated on the Application (the "Designated Beneficiary"). Your Account and this Agreement are subject to the Act and the regulations adopted and amended from time to time by the Committee pursuant to the Act ("Program Regulations").Your Account assets will be held, subject to the Act, Section 529, and the Program Description, for your exclusive benefit.

2. **Plan Management**. Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC ("ABD"), the Program Manager, and its affiliates (collectively "Ascensus") have overall responsibility for the day-to-day operations, recordkeeping, and administrative services of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. The Program Manager will establish your Account upon receipt of a duly completed Application in good order and the minimum initial Contribution required for an Account.

3. **Contributions to Accounts**.

(a) *Required Initial Contribution.* You must make an initial Contribution of at least $500 to your Account at the time the Account is opened, or if you elect to establish a recurring contribution as described in the Program Description, you may automatically transfer funds from a bank account to your Account in minimum amounts of $50 per month or $150 per quarter. In addition, you can automatically contribute through payroll direct deposit, if provided by your employer, with a minimum initial Contribution of $25 per pay period. In the future, the minimum initial Contribution requirements to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan may be higher or lower, and is subject to change at any time by the Committee.

(b) *Additional Contributions.* You may make additional Contributions of $50 ($25 per pay period for payroll direct deposit if offered by your employer) or more to your Account at any time, subject to the Maximum Contribution Limit described below. In addition, if you have established a recurring contribution, you may automatically transfer funds from a bank account to your Account in minimum amounts of $50 per month or $150 per quarter. You may also receive a minimum gift contribution of $25 through Ugift® and minimum contributions of $50 through Upromise.

(c) *Choosing Investment Options.* An Account Owner may allocate his or her Contributions in one percent increments among any of the investment options subject to the minimum initial and additional Contribution requirements described above.

(d) *Acceptable Contribution Methods.* Contributions to an Account may be made via check, recurring contribution, payroll direct deposit, electronic bank transfer, Ugift®, Upromise transfers, or any other method permitted by the Act, Section 529, the Program Regulations and the Program Description. Certain methods of Contributions may not be accepted as outlined from time to time in the Program Description.

(e) *Maximum Permissible Contributions*. The Committee will, from time to time, establish the maximum aggregate account balance value (the "Maximum Contribution Limit"), which will limit the amount of contributions that may be made to all accounts for the same Designated Beneficiary under all college savings plans sponsored by the State of Arkansas, as required by Section 529, the Act and the Program Regulations. Accounts that have reached the Maximum Contribution Limit (either alone or combined with other Accounts) may continue to accrue earnings, although future contributions may not be made to such Accounts. The determination of whether the Maximum Contribution Limit has been reached is based on the aggregate market value of all account(s) for the same Designated Beneficiary in the Trust regardless of who owns the account(s) plus the amount of total Qualified Withdrawals taken from the account(s), and not solely on the aggregate contributions made to the account(s). If, however, the market value of such Account(s) falls below the Maximum Contribution Limit due to market fluctuations and not as a result of qualified withdrawals from such Account(s), additional Contributions will be accepted. The Committee may, in its discretion, refuse to accept a proposed Contribution, upon determination that acceptance of such proposed Contribution would not comply with federal or Arkansas state requirements. None of the Plan Officials will be responsible for any loss, damage, or expense incurred in connection with a rejected or returned Contribution. If a Contribution is applied to a Brighter Future Advisor Plan Account and later determined by the Plan to have caused the aggregate market value of the account(s) for the same Designated Beneficiary in the Trust to exceed the Maximum Contribution Limit, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan will refund such excess Contributions, all or a portion of, and any earnings thereon, to the contributor. Any refund of an excess Contribution may be treated as a Non-Qualified Withdrawal. The Maximum Contribution Limit does not apply to Accounts maintained for a scholarship program by a state or local government, or an organization described in section 501(c)(3) and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of the Code.

(f) *Third Party Contributions*. Individuals or entities other than the Account Owner that contribute funds to the Account will have no subsequent control over the Contributions. Only the Account Owner may direct transactions, such as transfers, rollovers, Investment Exchanges (as permitted under federal law), withdrawals and changes in the Designated Beneficiary or provide instructions with respect to the Account. The Account Owner is the owner of all Contributions and all earnings thereon credited to his or her Account under this Participation Agreement.

(g) *Right to Refuse Contributions*. Both the Committee and the Program Manager reserve the right to refuse any Contributions.

4. **Designation of Designated Beneficiary; Change of Designated Beneficiary**. The Account Owner will name a single Designated Beneficiary for each Account on the Application. The Account Owner may change the Designated Beneficiary of an Account without adverse federal income tax consequences, provided the new Designated Beneficiary is a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary (under the heading in the Program Description <u>*PART III - MANAGING AND MODIFYING AN ACCOUNT – Member of the Family*</u>). Any change in the Designated Beneficiary of an Account to a new Designated Beneficiary who is not a Member of the Family of the immediately preceding Designated Beneficiary will be treated as a Non-Qualified Withdrawal subject to all applicable federal and state taxes on earnings, including the Additional 10% Federal Tax on such earnings. To change a Designated Beneficiary, the Account Owner must complete and sign the appropriate form. The change will be effective when the Program Manager has received and processed the appropriate form(s). A change of Designated Beneficiary will result in the assignment of a new account number and in the reallocation of the Account's assets based on the Contribution allocation(s) specified in the new Designated Beneficiary's Account. Accounts opened by a state or local government, or an organization described in section 501(c)(3) and exempt from tax under section 501(a) of the Code to fund scholarships may be established without naming a Designated Beneficiary.

5. **Investment Options**. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan offers investment options consisting of a range of professionally managed Portfolios. Your Account will be established by the Program Manager so that Contributions are automatically allocated to the Portfolio(s) selected on the Application. Initial and subsequent Contributions to your Account will be invested in accordance with the Portfolio(s) selected by you, as described in the Program Description, and Units of the selected Portfolios (or any successor Portfolio(s)) selected will be allocated to your Account. Each Portfolio invests in Underlying Investment(s). The Portfolios are not insured or guaranteed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, SIPC, the State of Arkansas, or any agency thereof, the Trust, the Committee, any other federal agency, the Program Manager, its affiliates or subcontractors, the Investment Manager or Sallie Mae Bank, except for the Savings Portfolio, which offers FDIC insurance on a pass-through basis to Account Owners (subject to the limits described in the section entitled *PART II – THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - FDIC-INSURED PORTFOLIO*).

6. **Withdrawals from Accounts; Termination of Accounts**. You may direct withdrawals from your Account or terminate your Account at any time subject to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan's procedures (as described in the Program Description) and any hold periods, fees, penalties and additional tax that may be applicable as described below and in the Program Description or as required by the Act or Section 529.

(a) *Withdrawals from Accounts.* You may direct withdrawals from your Account following the Program Manager's acceptance of the appropriate form and any additional information or documentation required by the Committee or the Program Manager.

(b) *Tax on Non-Qualified Withdrawals.* Non-Qualified Withdrawals will be subject to all applicable federal, state, and local taxes on earnings, including the Additional 10% Federal Tax on such earnings unless an exception applies.

(c) *Termination of Accounts.* The Committee, the Program Manager or the Account Owner may terminate an Account, and the Committee may terminate the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, in accordance with the Act, Section 529, and/or the Program Regulations at any time. If the Committee or the Program Manager finds that the Account Owner or a Designated Beneficiary has (i) provided false or misleading information to the Committee, the Program Manager or an Eligible Educational Institution with respect to an Account; (ii) has violated the terms of this Participation Agreement by failing to pay required fees and expenses, for example; or (iii) has failed to make any Contributions to the Account within two months of the date on which such Account is established;(iv) or if the aggregate value of the Account is less than the then-effective minimum Account size (if any), the Committee or the Program Manager may take such action permitted by the Act and Program Regulations such as termination of the Account and withdrawal of the Account balance and the imposition of penalties as described in the Program Description. Upon termination of your Account, the balance will be distributed to you and Contributions and all earnings thereon will be subject to all applicable federal state and local taxes or penalties on Non-Qualified Withdrawals.

7. **Account Owner's Representations**. You represent and agree as follows:

(a) I have carefully reviewed and understand the Program Description, including, without limitation, the discussion of risks in the Program Description under the headings *PART II - THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS AND INVESTMENT RISKS – Plan and Portfolio Risks and Other Considerations* and *APPENDIX B – PORTFOLIO AND UNDERLYING INVESTMENT RISKS*. I agree that the Program Description is incorporated by reference herein. In making my decision to open an Account and enter into this Participation Agreement, I have not relied upon any representations or other information, whether written or oral, other than as set forth in the Program Description and this Participation Agreement, and I have considered the availability of the alternative education savings and investment programs, including other Section 529 college savings plans.

(b) I UNDERSTAND THAT (i) THE VALUE OF AN ACCOUNT WILL INCREASE OR DECREASE BASED ON THE INVESTMENT PERFORMANCE OF THE PORTFOLIO(S) IN WHICH CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ACCOUNT HAVE BEEN ALLOCATED AND THE UNDERLYING INVESTMENTS IN WHICH THEY INVEST OR SUCH OTHER FUNDS, SECURITIES OR INVESTMENTS SELECTED BY THE COMMITTEE; (ii) THE VALUE OF AN ACCOUNT MAY BE MORE OR LESS THAN THE AMOUNT CONTRIBUTED TO THE ACCOUNT; (iii) ALL CONTRIBUTIONS TO AN INVESTMENT OPTION ARE SUBJECT TO INVESTMENT RISKS, INCLUDING THE RISK OF LOSS OF ALL OR PART OF THE CONTRIBUTIONS AND ANY RETURN OR INTEREST EARNED THEREON; AND (iv) THE VALUE OF THE ACCOUNT MAY NOT BE ADEQUATE TO FUND QUALIFIED HIGHER EDUCATION EXPENSES. I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THERE IS NO GUARANTEE OF A RATE OF INTEREST OR RETURN ON ANY ACCOUNT. I UNDERSTAND

THAT THE POTENTIAL TAX ADVANTAGES FOR THE ACCOUNT MAY BE NEGATIVELY AFFECTED BY FUTURE CHANGES IN TAX LAWS, REGULATIONS OR RULES. NONE OF THE PLAN OFFICIALS INSURE ANY ACCOUNT OR GUARANTEE ANY RATE OF RETURN OR ANY INTEREST RATE ON ANY CONTRIBUTION, AND NONE OF THE AFOREMENTIONED SHALL BE LIABLE FOR ANY LOSS INCURRED BY ANY PERSON AS A RESULT OF PARTICIPATING IN THE BRIGHTER FUTURE ADVISOR PLAN.

(c) I understand that if I, or the Designated Beneficiary do not live or pay taxes in Arkansas: (i) the state(s) in which I or my Designated Beneficiary live or pay taxes may offer a Section 529 college savings plan that may offer state income tax or other state benefits such as financial aid, scholarship funds, and protection from creditors not available through the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, and (ii) I may want to consult with a qualified tax advisor regarding the state tax consequences of investing in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, if such benefits are important to me.

(d) I understand that once invested in a particular Portfolio, Contributions and any earnings may only be transferred to another Portfolio up to two times per calendar year or upon a change of the Designated Beneficiary. I understand that only the Committee will have the authority to make decisions concerning the Underlying Investments and the selection of the Program Manager. I understand that any Portfolio may at any time be merged, terminated, reorganized or cease accepting new Contributions, and any such action affecting a Portfolio may result in Contributions being reinvested in a Portfolio different from the Portfolio in which Contributions were originally invested.

