ANNUAL SHAREHOLDER REPORT

American Funds® College 2042 Fund

Class 529-E | CAAVX for the year ended October 31, 2025

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This annual shareholder report contains important information about American Funds College 2042 Fund (the "fund") for the period from November 1, 2024 to October 31, 2025. You can find additional information about the fund at capitalgroup.com/mutual-fund-literature-529E. You can also request this information by contacting us at (800) 421-4225.

What were the fund costs for the last year? (based on a hypothetical $10,000 investment)

Share class	Costs of a $10,000 investment	Costs paid as a percentage of a $10,000 investment
Class 529-E	$69	0.63%

Management's discussion of fund performance

The fund's Class 529-E shares gained 20.38% for the year ended October 31, 2