(e) With respect to each investment option, I understand and acknowledge that my Contributions or investment returns so allocated to my Account are not guaranteed or insured by any person or entity except for the Savings Portfolio, which offers FDIC insurance on a pass-through basis to Account Owners (subject to the limits described in the section *PART II – THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIOS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - FDIC-INSURED PORTFOLIO*). Investment returns will vary depending upon the Portfolios I choose and I could lose all or a portion of my investment depending on market conditions.

(f) I understand that although I own Units in a Portfolio, I do not have a direct beneficial interest in the Underlying Investments approved by the Committee from time to time or other instruments held by the Portfolios, and, therefore, I do not have the rights of an owner or shareholder of such Underlying Investments or other instruments held by the Portfolios. I further understand that I received no advice or investment recommendation from, or on behalf of, any of the Plan Officials. Any advice I have received has been provided by a financial professional of my choice.

(g) I agree that each Contribution to the Account shall constitute my representation that each Contribution (together with the current Account and all other accounts of which I am aware that have been established under the Trust for the same Designated Beneficiary) will not cause the aggregate balances in such accounts to exceed the amount reasonably believed by me to be necessary to provide for the Designated Beneficiary's future Qualified Higher Education Expenses, and in any event will not cause such aggregate balances in all accounts to exceed the Maximum Contribution Limit then in effect.

(h) I understand that I am solely responsible for determining which qualified tuition program is best suited to my needs and objectives. I understand that each of the investment options within the Brighter Future Advisor Plan may not be suitable, and that the Brighter Future Advisor Plan may not be suitable, for all investors as a means of saving and investing for higher education costs. I have determined that an investment in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan is a suitable investment for me as a means of saving for the Qualified Higher Education Expenses of the Designated Beneficiary of my Account.

(i) I certify that all of the information that I provided in the Application and any other documentation subsequently furnished in connection with the opening or maintenance of, or any withdrawals from, the Account is and shall be accurate and complete, and I agree to notify the Program Manager promptly of any material changes in such information.

(j) I understand that participation in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan does not guarantee that any Designated Beneficiary: (i) will be admitted as a student to any Eligible Educational Institution, Post-Secondary

Credentialing Program, K-12 school, or Registered Apprenticeship Program; or other program; (ii) if accepted, will be permitted to continue as a student; (iii) will graduate from such program(s); (iv) will be treated as a state resident of any state for tuition purposes; or (v) will achieve any particular treatment under applicable federal or state financial aid programs. Further, I understand that participation in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan does not guarantee Arkansas in-state tuition rates at Arkansas state schools.

(k) I will not use an Account as collateral for any loan, and agree that any attempted use of an Account as collateral for a loan shall be void.

(l) I will not assign or transfer any interest in any Account except as permitted by Section 529 or the Act, and any regulations issued thereunder, and agree that any attempted assignment or transfer of such an interest shall be void. Notwithstanding the foregoing, I understand that I may designate a Successor Account Owner to whom the Account will be assigned in the event of my death. Accounts registered as trust accounts may not designate a Successor Account Owner.

(m) I understand that the Brighter Future Advisor Plan will not lend money or other assets to any Account Owner or Designated Beneficiary.

(n) I understand that the Brighter Future Advisor Plan is established and maintained pursuant to the Act and is intended to qualify for treatment as a qualified tuition program within the meaning of Section 529. The Act and Section 529 are subject to change and neither the Committee nor the Program Manager makes any representations that either the Act or Section 529 regulations, rules, guidance, notices, or other guidance issued thereunder will not be changed or repealed, or that the terms and conditions of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan will remain as currently described in the Program Description and this Participation Agreement.

(o) I certify that I am a natural person, at least 18 years of age and a citizen or a resident alien of the United States of America with a valid Social Security number or taxpayer identification number, who resides in the United States of America or, that I have the requisite legal authority to enter into this Participation Agreement and to open an Account. I also certify that the person named Designated Beneficiary of the Account is a citizen or a resident of the United States of America with a valid Social Security number or taxpayer identification number. I understand that if I have granted access to a third party to view or transact business in my Account, the Committee and the Program Manager reserve the right to terminate that access at any time without your permission, or the permission of the third party, in cases of threatening conduct or suspicious, fraudulent or illegal activity.

(p) I understand that any Contributions credited to my Account will be deemed by the Program Manager to have been received from me and that Contributions by third parties may result in adverse tax or other consequences to me or such third parties.

(q) I agree and acknowledge that included in the Fees and Expenses section of the Program Description are investment management fees and other expenses charged by each of the Portfolios in which Account assets are invested.

(r) I understand that I am opening this Account to provide funds for Qualified Higher Education Expenses of the Designated Beneficiary of the Account and that I should retain adequate records relating to withdrawals from my Account.

(s) I understand that the Committee or the Program Manager may ask me to provide additional documentation that may be required by applicable law or the Program Description, and I agree to promptly comply with any such requests for additional documents.

(t) I understand that purchases and sales of Units held in my Account may be confirmed to me on periodic Account statements in lieu of an immediate confirmation. I acknowledge and agree that I have an affirmative duty to promptly review any and all trade confirmations and Account statements for accuracy and completeness and to immediately notify the Brighter Future Advisor Plan of any items I believe to be in error.

(u) I agree that I have been given an opportunity, within a reasonable time prior to my execution of the Application, to ask questions of representatives of the Program Manager and to receive satisfactory answers concerning: (a) my participation in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan; (b) the terms and conditions governing the Brighter Future Advisor Plan; (c) the particular investment options that are available in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan; (d) the Program Description, the Program Regulations, the Participation Agreement and the Application; (e) the applicable fees and expenses charged in connection with the Brighter Future Advisor Plan; and (f) my ability to obtain such additional information necessary to verify the accuracy of any information furnished.

(v) If I am opening an Account as a custodian for a minor under UGMA/UTMA, I represent that (i) I am duly authorized to act as the UGMA/UTMA custodian and open an Account for the Designated Beneficiary, (ii) the Program Description may not discuss tax consequences and other aspects of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan of particular relevance to UGMA/UTMA accounts, and (iii) I, as custodian will consult with and rely on the advice of a professional advisor as necessary to discharge my duties to the Designated Beneficiary with respect to the Account. I understand and agree that I assume responsibility for any adverse consequences resulting from the establishment, maintenance, or termination of the Account.

(w) If I am opening an Account as a trustee for a trust, I represent that (i) I, in my capacity as trustee am duly authorized to act as trustee for the trust; (iii) the Program Description may not discuss tax consequences and other aspects of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan of particular relevance to the trust and individuals having an interest in the trust; and (iv) I, as trustee, for the benefit of the trust, have consulted and will consult with a professional advisor as necessary to discharge my duties to the trust with respect to the Account. I understand and agree that I assume responsibility for any adverse consequences resulting from the establishment, maintenance, or termination of the Account.

(x) If I am opening an Account on behalf of a government entity, corporation, association, partnership or other entity, I represent that I have the requisite authority to enter into, and bind such entity to, this Participation Agreement and open an Account in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan for the benefit of the Designated Beneficiary. I understand and agree that I assume responsibility for any adverse consequences resulting from the establishment, maintenance, or termination of the Account.

(y) I understand that tax laws are subject to change, and that any such change may have adverse tax and other consequences to me.

(z) I understand that the Program Manager may periodically provide my financial professional with information regarding my Account and the ability to access my Account and perform certain transactions on my behalf as set forth in the Application. Plan Officials, at their discretion, may terminate my financial professional's authority to access my Account.

(aa) I understand that my participation in the Plan does not constitute the provision of an investment advisory service to me by the Trust, the Committee, the Program Manager, its affiliates or subcontractors.

(bb) I represent that I understand that (i) the state(s) where I or my Designated Beneficiary reside or pay taxes may offer one or more direct sold, advisor/broker sold or prepaid tuition plans under Section 529 (each an "In-State Plan"); and (ii) such In-State Plans may offer state income tax or other benefits not available through the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. The Program Description, this Participation Agreement, the Application and the other forms approved for use in connection with the Brighter Future Advisor Plan do not address taxes imposed by a state other than Arkansas, or the applicability of state or local taxes other than the State of Arkansas.

(cc) I represent that I have considered investing in an In-State Plan and consulted with a tax advisor regarding the state tax consequences of investing in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan if realizing state or local income tax or other benefits are important to me.

(dd) I understand that neither the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, the State of Arkansas, ABD and its affiliates and subcontractors will indemnify any Account Owner or Designated Beneficiary against losses or other claims arising from the official or unofficial acts, negligent or otherwise, of the Committee or state employees. I further understand that the Committee, ABD, its affiliates and subcontractors may seek to recover any amounts expended in connection with any claims or other matters arising out of or from the acts, errors or omission of any of the investment managers of the Underlying Investments.

(ee) I understand that the Plan Officials and their respective affiliates and service providers may send mailings (including email and direct mail) directed to me or to the Designated Beneficiary of brochures, pamphlets, and other advertising or marketing information concerning the Plan Officials and their respective affiliates and service providers or the products or services thereof.

8. **Fees and Expenses**. The Account is subject to fees and expenses to pay for the costs of managing and administering the Brighter Future Advisor Plan as described in the Program Description under the heading *PART IV - ACCOUNT AND PORTFOLIO FEES AND EXPENSES*.

9. **Necessity of Qualification**. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan intends to qualify for favorable federal tax treatment under Section 529. Because this qualification is vital to the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, the Committee may modify the Brighter Future Advisor Plan or amend this Participation Agreement at any time if the Committee decides that the change is needed to meet the requirements of Section 529 or the regulations administered by the Internal Revenue Service pursuant to Section 529, Arkansas State law, or applicable rules or regulations promulgated by the Committee or to ensure the proper administration of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan.

10. **Reports**. The Program Manager will send you periodic statements of your Account and periodic confirms on transactions in your Account. The Program Manager will provide tax reporting as required by applicable law. If you do not write to the Program Manager to object to a statement, a confirmation or report within ten (10) days after it has been sent to you, you will be considered to have approved it and to have released the State of Arkansas, the Trust and the Program Manager from all responsibility for matters covered by the report. You agree to provide all information the Committee or the Program Manager may need to comply with any legal reporting requirements. You will continue to be responsible for filing your federal tax return and any other reports required of you by law.

11. **Amendment and Termination**. The Committee may from time to time amend the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, this Participation Agreement, the Program Description, or the Program Regulations, cause a withdrawal to be made from your Account to satisfy applicable laws including anti-money laundering laws, and may suspend or terminate the Brighter Future Advisor Plan by giving you written notice (which amendment shall be effective upon the date specified in the notice), but the Brighter Future Advisor Plan may not thereby be diverted from the exclusive benefit of you and your Designated Beneficiary. Nothing contained in the Program Description, this Participation Agreement, or the Program Regulations is an agreement or representation by the State of Arkansas, the Trust, Program Manager or any other person that it will continue to maintain the Brighter Future Advisor Plan indefinitely.

A termination of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan or this Participation Agreement by the Committee or the Trust may result in a Non-Qualified Withdrawal for which tax and penalties may be assessed. No provision of this Participation Agreement can be amended or waived except in writing signed by an authorized representative of the Committee.

12. **Effective Date; Incorporation of Application**. This Participation Agreement shall become effective between the Committee and you upon the first deposit to your Account or the acceptance of your properly completed Application by the Program Manager by and on behalf of the Committee, whichever occurs first, subject to the Committee's or the Program Manager's right to reject the Application if, in processing the Application, it is determined that the Application is not in good order.

13. **Applicable Law**. This Participation Agreement is governed by the laws of the State of Arkansas without regard to its conflicts of law principles.

14. **Extraordinary Events**. Plan Officials shall not be liable for any loss, failure or delay in performance of each of their obligations related to your Account or any diminution in the value of your Account arising out of or caused, directly or indirectly, by circumstances beyond their reasonable control, including a Force Majeure.

15. **Severability**. In the event that any clause, provision, or portion of this Participation Agreement is found to be invalid, illegal, void or unenforceable by reason of any law, rule, administrative order or judicial decision of a court of competent jurisdiction, that clause or portion will be severed from this Participation Agreement and the remainder shall continue in full force and effect as if such clause or portion had never been included.

16. **Disputes**. All decisions and interpretations by the Committee and the Program Manager in connection with the operation of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan shall be final and binding upon you, the Designated Beneficiary and any other person affected thereby. Any claim by you against the State of Arkansas, the Committee, the Trust, the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, or any of their respective affiliates or their officers, employees, or agents, pursuant to this Participation Agreement or the Brighter Future Advisor Plan shall be made solely against the assets of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. You hereby submit (on behalf of yourself and your Designated Beneficiary) to exclusive jurisdiction of courts in Arkansas for all legal proceedings arising out of or relating to this Participation Agreement. If you have a substantial interest affected by a decision of the Committee you may appeal to the Committee in writing in accordance with the Committee's procedures. The Committee shall review the documentation and other submissions and make a determination within sixty (60) days. The Committee's appeal determination shall be in writing and returned to the appellant. All appeal decisions of the Committee shall be final.

17. **Arbitration**.

a. **Arbitration. This is a pre-dispute arbitration clause. Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to the Program or the Program Description, or the breach, termination, or validity of this Program or the Enrollment Form, including but not limited to any dispute over the scope of this arbitration clause, shall be submitted to arbitration administered by JAMS in accordance with its Comprehensive Arbitration Rules and Procedures and its Policy on Consumer Arbitrations, both of which are made part of this Participation Agreement, and judgment on the award rendered by the arbitrator(s) may be entered in any court having jurisdiction thereof.**

In connection with my arbitration, I understand that:

Both the Plan Officials and I are giving up important rights under state law, including the right to sue in court and the right to trial by jury, except as provided by the JAMS rules incorporated herein. I further understand that:

- **i. arbitration awards are generally final and binding, and my ability to have a court reverse or modify an arbitration award is very limited;**
- **ii. my ability to obtain documents, witness statements, and other discovery is generally more limited in arbitration than in court proceedings;**
- **iii. the potential cost of arbitration may be more or less than the cost of litigation;**
- **iv. the arbitrators generally do not have to explain the reason(s) for their award, and the Plan does not guarantee that it will join any request I may make for such an explanation;**
- **v. the arbitrator(s) selected to hear the case may or may not be affiliated with the securities industry;**
- **vi. in limited circumstances, a claim that is ineligible for arbitration may be brought in court; and**
- **vii. the rules of the arbitration forum are incorporated by reference into this Participation Agreement and are available by contacting the Plan or at www.JAMSadr.com.**

b. **To the extent permitted by applicable law, the terms and conditions of the agreement between me and the Plan Officials and Arkansas law will be applied by the arbitrator(s) without regard to conflict of laws principles. Neither the Plan Officials nor I can bring a putative or certified class action to arbitration, or seek to enforce and pre-dispute arbitration agreement against any person who has initiated in court a putative class action; who is a member of a putative class who has not opted out of the class with respect to any claims encompassed by the putative class action until: (i) the class certification is denied; or (ii) the class is decertified; or (iii) the person is excluded from the class by the court. A failure to enforce this arbitration provision does not constitute a waiver**

of any of the Program Administrator's rights under the Program Description or the Enrollment Form or my Account except to the extent set forth in this Arbitration Section.

18. **Lawsuits Involving Your Account**. By opening an Account you are submitting (on behalf of yourself and your Designated Beneficiary) to the exclusive jurisdiction of the courts of Arkansas for all legal proceedings arising out of or relating to your Account. The Committee or the Program Manager may apply to a court at any time for judicial settlement of any matter involving your Account. If the Committee or the Program Manager does so, they must give you or your Designated Beneficiary the opportunity to participate in the court proceeding, but they also can involve other persons. Any expense incurred by the Committee or the Program Manager in legal proceedings involving your Account, including attorney's fees and expenses, are chargeable to your Account and payable by you or your Designated Beneficiary if not paid from your Account.

19. **Binding Nature**. This Participation Agreement shall be binding upon the parties and their respective heirs, successors, beneficiaries and permitted assigns. You agree that all of your representations and obligations under this Participation Agreement shall inure to the benefit of the Committee and the Program Manager, all of whom can rely upon and enforce your representations and obligations contained in this Participation Agreement.

The Brighter Future Advisor Plan is a college tuition savings program sponsored by the State of Arkansas and is administered by The Arkansas 529 Plan Review Committee (Committee). Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC (ABD), the Program Manager, and its affiliates have overall responsibility for the day-to-day operations, recordkeeping, and administrative services. Ascensus Broker Dealer Services, LLC, has responsibility for marketing and distribution of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan. BlackRock Fund Advisors serves as Investment Manager of the Brighter Future Advisor Plan except for the Savings Portfolio, which is managed by Sallie Mae Bank. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan's Portfolios invest in either (i) exchange traded funds; or (ii) a Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)-insured omnibus savings account held in trust by the Committee at Sallie Mae Bank. The Brighter Future Advisor Plan's Portfolios, although they invest in exchange traded funds, are not exchange traded funds. Units of the Portfolios are municipal securities, and the value of units will vary with market conditions.

Investment returns will vary depending on the performance of the Portfolios you choose. Except to the extent of FDIC insurance available for the Savings Portfolio, you could lose all or a portion of your money by investing in the Brighter Future Advisor Plan, depending on market conditions. Account Owners assume all investment risks as well as responsibility for any federal and state tax consequences.

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APPENDIX A: UNDERLYING INVESTMENTS

OVERVIEW OF UNDERLYING INVESTMENTS

Introduction to iShares

Each underlying investment (each, an "Underlying Investment"), other than money market funds and the Underlying Investment for the Savings Portfolio, is an "index fund" that seeks investment results that correspond generally to the price and yield performance of a particular index (its "Underlying Index") as developed by an index provider, before fees and expenses of the fund.

An index is a financial calculation based on a grouping of financial instruments that an index provider selects as representative of a market, market segment or specific industry sector. The index provider determines the relative weightings of the securities in the index and publishes information regarding the market value of the index.

Each Underlying Investment invests in securities that correspond generally to one of the below asset classes, as set forth in the tables on the previous pages. The asset classes are defined as follows:

U.S. Equities – U.S. domiciled publicly-traded common stocks.

International Equities – Non-U.S. domiciled publicly-traded common stocks.

Real Estate – Property and real estate as represented by REITs.

Fixed Income – Bonds and other income-producing debt securities.

BFA, the investment adviser to each Underlying Fund, is a wholly-owned subsidiary of BlackRock Inc. BFA and its affiliates are not affiliated with the index providers.

Principal Investment Strategies of the Underlying Investments, just below, and *APPENDIX B – PORTFOLIOS AND UNDERLYING INVESTMENT RISKS* discuss the principal strategies and risks applicable.

Principal Investment Strategies of the Underlying Investments

BFA uses a "passive" or indexing approach to achieve each Underlying Fund's investment objective. Unlike many investment companies, the Underlying Funds do not try to "beat" the indexes they track and do not seek temporary defensive positions when markets decline or appear overvalued.

Indexing may eliminate the chance that an Underlying Investment will substantially outperform its Underlying Index but also may reduce some of the risks of active management, such as poor security selection. Indexing seeks to achieve lower costs and better after-tax performance by keeping portfolio turnover low in comparison to actively managed investment companies.

Underlying Investments may invest a portion of their assets in futures, options, and swaps contracts, cash and cash equivalents, including shares of money market funds advised by BFA or its affiliates, as well as in securities not included in the Underlying Index, but which BFA believes will help the Underlying Funds track the Underlying Index. For all Underlying Investments that are ETFs, BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the underlying investment.

"Representative sampling" is an indexing strategy that involves investing in a representative sample of securities that collectively has an investment profile similar to that of an applicable underlying index. The securities selected are expected to have, in the aggregate, investment characteristics (based on factors such as market value and industry weightings), fundamental characteristics (such as return variability, duration, maturity, credit ratings and yield) and liquidity measures similar to those of an applicable underlying index.

UNDERLYING INVESTMENTS

The iShares 529 Portfolios, other than the Savings Portfolio, as of the date of this Program Description, each hold one or more of the following Underlying Investments. The investment objectives and principal investment strategies of the Underlying Investments are briefly summarized below. These summaries are based upon information contained in the most recent prospectus of each Underlying Investment available prior to the publication of this Program Description. The descriptions reference only the principal investment risks of the Underlying Investments; however, the current prospectus and statement of additional information of each Underlying Investment identify additional risks that are not discussed below and contain information not summarized in this Program Description. The information below is qualified in all instances by reference to each Underlying Investment's prospectus and statement of additional information which you can obtain by visiting www.blackrock.com or by calling 800-474-2737. You may wish to speak to an investment advisor to understand the specific risks associated with each Underlying Investment.

The investment objective, investment strategies and investment risks of an Underlying Investment may change at any time, without the consent of, or notice to, an Account Owner. The principal investment risks of the Underlying Investments listed above are discussed under *APPENDIX B – PORTFOLIOS AND UNDERLYING INVESTMENT RISKS*. The Investment Manager, in consultation with Program Manager, has the right to change the Underlying Investments in which the Portfolios invest without prior notice to Account Owners. The investment objectives, investment strategies and investment risks of an Underlying Investment may change at any time without notice to any Account Owner.

iShares Russell 1000 ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares Russell 1000 ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of large- and mid-capitalization U.S. equities.

Principal Investment Strategy

The index, the Russell 1000® Index, measures the performance of the large- and mid-capitalization sectors of the U.S. equity market. The Russell 1000® Index is a subset of the Russell 3000 Index, which measures the performance of the broad U.S. equity market, as defined by FTSE Russell ("Russell"). The Russell 1000® Index includes issuers representing approximately 92% of the market capitalization of all publicly-traded U.S. equity securities. The Russell 1000® Index is a float-adjusted capitalization-weighted index of equity securities issued by the approximately 1000 largest issuers in the Russell 3000 Index. As of March 31, 2025, a significant portion of the Underlying Index was represented by securities of companies in the technology industry or sector. The components of the Underlying Index are likely to change over time. The Fund generally will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of its Underlying Index and in investments that have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the component securities of its Underlying Index (i.e., depositary receipts representing securities of the Underlying Index) and may invest up to 20% of its assets in certain futures, options and swap contracts, cash and cash equivalents, including shares of money market funds advised by BFA or its affiliates, as well as in securities not included in the Underlying Index, but which BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Concentration Risk, Equity Securities Risk, Index-Related Risk, Issuer Risk, Large-Capitalization Companies Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Risk of Investing in the United States, Securities Lending Risk, Technology Companies Risk, Tracking Error Risk

iShares Russell 2000 ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares Russell 2000 ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of small-capitalization U.S. equities.

Principal Investment Strategy

The index, the Russell 2000® Index, measures the performance of the small-capitalization sector of the U.S. equity market. The Russell 2000® Index is a subset of the Russell 3000 Index, which measures the performance of the broad U.S. equity market, as defined by Russell. The index is a float-adjusted capitalization-weighted index of equity securities issued by the approximately 1,953 smallest issuers in the Russell 3000 Index. As of March 31, 2025, the underlying index represented approximately 5% of the total market capitalization of the Russell 3000 Index. As of March 31, 2025, a significant portion of the index is represented by securities of companies in the financials, healthcare, and industrials industries or sectors. The components of the Underlying Index are likely to change over time. The Fund generally will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of its underlying index and may invest up to 20% of its assets in certain futures, options and swap contracts, cash and cash equivalents, including shares of money market funds advised by BFA or its affiliates, as well as in securities not included in the Underlying Index, but which BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Concentration Risk, Equity Securities Risk, Financial Companies Risk, Healthcare Companies Risk, Index-Related Risk, Industrial Companies Risk, Issuer Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Risk of Investing in the United States, Securities Lending Risk, Small-Capitalization Companies Risk, Tracking Error Risk

iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares Core S&P Total U.S. Stock Market ETF seeks to track the investment results of a broad-based index composed of U.S. equities.

Principal Investment Strategy

The index, the S&P Total Market Index™, is comprised of the common equities included in the S&P 500® and the S&P Completion Index™. The underlying index consists of all U.S. common equities listed on the New York Stock Exchange (including NYSE Arca, Inc. and NYSE American), the NASDAQ Global Select Market, the NASDAQ Select Market, the NASDAQ Capital Market and Investors Exchange, Cboe BZX, Cboe BYX, Cboe EDGA and Cboe EDGX, Inc. The securities in the index are weighted based on the float-adjusted market value of their outstanding shares. Securities with higher float-adjusted market value have a larger representation in the underlying index. The underlying index includes large-, mid-, small- and micro-capitalization companies. The S&P Completion Index measures the performance of the U.S. mid-, small- and micro-capitalization sector of the U.S. equity market excluding S&P 500 constituents. As of March 31, 2025, the S&P 500 and the S&P Completion Index included approximately 87.86% and 12.14%, respectively, of the market capitalization of the Underlying Index. The Underlying Index includes large-, mid-, small-and micro-capitalization companies and may change over time. As of March 31, 2025, a significant portion of the Underlying Index is represented by securities of companies in the financials and technology industries or sectors. The components of the Underlying Index are likely to change over time. The Fund generally will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of its Underlying Index and in investments that have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the component securities of its Underlying Index (i.e., depositary receipts representing securities of the Underlying Index) and may invest up to 20% of its assets in certain futures, options and swap contracts, cash and cash equivalents, including shares of money market funds advised by BFA or its affiliates, as well as in securities not included in the Underlying Index, but which BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Concentration Risk, Equity Securities Risk, Financial Companies Risk, Index-Related Risk, Issuer Risk, Large-Capitalization Companies Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Risk of Investing in the United States, Securities Lending Risk, Technology Companies Risk, Tracking Error Risk

iShares Core High Dividend ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares Core High Dividend ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of relatively high dividend paying U.S. equities.

Principal Investment Strategy

The index, the Morningstar® Dividend Yield Focus Index℠, offers exposure to high quality U.S.-domiciled companies that have had strong financial health and an ability to sustain above average dividend payouts. The index is a subset of the Morningstar® US Market Index℠ (a diversified broad market index that represents approximately 97% of the market capitalization of publicly-traded U.S. stocks). The index is comprised of qualified income paying securities that are screened for superior company quality and financial health as determined by Morningstar, Inc.'s proprietary index methodology. Stocks in the underlying index represent the top 75 high-yielding stocks meeting the screening requirements. The Underlying Index may include large-, mid-, and small-capitalization companies and may change over time. As of April 30, 2025, a significant portion of the Underlying Index is represented by securities of companies in the consumer defensive, energy, and healthcare industries or sectors. The components of the Underlying Index are likely to change over time. The Fund generally will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of the Underlying Index and may invest up to 20% of its assets in certain futures, options and swap contracts, cash and cash equivalents, including shares of money market funds advised by BFA or its affiliates, as well as in securities not included in the Underlying Index, but which BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Concentration Risk, Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk, Dividend-Paying Stock Risk, Energy Companies Risk, Equity Securities Risk, Healthcare Companies Risk, Index-Related Risk, Issuer Risk, Large-Capitalization Companies Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Non-Diversification Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Risk of Investing in the United States, Securities Lending Risk, Tracking Error Risk

iShares Core U.S. REIT ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares Core U.S. REIT ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. real estate equities.

Principal Investment Strategy

The index, the FTSE Nareit Equity REITs Index, measures the performance of U.S. listed equity real estate investment trusts ("REITs"), excluding infrastructure REITs, mortgage REITs, and timber REITs. As of April 30, 2025, the underlying index is represented by the securities of 132 REITs, which invest in U.S. real estate markets. The components of the underlying index may change over time. The Fund generally will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of the Underlying Index and may invest up to 20% of its assets in certain futures, options and swap contracts, cash and cash equivalents, including shares of money market funds advised by BFA or its affiliates, as well as in securities not included in the Underlying Index, but which BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Concentration Risk, Dividend-Paying Stock Risk, Equity Securities Risk, Index-Related Risk, Issuer Risk, Large-Capitalization Companies Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Real Estate Companies Risk, Risk of Investing in the United States, Securities Lending Risk, Tracking Error Risk

iShares Core MSCI EAFE ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares Core MSCI EAFE ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of large-, mid- and small-capitalization developed market equities, excluding the U.S. and Canada.

Principal Investment Strategy

The index, the MSCI EAFE IMI Index, has been developed by MSCI Inc. as an equity benchmark for international stock performance. The index is designed to measure large- and mid-capitalization equity market performance and includes stocks from Europe, Australasia and the Far East. As of July 31, 2025, a significant portion of the Underlying Index is represented by securities of companies in the consumer goods and services, financials, and industrials industries or sectors. The components of the Underlying Index are likely to change over time. The Fund generally will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of the Underlying Index and may invest up to 20% of its assets in certain futures, options and swap contracts, cash and cash equivalents, including shares of money market funds advised by BFA or its affiliates, as well as in securities not included in the Underlying Index, but which BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Concentration Risk, Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk, Currency Risk, Equity Securities Risk, Financial Companies Risk, Index-Related Risk, Industrial Companies Risk, Issuer Risk, Large-Capitalization Companies Risk, Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk, National Closed Market Trading Risk, Non-U.S. Securities Risk, Operational and Technology Risks, Reliance on Trading Partners Risk, Risk of Investing in China, Risk of Investing in Developed Countries, Risk of Investing in Japan, Securities Lending Risk, Tracking Error Risk, Valuation Risk

iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares MSCI EAFE Min Vol Factor ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of developed market equities that, in the aggregate, have lower volatility characteristics relative to the broader developed equity markets, excluding the U.S. and Canada.

Principal Investment Strategy

The index, the MSCI EAFE Minimum Volatility (USD) Index, has been developed by MSCI Inc. to measure the performance of international equity securities (excluding the U.S. and Canada) that in the aggregate have lower volatility relative to the MSCI EAFE Index, which is a capitalization-weighted index. The index includes stocks from Europe, Australasia, the Middle East and the Far East. As of July 31, 2025, a significant portion of the Underlying Index is represented by securities of companies in the consumer goods and services and financials industries or sectors. The components of the Underlying Index are likely to change over time. The Fund generally will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of the Underlying Index and in investments that have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the component securities of the Underlying Index (i.e., depositary receipts representing securities of the Underlying Index) and may invest up to 20% of its assets in certain futures, options and swap contracts, cash and cash equivalents, including shares of money market funds advised by BFA or its affiliates, as well as in securities not included in the Underlying Index, but which BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Concentration Risk, Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk, Currency Risk, Equity Securities Risk, Financial Companies Risk, Index-Related Risk, Issuer Risk, Large-Capitalization Companies Risk, Low Volatility Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk, National Closed Market Trading Risk, Non-U.S. Securities Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Reliance on Trading

Partners Risk, Risk of Investing in Developed Countries, Risk of Investing in Japan, Securities Lending Risk, Tracking Error Risk, Valuation Risk

iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ex-China ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares MSCI Emerging Markets ex China ETF (the "Fund") seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of large- and mid-capitalization emerging market equities, excluding China.

Principal Investment Strategy

The MSCI Emerging Markets ex China Index (the "Underlying Index") is designed to measure equity market performance in global emerging markets (with the exception of China). The Underlying Index is a free float-adjusted market capitalization-weighted index that captures large- and mid-capitalization stocks across 23 of the 24 emerging markets countries (as defined by MSCI Inc. (the "Index Provider" or "MSCI")), excluding China. The Underlying Index covers approximately 85% of the free float-adjusted market capitalization of each of the following countries: Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Czech Republic, Egypt, Greece, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Kuwait, Malaysia, Mexico, Peru, the Philippines, Poland, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, South Korea, Taiwan, Thailand, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates. As of August 31, 2025, a significant portion of the Underlying Index is represented by securities of companies in the financials and technology industries or sectors. The components of the Underlying Index are likely to change over time. BFA uses a representative sampling indexing strategy to manage the Fund.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Commodity Risk, Concentration Risk, Currency Risk, Custody Risk, Equity Securities Risk, Financial Companies Risk, Index-Related Risk, Issuer Risk, Large-Capitalization Companies Risk, Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk, National Closed Market Trading Risk, Non-U.S. Securities Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Reliance on Trading Partners Risk, Risk of Investing in Emerging Markets, Risk of Investing in India, Risk of Investing in Russia, Risk of Investing in Saudi Arabia, Risk of Investing in Taiwan, Securities Lending Risk, Technology Companies Risk, Tracking Error Risk, Valuation Risk

iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares Core U.S. Aggregate Bond ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of the total U.S. investment-grade bond market.

Principal Investment Strategy

The index, the Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Bond Index, measures the performance of the total U.S. investment-grade (as determined by Bloomberg Index Services Limited) bond market, which includes investment-grade U.S. Treasury bonds, government-related bonds, corporate bonds, mortgage-backed pass-through securities ("MBS"), commercial mortgage-backed securities ("CMBS"), and asset-backed securities ("ABS") that are publicly offered for sale in the United States. As of February 28, 2025, a significant portion of the Underlying Index is represented by MBS and U.S. Treasury securities. The components of the Underlying Index are likely to change over time. The securities in the index must have $300 million or more of outstanding face value and must have at least one year remaining to maturity, with the exception of amortizing securities such as ABS and MBS, which have lower minimum thresholds as defined by Bloomberg. In addition, the securities must be denominated in U.S. dollars and must be fixed-rate, non-convertible, and taxable. The Fund will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of the Underlying Index and TBAs that have economic characteristics that are substantially identical to the economic characteristics of the component securities of the Underlying Index, and the Fund will invest at least 90% of its assets in fixed income securities of the types included in the Underlying Index that BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index. The Fund will invest no more than 10% of its assets in futures, options and swap contracts that BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index as well as fixed income securities other than the types included in the Underlying Index, but which BFA believes will help track the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Call Risk, Concentration Risk, Credit Risk, Extension Risk, Income Risk, Index-Related Risk, Interest Rate Risk, Issuer Risk, Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Prepayment Risk, Risk of Investing in China, Risk of Investing in the China Bond Market, Risk of Investing in the United States, Securities Lending Risk, Tracking Error Risk, US Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk, US Treasury Obligations Risk, Valuation Risk

iShares TIPS Bond ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares TIPS Bond ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of inflation-protected U.S. Treasury bonds.

Principal Investment Strategy

The fund seeks to track the investment results of the ICE U.S. Treasury Inflation Linked Bond Index, which tracks the performance of inflation-protected public obligations of the U.S. Treasury, commonly known as “TIPS,” that have a remaining maturity of more than one year. TIPS are securities issued by the U.S. Treasury that are designed to provide inflation protection to investors. Qualifying securities must have more than one year remaining to final maturity as of the rebalancing date and at least $300 million of outstanding face value, excluding amounts held by the Federal Reserve System Open Market Account (“SOMA”). In addition, the securities must have a fixed coupon schedule and must be denominated in U.S. dollars. Index constituents are market capitalization weighted based on amounts outstanding reduced by amounts held by the Federal Reserve SOMA. The index is rebalanced on the last calendar day of each month. The Fund will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of the Underlying Index, and the Fund will invest at least 90% of its assets in U.S. Treasury securities that BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index. The Fund will invest no more than 10% of its assets in futures, options, and swaps contracts that BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index. Cash and cash equivalent investments associated with a derivative position will be treated as part of that position for the purposes of calculating the percentage of investments included in the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Concentration Risk, Income Risk, Index-Related Risk, Inflation-Indexed Bonds Risk, Interest Rate Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Risk of Investing in the United States, Securities Lending Risk, Tracking Error Risk, US Treasury Obligations Risk

iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares 20+ Year Treasury Bond ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. Treasury bonds with remaining maturities greater than twenty years.

Principal Investment Strategy

The index, the ICE U.S. Treasury 20+ Year Bond Index, includes publicly-issued, U.S. Treasury securities that have a remaining maturity greater than or equal to 20 years and have $300 million or more of outstanding face value, excluding amounts held by the Federal Reserve System. In addition, the securities in the index must be fixed-rate and denominated in U.S. dollars. Excluded from the index are inflation-linked securities, Treasury bills, cash management bills, any government agency debt issued with or without a government guarantee and zero-coupon issues that have been stripped from coupon-paying bonds. The Fund generally invests at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of the

Underlying Index, and the Fund will invest at least 90% of its assets in U.S. Treasury securities that BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index. The Fund will invest no more than 10% of its assets in futures, options, and swaps contracts that BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index. Cash and cash equivalent investments associated with a derivative position will be treated as part of that position for the purposes of calculating the percentage of investments included in the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Concentration Risk, Income Risk, Index-Related Risk, Interest Rate Risk, Issuer Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Risk of Investing in the United States, Securities Lending Risk, Tracking Error Risk, US Treasury Obligations Risk

iShares Short Treasury Bond ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares Short Treasury Bond ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. Treasury bonds with remaining maturities of one year or less.

Principal Investment Strategy

The index, the ICE Short US Treasury Securities Index, measures the performance of public obligations of the U.S. Treasury that have a remaining maturity of less than or equal to one year. Under normal circumstances, the Fund will seek to maintain a weighted average maturity of less than or equal to one year. The Underlying Index is market value weighted based on amounts outstanding of issuances consisting of publicly issued U.S. Treasury securities with a remaining term to final maturity of less than or equal to one year as of the rebalance date and have $1 billion or more of outstanding face value, excluding amounts held by the Federal Reserve System Open Market Account. In addition, the securities in the Underlying Index must have a fixed coupon schedule and be denominated in U.S. dollars. Excluded from the index are inflation-linked debt and zero-coupon bonds that have been stripped from coupon-paying bonds. The Fund will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of the Underlying Index, and the Fund will invest at least 90% of its assets in U.S. Treasury securities that BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index. The Fund will invest no more than 10% of its assets in futures, options and swaps contracts that BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Concentration Risk, High Portfolio Turnover Risk, Income Risk, Index-Related Risk, Interest Rate Risk, Issuer Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Risk of Investing in the United States, Securities Lending Risk, Tracking Error Risk, US Treasury Obligations Risk

iShares 1-3 Year Treasury Bond ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares 1-3 Year Treasury Bond ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. Treasury bonds with remaining maturities between one and three years.

Principal Investment Strategy

The index, the ICE U.S. Treasury 1-3 Year Bond Index, consists of publicly-issued U.S. Treasury securities that have a remaining maturity of greater than or equal to one year and less than three years and have $300 million or more of outstanding face value, excluding amounts held by the Federal Reserve System. In addition, the securities in the index must be fixed-rate and denominated in U.S. dollars. Excluded from the index are inflation-linked securities, Treasury bills, cash management bills, any government agency debt issued with or without a government guarantee and zero-coupon issues that have been stripped from coupon-paying bonds. The Fund will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of the Underlying Index and at least 90% of its assets in U.S. Treasury securities that BFA believes will help the

Fund track the Underlying Index. The Fund will invest no more than 10% of its assets in futures, options and swap contracts that BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Concentration Risk, Income Risk, Index-Related Risk, Interest Rate Risk, Issuer Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Risk of Investing in the United States, Securities Lending Risk, Tracking Error Risk, US Treasury Obligations Risk

iShares 1-5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares 1-5 Year Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. dollar-denominated, investment-grade corporate bonds with remaining maturities between one and five years.

Principal Investment Strategy

The index, ICE BofA 1-5 Year US Corporate Index, measures the performance of investment-grade corporate bonds of both U.S. and non-U.S. issuers that are U.S. dollar-denominated and publicly issued in the U.S. domestic market and have a remaining maturity of greater than or equal to one year and less than five years. The components of the Underlying Index are likely to change over time. The index consists of investment-grade corporate bonds of both U.S. and non-U.S. issuers that have a remaining maturity of greater than or equal to one year and less than five years, have been publicly issued in the U.S. domestic market, and have $250 million or more of outstanding face value. In addition, the securities in the Underlying Index must be denominated in U.S. dollars and must be fixed-rate. Excluded from the Underlying Index are equity-linked securities, securities in legal default, hybrid securitized corporate bonds, Eurodollar bonds (U.S. dollar-denominated securities not issued in the U.S. domestic market), taxable and tax-exempt U.S. municipal securities and dividends-received-deduction-eligible securities. The Fund will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of the Underlying Index, and the Fund will invest at least 90% of its assets in fixed income securities of the types included in the Underlying Index. The Fund will invest no more than 10% of its assets in futures, options, and swaps contracts that BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Call Risk, Concentration Risk, Credit Risk, Currency Risk, Financial Companies Risk, Income Risk, Index-Related Risk, Interest Rate Risk, Issuer Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, National Closed Market Trading Risk, Non-U.S. Securities Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Privately Issued Securities Risk, Reliance on Trading Partners Risk, Risk of Investing in China, Risk of Investing in the China Bond Market, Risk of Investing in Developed Countries, Risk of Investing in Russia, Risk of Investing in Saudi Arabia, Risk of Investing in the United States, Securities Lending Risk, Tracking Error Risk, Valuation Risk

iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares iBoxx $ Investment Grade Corporate Bond ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. dollar-denominated, investment-grade corporate bonds.

Principal Investment Strategy

The Underlying Fund seeks to track the investment results of the Markit iBoxx® USD Liquid Investment Grade Index, a rules-based index consisting of U.S. dollar-denominated, investment grade corporate bonds for sale in the U.S. The index is designed to provide a broad representation of the U.S. dollar-denominated liquid investment-grade corporate bond market. The index is a modified market-value weighted index with a cap on each issuer of 3% and there is no limit to the number of issues in the index. The components of the Underlying Index are likely to change over time. The Fund will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of the Underlying Index, and will invest at least 90% of its assets in fixed income securities of the types included in the Underlying Index. The Fund will invest no more than 10% of its assets in futures, options, and swaps contracts that BFA believes will help the Fund track the Underlying Index as well as in fixed income securities other than the types included in the Underlying Index, but which BFA believes will help the fund track the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Call Risk, Concentration Risk, Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk, Credit Risk, Financial Companies Risk, Income Risk, Index-Related Risk, Interest Rate Risk, Issuer Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Risk of Investing in China, Risk of Investing in the China Bond Market, Risk of Investing in the United States, Securities Lending Risk, Tracking Error Risk, Valuation Risk

iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond ETF

Investment Objective

The iShares iBoxx $ High Yield Corporate Bond ETF seeks to track the investment results of an index composed of U.S. dollar-denominated, high yield corporate bonds.

Principal Investment Strategy

The index, the Markit iBoxx® USD Liquid High Yield Index, is a rules-based index consisting of U.S. dollar-denominated, high yield corporate bonds for sale in the United States. The index is designed to provide a broad representation of the U.S. dollar-denominated liquid high yield corporate bond market. The index is a modified market-value weighted index with a cap on each issuer of 3%. The components of the Underlying Index are likely to change over time. There is no limit to the number of issues in the index. The Fund will invest at least 80% of its assets in the component securities of the Underlying Index, and the Fund will invest at least 90% of its assets in fixed income securities of the types included in the Underlying Index that BFA believes will help the fund track the Underlying Index. The fund will invest no more than 10% of its assets in futures, options, and swaps contracts that BFA believes will help the fund track the Underlying Index as well as in fixed income securities other than the types included in the Underlying Index, but which BFA believes will help the fund track the Underlying Index.

Principal Risks

Asset Class Risk, Authorized Participant Concentration Risk, Call Risk, Concentration Risk, Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk, Credit Risk, High Yield Securities Risk, Income Risk, Index-Related Risk, Interest Rate Risk, Issuer Risk, Management Risk, Market Risk, Market Trading Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Privately Issued Securities Risk, Risk of Investing in the United States, Securities Lending Risk, Tracking Error Risk, Valuation Risk

BlackRock Cash Funds: Institutional

Investment Objective

The BlackRock Cash Funds: Institutional seeks a high level of income consistent with liquidity and the preservation of capital.

Principal Investment Strategy

The Underlying Fund invests in high-quality, short-term money market instruments that, at the time of investment, have remaining maturities of 397 calendar days or less from the date of acquisition. The Underlying Fund's portfolio will maintain a dollar-weighted average maturity of 60 days or less and a dollar-weighted average life of 120 days or less. Under normal circumstances, the fund expects to invest at least 95% of its assets in any combination of such investments, which may include certificates of deposit; high-quality debt obligations, such as corporate debt and certain asset-backed securities; certain obligations of U.S. and foreign banks; certain repurchase agreements; and certain obligations of the U.S. Government, its agencies and instrumentalities (including government-sponsored enterprises). Unlike the other Underlying Investments, the BlackRock Cash Funds: Institutional is not an index fund and does not utilize a representative sampling indexing strategy.

Principal Risks

Concentration Risk, Credit Risk, Discretionary Liquidity Fee Risk, Expense Risk, Extension Risk, Foreign Exposure Risk, Illiquid Investments Risk, Income Risk, Interest Rate Risk, Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk, Mandatory Liquidity Fee Risk, Market Risk, Mortgage and Asset-Backed Securities Risk, Municipal Securities Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Ownership Limitations Risk, Prepayment Risk, Reliance on Advisor Risk, Repurchase Agreements Risk, Risk of Investing in the United States, Selection Risk, US Government Obligations Risk, US Treasury Obligations Risk, Valuation Risk, Variable and Floating Rate Instrument Risk, When-Issued and Delayed Delivery Securities and Forward Commitments Risk

BlackRock Cash Funds: Treasury

Investment Objective

BlackRock Cash Funds: Treasury seeks current income as is consistent with liquidity and stability of principal.

Principal Investment Strategy

The fund invests in at least 99.5% of its total assets in cash, U.S. Treasury bills, notes and other direct obligations of the U.S. Treasury, and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations or cash. The fund invests in securities maturing in 397 days or less (with certain exceptions) and the portfolio will have a dollar-weighted average maturity of 60 days or less and a dollar-weighted average life of 120 days or less. In addition, the fund may invest in variable and floating rate instruments, and transact in securities on a when-issued, delayed delivery or forward commitment basis. Unlike the other underlying investments, BlackRock Cash Funds: Treasury is not an index fund and does not utilize a representative sampling indexing strategy.

The fund will invest, under normal circumstances, at least 80% of its net assets, plus the amount of any borrowings for investment purposes, in U.S. Treasury bills, notes and other obligations of the U.S. Treasury, and repurchase agreements secured by such obligations.

All money market fund holdings and all future investments of the Year-of-Enrollment and Asset Allocation Portfolios in money market funds will be invested in the BlackRock Cash Funds: Treasury series.

Principal Risks

Credit Risk, Expense Risk, Illiquid Investments Risk, Income Risk, Interest Rate Risk, Investment in Other Investment Companies Risk, Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk, Market Risk, Operational and Technology Risk, Ownership Limitations Risk, Reliance on Advisor Risk, Repurchase Agreements Risk, Risk of Investing in the United States, Selection Risk, Stable Net Asset Value Risk, US Government Obligations Risk, US Treasury Obligations Risk, Variable and Floating Rate Instrument Risk, When-Issued and Delayed Delivery Securities and Forward Commitments Risk

APPENDIX B: PORTFOLIO AND UNDERLYING INVESTMENT RISKS

Each Portfolio has its own principal investment strategy and, as a result, its own risk and performance characteristics. In choosing the appropriate Portfolio(s) for an Account, you and your financial professional will want to consider your investment objectives, risk tolerance, time horizon, and other factors you determine to be important. You should also periodically assess, and, if appropriate, adjust your Portfolios based on such factors.

A Portfolio's risk and potential return are functions of its relative weightings of equity, fixed income, and money market investments. In general, the greater a Portfolio's exposure to equity investments, the higher its risk (especially short-term volatility) and the greater its potential for higher returns over the long-term. The more exposure a Portfolio has to fixed income and money market investments, the lower its risk and its potential long-term returns. There are also variations in risk/return levels within the equity and fixed income categories. For example, international equities typically have higher risk levels than domestic equities.

A selection of a Portfolio emphasizing equities is generally considered appropriate when the investment goal is many years away. As the goal becomes closer, an investor's concern generally shifts from capital growth to capital preservation. In addition, there is no guarantee that the Portfolios' Investment Manager will continue to provide the Underlying Investments for the Brighter Future Advisor Plan or that the Committee or Ascensus will be able to negotiate its continued services in the future.

PRINCIPAL RISK FACTORS OF THE PORTFOLIOS AND THE UNDERLYING INVESTMENTS

As with any investment, your investment, including any investment returns, in the iShares Year-of-Enrollment Portfolios, the iShares Asset Allocation Portfolios, the Custom iShares Portfolios and the FDIC-Insured Portfolio, could lose money or the Portfolios' performance could trail that of other investments. Neither the assets you contribute to an Account nor any investment return earned on your Contributions is guaranteed by any Plan Officials or any other entity, except for the Savings Portfolio, which offers FDIC insurance on a pass-through basis to Account Owners (subject to the limits described in the *PART II – THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIS AND INVESTMENT RISKS - FDIC-INSURED PORTFOLIO*).

The Savings Portfolio is primarily subject to income risk, to the extent that FDIC insurance applies. The following risks list applies to all iShares Portfolios available to investors in the Plan.

Each Portfolio and Underlying Investment has a different level of risk. Accounts are subject to a variety of investment risks that will vary depending upon the selected Portfolio and the Underlying Investments of that Portfolio. Please note that the information provided below is only a summary of the main risks of each Underlying Investment. Each Underlying Investment's current prospectus and statement of additional information contains information not summarized here and identifies additional risks to which the respective Underlying Investment may be subject. Please visit www.iShares.com or call 1-800-474-2737 to obtain copies of each Underlying Investment's current prospectus and statement of additional information. Where a risk is primarily applicable to a particular asset class or exposure within a Portfolio, it is denoted below.

Asset Class Risk Securities and other assets in an applicable underlying index or Underlying Investment's portfolio may underperform in comparison to the general financial markets, a particular financial market or other asset classes.

Authorized Participant Concentration Risk An "Authorized Participant" is a member or participant of a clearing agency registered with the SEC, which has a written agreement with the Fund or one of its service providers that allows the Authorized Participant to place orders for the purchase and redemption of creation units ("Creation Units"). Only an Authorized Participant may engage in creation or redemption transactions directly with the Fund. There are a limited number of institutions that may act as Authorized Participants for the Fund, including on an agency basis on behalf of other market participants. No Authorized Participant is obligated to engage in creation or redemption transactions. To the extent that Authorized Participants exit the business or do not place creation or redemption orders for the Fund and no other Authorized Participant places orders, Fund shares are more likely to trade at a premium or discount to NAV and possibly face trading halts or delisting.

Call Risk During periods of falling interest rates, an issuer of a callable bond held by the Underlying Investment may "call" or repay the security before its stated maturity, and the Underlying Investment may have to reinvest the proceeds in securities with lower yields, which would result in a decline in the Underlying Investment's income, or in securities with greater risks or with other less favorable features.

Commodity Risk The Underlying Investment invests in companies that are susceptible to fluctuations in certain commodity markets and to price changes due to trade relations. Any negative changes in commodity markets that may be due to changes in supply and demand for commodities, market events, regulatory developments or other factors that the Underlying Investment cannot control could have an adverse impact on those companies.

Concentration Risk The Underlying Investments may be susceptible to an increased risk of loss, including losses due to adverse events that affect the Underlying Investments more than the market as a whole, to the extent that the Underlying Investments are concentrated in the securities and/or other assets of a particular issuer or issuers, country, group of countries, region, market, industry, group of industries, sector, market segment or asset class.

Consumer Goods and Services Companies Risk Consumer goods and services companies ("consumer companies") face risks related to changes in consumer preferences and disposable income, commodity prices, government regulation, supply chain disruptions, damage to brand or reputation, economic slowdown and labor shortages, among other things.

Credit Risk Credit risk is the risk that an issuer, guarantor or liquidity provider of a fixed-income security may be unable or unwilling, or may be perceived as unable or unwilling, to make timely principal and/or interest payments or to otherwise honor its obligations. The credit rating assigned to a security or its issuer does not necessarily reflect the issuer's current financial condition or an investment's volatility or liquidity. An actual or perceived decline in an issuer's creditworthiness may result in a decrease in the value and liquidity of its securities as well as greater price volatility, which may make it difficult to sell the securities. The Fund may be adversely affected if an investment that it holds experiences a downgrade or a default.

Currency Risk Because an Underlying Investment's NAV is determined in U.S. dollars, the Underlying Investment's NAV could decline if the currency of a non-U.S. market in which the Underlying Investment invests depreciates against the U.S. dollar or if there are delays or limits on repatriation of such currency. Currency exchange rates can be very volatile and can change quickly and unpredictably. As a result, an Underlying Investment's NAV may change quickly and without warning. In addition, the Underlying Investment may incur costs in connection with conversions between U.S. dollars and foreign currencies.

Custody Risk Less developed securities markets are more likely to experience problems with the clearing and settling of trades, as well as the holding of securities by local banks, agents and depositories.

Dividend-Paying Stock Risk Investing in dividend-paying stocks involves the risk that such stocks may fall out of favor with investors and underperform the broader market. Companies that issue dividend-paying stocks are not required to pay or continue paying dividends on such stocks. It is possible that issuers of the stocks held by the Fund will not declare dividends in the future or will reduce or eliminate the payment of dividends (including reducing or eliminating anticipated accelerations or increases in the payment of dividends) in the future.

Energy Companies Risk Companies in the energy sector may be adversely affected by volatility in energy and commodity prices, lower demand, overproduction, depletion of resources, social and political unrest, war, trade disputes, government regulations and energy transition efforts, among other factors. The energy sector is cyclical and can be significantly impacted by changes in economic conditions. Some energy companies, such as those in the oil and gas sector, face substantial costs related to exploration and production and significant operational risks. Energy companies are at risk of environmental damage claims and other litigation.

Equity Securities Risk Equity securities are subject to changes in value, and their values may be more volatile than those of other asset classes. The value of a security may decline for a number of reasons that may directly relate to the issuer as well as due to general industry or market conditions. Common stock is subordinated to preferred securities and debt in a company's capital structure. Common stock has the lowest priority, and the greatest risk, with respect to dividends and any liquidation payments in the event of an issuer's bankruptcy.

Extension Risk During periods of rising interest rates, certain debt obligations may be paid off substantially more slowly than originally anticipated and the value of those securities may fall sharply, resulting in a decline in the Underlying Investment's income and potentially in the value of the Underlying Investment's investments.

Financial Companies Risk Financial services companies are subject to extensive governmental regulation and intervention, which may adversely affect their profitability, the scope of their activities, the prices they can charge, the amount of capital and liquid assets they must maintain and their size, among other things. Financial services companies also may be significantly affected by, among other things, interest rates, economic conditions, volatility in financial markets, credit rating downgrades, adverse public perception, exposure concentration and counterparty risk.

Healthcare Companies Risk The profitability of healthcare companies may be adversely affected by extensive government regulations, restrictions on government reimbursement for medical expenses, rising costs of medical products and services, pricing pressure, the protection and expiration of patents, limited product lines, supply chain issues, labor shortages and product liability claims, among other factors.

High Portfolio Turnover Risk High portfolio turnover (considered by the Underlying Investment to mean higher than 100% annually) may result in increased transaction costs to the Underlying Investment, including brokerage commissions, dealer markups and other transaction costs on the sale of the securities and on reinvestment in other securities. In addition, the sale of securities by the Fund may result in the realization of taxable capital gains, including short-term capital gains. Higher portfolio turnover may cause the Underlying Investment to incur additional transaction costs, which have the effect of reducing the Underlying Investment's investment return, and may result in different tax consequences for shareholders compared to a fund with lower portfolio turnover.

High Yield Securities Risk Securities that are rated below investment-grade (commonly referred to as "junk bonds," which may include those bonds rated below "BBB-" by Standard & Poor's® Global Ratings Services and Fitch Ratings, Inc. or below "Baa3" by Moody's Investors Service, Inc.), or are unrated, may be deemed speculative, may involve greater levels of risk than higher-rated securities of similar maturity and may be more likely to default. High yield securities are subject to a greater risk of illiquidity, price volatility, and valuation uncertainty. Such investments may be subject to additional risks including subordination to other creditors, no collateral or limited rights in collateral, lack of a regular trading market, prepayment risk, and lack of publicly available information.

Income Risk The Underlying Investment's income may decline if interest rates fall. This decline in income can occur because the Underlying Investment may subsequently invest in lower-yielding bonds as bonds in its portfolio mature, are near maturity or are called, bonds in the applicable underlying index are substituted, or the Underlying Investment otherwise needs to purchase additional bonds. The index provider's substitution of bonds in the Underlying Index may occur, for example, when the time to maturity for the bond no longer matches the Underlying Index's stated maturity guidelines.

Index-Related Risk The index provider may rely on various sources of information to assess the criteria of components of the Underlying Index, including information that may be based on assumptions and estimates. There is no guarantee that an Underlying Investment's results will have a high degree of correlation to those of the applicable underlying index or that the Underlying Investment will achieve its investment objective. Market disruptions and regulatory restrictions could have an adverse effect on an Underlying Investment's ability to adjust its exposure to the required levels in order to track the underlying index. Errors in index data, index computations or the construction of the index in accordance with its methodology may occur from time to time and may not be identified and corrected by the index provider for a period of time or at all, which may have an adverse impact on the Underlying Fund and its shareholders. Unusual market conditions may cause the index provider to postpone a scheduled rebalance, which could cause the underlying index to vary from its normal or expected composition.

Industrial Companies Risk Industrial companies face a number of risks, including supply chain and distribution disruptions, business interruptions, product obsolescence, third-party vendor risks, cyber attacks, trade disputes, product recalls, liability claims, scarcity of materials or parts, excess capacity, changes in consumer preferences, and volatility in commodity prices and currencies. The performance of such companies may also be affected by technological developments, labor relations, legislative and regulatory changes, government spending policies, and changes in domestic and international economies.

Inflation-Indexed Bonds Risk The principal value of an investment in the Fund is not protected or otherwise guaranteed by virtue of the Fund's investments in inflation-indexed bonds.

Interest Rate Risk Interest rate risk refers to the risk of fluctuations in the value of a fixed-income security due to changes in the general level of interest rates. Interest rate changes can be sudden and unpredictable and are influenced by a number of factors, including government policy, monetary policy, inflation expectations, perceptions of risk, and supply and demand for fixed-income securities. An increase in interest rates will generally cause the value of securities held by the Underlying Investment to decline. Securities with longer maturities generally are more sensitive to interest rate changes and subject to greater fluctuations in value. Changes in interest rates may have unpredictable effects on fixed-income markets and result in heightened volatility and lower liquidity for certain instruments, which may adversely affect a Fund's performance. During periods of very low or negative interest rates, a Fund may be unable to maintain positive returns or pay dividends to shareholders.

Issuer Risk An Underlying Investment's performance depends on the performance of individual securities or other assets to which the Underlying Investment has exposure. The value of securities or other assets may decline, or perform differently from the market as a whole, due to changes in the financial condition or credit rating of the issuer or counterparty.

Large-Capitalization Companies Risk Large-capitalization companies may be less able than smaller capitalization companies to adapt to changing market conditions and competitive challenges. Large-capitalization companies may be more mature and subject to more limited growth potential compared with smaller capitalization companies. The performance of large-capitalization companies could trail the overall performance of the broader securities markets.

Large Shareholder and Large-Scale Redemption Risk Certain shareholders of the Underlying Investment, including an Authorized Participant, a third-party investor, the Underlying Investment's adviser or an affiliate, a market maker, or another entity, may from time to time own or manage a substantial amount of Underlying Investment shares, or may hold their investment in the Underlying Investment for a limited period of time. There can be no assurance that any large shareholder or large group of shareholders would not redeem their investment. Redemptions of a large number of Underlying Investment shares could require the Underlying Investment to dispose of assets to meet the redemption requests, which can accelerate the realization of taxable income and/or capital gains and cause the Underlying Investment to make taxable distributions to its shareholders earlier than the Underlying Investment otherwise would have. In addition, under certain circumstances, non-redeeming shareholders may be treated as receiving a disproportionately large taxable distribution during or with respect to such year. In some circumstances, the Underlying Investment may hold a relatively large proportion of its assets in cash in anticipation of large redemptions, diluting its investment returns. These large redemptions may also force the Underlying Investment to sell portfolio securities or other assets when it might not otherwise do so, which may negatively impact the Underlying Investment's NAV, increase the Underlying Investment's brokerage costs, and/or have a material effect on the market price of Underlying Investment shares.

Low Volatility Risk A low volatility strategy may underperform the broader market during periods of strong, rising, or speculative stock prices. In addition, there is a risk that the Underlying Investment may experience more than minimum volatility. Securities in the Underlying Investment's portfolio may be subject to price volatility, and their prices may not be less volatile (and could be more volatile) than the market as a whole, which could adversely affect the Underlying Investment's NAV.

Management Risk Underlying Investments generally do not attempt to take defensive positions under any market conditions, including declining markets. As an Underlying Investment may not fully replicate the applicable underlying index, it is subject to the risk that BFA's investment strategy may not produce the intended results. There is no guarantee that the Underlying Investment's investment results will have a high degree of correlation to those of the Underlying Index or that the Underlying Investment will achieve its investment objective.

Market Risk The Underlying Investment could lose money over short periods due to short-term market movements and over longer periods during more prolonged market downturns. Local, regional or global events such as war, acts of terrorism, the spread of infectious illness or other public health issues, recessions, or other events could have a significant impact on an Underlying Investment and its investments and could result in increased premiums or discounts to the Underlying Investment's NAV.

Market Trading Risk The Underlying Investment faces numerous market trading risks, including the potential lack of an active market for the Underlying Investment's shares, losses from trading in secondary markets, periods of high volatility and disruptions in the creation/redemption process. ANY OF THESE FACTORS, AMONG OTHERS, MAY LEAD TO THE UNDERLYING INVESTMENT'S SHARES TRADING AT A PREMIUM OR DISCOUNT TO NAV.

Mid-Capitalization Companies Risk Compared to large-capitalization companies, mid-capitalization companies may be less stable and more susceptible to adverse developments. The securities of mid-capitalization companies may be more volatile and less liquid than those of large-capitalization companies. As a result, the Underlying Investment's share price may be more volatile than that of a fund with a greater investment in large-capitalization stocks.

National Closed Market Trading Risk To the extent that the underlying securities and/or other assets held by the Underlying Investment trade on foreign exchanges or in foreign markets that may be closed when the securities exchange on which the Underlying Investment's shares trade is open, there are likely to be deviations between the current price of such an underlying security and the last quoted price for the underlying security (i.e., the Underlying Investment's quote from the closed foreign market). The impact of a closed foreign market on the Underlying Investment is likely to be greater where a large portion of the Underlying Investment's holdings trade on a closed foreign market or when a foreign market is closed for unscheduled reasons. These deviations could result in premiums or discounts to the Underlying Investment's NAV that may be greater than those experienced by other ETFs.

Non-Diversification Risk To the extent an Underlying Fund is non-diversified, the Underlying Fund may invest a large percentage of its assets in securities issued by or representing a small number of issuers. As a result, the Underlying Fund's performance may be adversely affected, the Underlying Fund's shares may experience greater price volatility and the Underlying Fund may be more susceptible to the risks associated with these particular issuers or to a single economic, political or regulatory occurrence affecting these issuers.

Non-U.S. Securities Risk Securities issued by non-U.S. issuers (including depositary receipts) are subject to different legal, regulatory, political, economic, and market risks than securities issued by U.S. issuers. These risks include greater market volatility, less market liquidity, higher transaction costs, expropriation, confiscatory taxation, adverse changes in foreign investment or currency control regulations, restrictions on the repatriation of capital, and political instability. Non-U.S. issuers may be subject to different accounting, audit, and financial reporting standards than U.S. issuers, and there may be less publicly available information about non-U.S. issuers. Foreign market trading hours, different clearing and settlement procedures, and holiday schedules may limit the Underlying Investment's ability to engage in portfolio transactions. To the extent that investments are made in a limited number of countries, events in those countries will have a more significant impact on the Underlying Investment.

Operational and Technology Risk The Underlying Investment is directly and indirectly susceptible to operational and technology risks, including those related to human errors, processing errors, communication errors, systems failures, cybersecurity incidents, and the use of artificial intelligence and machine learning ("AI"), which may result in losses for the Underlying Investment and its shareholders or may impair the Underlying Investment's operations. While the Underlying Investment's service providers are required to have appropriate operational, information security, and cybersecurity risk management policies and procedures, their methods of risk management may differ from those of the Underlying Investment. Operational and technology risks for the issuers in which the Underlying Investment invests could also result in material adverse consequences for such issuers and may cause the Underlying Investment's investments in such issuers to lose value.

Prepayment Risk During periods of falling interest rates, issuers of certain debt obligations may repay principal prior to the security's maturity, which may cause the Underlying Investment to have to reinvest in securities with lower yields or higher risk of default, resulting in a decline in the Underlying Investment's income or return potential.

Privately Issued Securities Risk Privately issued securities are securities that have not been registered under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "1933 Act"). Such securities typically are subject to legal restrictions on resale and generally are not traded in established public markets. As a result, privately issued securities may be deemed to be illiquid investments, may be more difficult to value than publicly traded securities, may be subject to wide fluctuations in value, and may have higher transaction costs. There can be no assurance that a trading market will exist at any time for any particular privately issued security. Difficulty in selling such securities at a desirable time or price may result in a loss to the Underlying Investment.

Real Estate Companies Risk The Underlying Investment invests in companies that invest in real estate ("Real Estate Companies"), such as REITs, real estate holding and operating companies and real estate management or development companies, expose investors in the Underlying Investment to the risks of owning real estate directly, as well as to risks that relate specifically to the way in which Real Estate Companies are organized and operated. Real estate is highly sensitive to general and local economic conditions and developments, and characterized by intense competition and periodic overbuilding. Other real estate risks include decreases in property values, tax increases, zoning changes, casualty or condemnation losses, environmental liabilities, regulatory limitations on rent or eviction, and defaults by borrowers or tenants. Real estate companies may be heavily invested in one geographic reason, industry, or property type. They also may be highly leveraged, which can magnify losses, and interest rate increases can make it difficult to obtain financing and service debt.

Reliance on Trading Partners Risk The Underlying Investment invests in countries or regions whose economies are heavily dependent upon trading with key partners. Any reduction in this trading may have an adverse impact on the Underlying Investment’s investments.

Risk of Investing in China Investments in Chinese securities, including certain Hong Kong-listed securities, subject the Underlying Investment to risks specific to China. Investments in certain Hong Kong-listed securities may also subject the Underlying Investment to exposure to Chinese companies. China may be subject to considerable degrees of economic, political and social instability. China is an emerging market and demonstrates significantly higher volatility from time to time in comparison to developed markets.

Over the last few decades, the Chinese government has undertaken reform of economic and market practices and has expanded the sphere of private ownership of property in China. However, Chinese markets generally continue to experience inefficiency, volatility and pricing anomalies resulting from governmental influence, a lack of publicly available information and/or political and social instability. Chinese companies are also subject to the risk that Chinese authorities can intervene in their operations and structure. Internal social unrest or confrontations with other neighboring countries, including military conflicts in response to such events, may also disrupt economic development in China and result in a greater risk of currency fluctuations, currency non-convertibility, interest rate fluctuations and higher rates of inflation. China has experienced security concerns, such as terrorism and strained international relations. Additionally, China is alleged to have participated in state-sponsored cyberattacks against foreign companies and foreign governments. Actual and threatened responses to such activity, including purchasing restrictions, sanctions, tariffs or cyberattacks on the Chinese government or Chinese companies, may impact China’s economy and Chinese issuers of securities in which the Underlying Investment invests. Incidents involving China’s or the region’s security may cause uncertainty in Chinese markets and may adversely affect the Chinese economy and the Underlying Investment’s investments.

Export growth continues to be a major driver of China’s rapid economic growth. Reduction in spending on Chinese products and services, institution of additional tariffs or other trade barriers (including as a result of heightened trade tensions between China and the U.S., or in response to actual or alleged Chinese cyber activity) or a downturn in any of the economies of China’s key trading partners may have an adverse impact on the Chinese economy. The Underlying Index may include companies that are subject to economic or trade restrictions (but not investment restrictions) imposed by the U.S. or other governments due to national security, human rights, or other concerns of such government. So long as these restrictions do not include restrictions on investments, the Underlying Investment is generally expected to invest in such companies, consistent with its objective to track the performance of the Underlying Index.

Chinese companies, including Chinese companies that are listed on U.S. exchanges, are not subject to the same degree of regulatory requirements, accounting standards or auditor oversight as companies in more developed countries, and as a result, information about the Chinese securities in which the Underlying Investment invests may be less reliable or complete. Chinese companies with securities listed on U.S. exchanges may be delisted if they do not meet U.S. accounting standards and auditor oversight requirements, which would significantly decrease the liquidity and value of the securities. There may be significant obstacles to obtaining information necessary for investigations into or litigation against Chinese companies and shareholders may have limited legal remedies. The Underlying Investment is not actively managed and does not select investments based on investor protection considerations.

Risk of Investing in the China Bond Market The Underlying Investment invests directly in the domestic bond market in the People’s Republic of China (“China” or the “PRC”) (the “China Interbank Bond Marekt”) through the Bond Connect trading channel. All bonds traded through Bond Connect are registered in the name of the PRC’s Central Moneymarkets Unit (“CMU”), which holds such bonds as a nominee owner. The precise nature and rights of the Underlying Investment as the beneficial owner of bonds traded in the China Interbank Bond Market through CMU as nominee are relatively new and untested areas of PRC law, and the exact nature of the Underlying Investment's remedies and methods of enforcement of its rights and interests under PRC law are uncertain.

Market volatility and potential lack of liquidity due to low trading volume of certain bonds in the China Interbank Bond Market may result in the prices of certain bonds fluctuating significantly. Also, the systems used to trade through Bond Connect may not function as expected. Trading through Bond Connect is also subject to regulatory risks, including laws and regulations that are subject to change. There can be no assurance that Bond Connect or its features or systems will not be materially altered, suspended, discontinued, or abolished. The Underlying Index may be subject to additional taxation if certain tax exemptions under PRC tax regulations are withdrawn or amended. Any taxes arising from or to the Underlying Index may be directly borne by, or indirectly passed on to, the Underlying Index, which may substantially impact its NAV. Investing through Bond Connect subjects the Underlying Index to currency risk, to the extent that currency rates used for Bond Connect are different than the rates used in the China Interbank Bond Market.

Risk of Investing in Developed Countries The Underlying Investment's investment in developed country issuers may subject the Underlying Investment to regulatory, political, currency, security, economic and other risks associated with developed countries. Developed countries tend to represent a significant portion of the global economy and have generally experienced slower economic growth than some less developed countries. Certain developed countries have experienced security concerns, such as terrorism and strained international relations. Incidents involving a country's or region's security may cause uncertainty in its markets and may adversely affect its economy and the Underlying Investment's investments. In addition, developed countries may be adversely impacted by changes to the economic conditions of certain key trading partners, regulatory burdens, debt burdens and the price or availability of certain commodities.

Risk of Investing in Emerging Markets The Underlying Investment's investments in emerging market issuers may be subject to a greater risk of loss than investments in issuers located or operating in more developed markets. Emerging markets may be more likely to experience inflation, political turmoil and rapid changes in economic conditions than more developed markets. Companies in many emerging markets are not subject to the same degree of regulatory requirements, accounting standards or auditor oversight as companies in more developed countries, and as a result, information about the securities in which the Underlying Investment invests may be less reliable or complete. Emerging markets often have less reliable securities valuations and greater risk associated with custody of securities than developed markets. There may be significant obstacles to obtaining information necessary for investigations into or litigation against companies and shareholders may have limited legal remedies. The Underlying Investment is not actively managed and does not select investments based on investor protection considerations. While the Underlying Investment does not invest directly in Chinese securities, many emerging market companies included n the Underlying Index are exposed to the risks of the Chinese economy.

Risk of Investing in India Investments in Indian issuers involve risks that are specific to India, including legal, regulatory, political, currency and economic risks. Political and legal uncertainty, greater government control over the economy, currency fluctuations or blockage, and the risk of nationalization or expropriation of assets may result in higher potential for losses. The securities markets in India are relatively underdeveloped and may subject the Underlying Investment to higher transaction costs or greater uncertainty than investments in more developed securities markets.

Risk of Investing in Japan Investing in Japanese issuers subjects the Underlying Investment to legal, regulatory, political, economic, currency, geographic, and security risks that are specific to Japan. Japan's economy depends heavily on international trade, oil, and other commodity imports, and government policy supporting its exports. Other risks facing the Japanese economy include significant public debt and deficits, currency fluctuations, and labor shortages due to an aging and declining population. Japan's relations with its neighbors have been strained at times ,which could adversely affect its markets and economy. Japan is also vulnerable to natural disasters.

Risk of Investing in Russia Investing in Russian securities involves significant risks, including legal, regulatory, currency and economic risks that are specific to Russia. In addition, investing in Russian securities involves risks associated with the settlement of portfolio transactions and loss of the Underlying Investment's ownership rights in its portfolio securities as a result of the system of share registration and custody in Russia. A number of jurisdictions, including the U.S., Canada and the European Union (the "EU"), have imposed economic sanctions on certain Russian individuals and Russian corporate entities, and jurisdictions may also institute broader sanctions on Russia. Russia has issued a number of countersanctions, some of which restrict the distribution of profits by limited liability companies (e.g., dividends), and prohibit Russian persons from entering into transaction with designated persons from “unfriendly states” as well as the export of raw materials or other products from Russia to certain sanctioned persons.

Russia launched a large-scale invasion of Ukraine on February 24, 2022. The extend and duration of the military action, resulting sanctions, and resulting future market disruptions, including declines in its stock markets and the value of the ruble against the U.S. dollar, are impossible to predict, but could be significant. Disruptions caused by Russian military action or other actions (including cyberattacks and espionage) or resulting actual and threatened responses to such activity, including purchasing and financing restrictions, boycotts, or changes in consumer or purchaser preferences, sanctions, import and export restrictions, tariffs, or cyberattacks on the Russian government, Russian companies, or Russian individuals, including politicians, may impact Russia’s economy and Russian companies in which the Underlying Investment invests. Actual and threatened responses to Russian military action may also impact the markets for certain Russian commodities, such as oil and natural gas, as well as other sectors of the Russian economy, and are likely to have collateral impacts on such sectors globally. Russian companies may be unable to pay dividends and, if they pay dividends, the Underlying Investment may be unable to receive them. As a result of sanctions, the Underlying Investment is currently restricted from trading in Russian securities, including those in its portfolio, and the Underlying Index has removed Russian securities. It is unknown when, or if, sanctions may be lifted of the Underlying Investment’s ability to trade in Russian securities will resume.

Risk of Investing in Saudi Arabia Investing in Saudi Arabian issuers subjects the Underlying Investment to legal, regulatory, political, currency, security, and economic risks that are specific to Saudi Arabia. The economy of Saudi Arabia is dominated by petroleum exports. A sustained decrease in petroleum prices could have a negative impact on all aspects of the economy. Investments in the securities of Saudi Arabian issuers involve risks not typically associated with investments in securities of issuers in more developed countries, which may negatively affect the value of the Underlying Investment’s investments. Such heightened risks may include, among others, the expropriation and/or nationalization of assets, restrictions on and government intervention in international trade, confiscatory taxation, political instability, including authoritarian and/or military involvement in governmental decision-making, armed conflict, crime, and instability as a result of religious, ethnic, and/or socioeconomic unrest. Instability in the Middle East region could adversely impact the economy of Saudi Arabia, and there is no assurance of political stability in Saudi Arabia.

The ability of foreign investors to invest in the securities of Saudi Arabian companies could be restricted by the Saudi Arabian government at any time, and unforeseen risks could materialize with respect to foreign ownership of such securities. There are a number of ways to conduct transactions in equity securities in the Saudi Arabian market. The Underlying Investment generally expects to transact in a manner so that it is not limited by Saudi Arabian regulations to a single broker. However, there may be a limited number of brokers who can provide services to the Underlying Investment, which may have an adverse impact on the prices, quantity, or timing of Underlying Investment transactions.

Risk of Investing in Taiwan Investments in Taiwanese issuers involve risks that are specific to Taiwan, including legal, regulatory, political, currency, and economic risks. Political and economic developments of Taiwan’s neighbors may have an adverse effect on Taiwan’s economy. Specifically, Taiwan’s geographic proximity and history of political contention with China have resulted in ongoing tensions, which may materially affect the Taiwanese economy and its securities market.

Risk of Investing in the United States Investing in U.S. issuers subjects the Underlying Investment to legal, regulatory, political, currency, security, and economic risks that are specific to the U.S. Certain changes in the U.S. economy, such as when the U.S. economy weakens or when its financial markets decline, may have an adverse effect on the securities to which the Underlying Investments have exposure.

Securities Lending Risk The Underlying Investment may engage in securities lending. Securities lending involves the risk that the Underlying Investment may lose money because the borrower of the loaned securities fails to return the securities in a timely manner or at all. The Underlying Investment could also lose money in the event of a decline in the value of collateral provided for loaned securities or a decline in the value of any investments made with cash collateral. These events could also trigger adverse tax consequences for the Underlying Investment.

Small-Capitalization Companies Risk Compared to mid- and large-capitalization companies, small-capitalization companies may be less stable and more susceptible to adverse developments. In addition, the securities of small-capitalization companies may be more volatile and less liquid than those of mid- and large-capitalization companies. As a result, the Underlying Investment's share price may be more volatile than that of a fund with a greater investment in large- or mid-capitalization stocks.

Technology Companies Risk Technology companies and companies that rely heavily on technological advances may have limited product lines, markets, financial resources, supply chains, and personnel. These companies typically face intense competition, potentially rapid product obsolescence and changes in product cycles and customer preferences. They may face unexpected risks and costs associated with technological developments, such as artificial intelligence and machine learning. Technology companies also depend heavily on intellectual property rights and may be adversely affected by the loss or impairment of those rights. Technology companies may face increased government scrutiny and may be subject to adverse government or legal action.

Tracking Error Risk The Underlying Investments may be subject to tracking error, which is the divergence of the Underlying Investment's performance from that of its index. Tracking error may occur because of differences between the securities and other instruments held in the Underlying Investment's portfolio and those included in the applicable underlying index, pricing differences, transaction costs incurred by the Underlying Investment, the Underlying Investment's holding of uninvested cash, differences in timing of the accrual of or the valuation of dividends or interest, tax gains or losses, the requirements to maintain pass-through tax treatment, portfolio transactions carried out to minimize the distribution of capital gains to shareholders, acceptance of custom baskets, changes to the underlying index or the costs to the Underlying Investment of complying with various new or existing regulatory requirements or limits. This risk may be heightened during times of increased market volatility or other unusual market conditions. An Underlying Investment that tracks an index with exposure to non-U.S. issuers may experience higher tracking error than ETFs that do not track such indexes.

U.S. Agency Mortgage-Backed Securities Risk MBS represent interests in "pools" of mortgages and are subject to interest rate, prepayment, and extension risk. MBS may be issued or guaranteed by the U.S. government or one of its agencies or sponsored entities. Some MBS may not be backed by the full faith and credit of the U.S. government and thus represent greater credit risk. MBS react differently to changes in interest rates than other bonds due to prepayment and extension risks. Small movements in interest rates (both increases and decreases) may quickly and significantly reduce the value of certain MBS. MBS prices may reflect adverse economic and market conditions. MBS are also subject to the risk of default on the underlying mortgage loans, particularly during periods of economic downturn. Default or bankruptcy of a counterparty to a TBA transaction would expose the Underlying Investment to possible losses.

U.S. Treasury Obligations Risk U.S. Treasury obligations may differ from other securities in their interest rates, maturities, times of issuance and other characteristics and may provide relatively lower returns than those of other securities. Changes to the financial condition or credit rating of the U.S. government may cause the value of an Underlying Investment's U.S. Treasury obligations to decline. Direct obligations of the U.S. Treasury have historically involved little risk of loss of principal if held to maturity, but the market value of such securities is not guaranteed and may fluctuate. Although U.S. Treasury obligations are backed by the full faith and credit of the United States, circumstances could arise that could prevent the timely payment of interest or principal.

Valuation Risk The price the Underlying Investment could receive upon the sale of a security or other asset may differ from the Underlying Investment's valuation of the security or other asset and from the value used by the index, particularly for securities or other assets that trade in low volume or volatile markets or that are valued using a fair value methodology. The price received by the Underlying Investment also may differ from the value used by the Underlying Index. In addition, the value of the securities or other assets in the Underlying Investment's portfolio may change on days or during time periods when shareholders will not be able to purchase or sell the Underlying Investment's shares. Authorized Participants who purchase or redeem Underlying Investment shares on days when the Underlying Investment is holding fair-valued securities may receive fewer or more shares, or lower or higher redemption proceeds, than they would have received had the Underlying Investment not fair-valued securities or used a different valuation methodology. The Underlying Investment's ability to value investments may be impacted by technological issues or errors by pricing services or other third-party service providers.

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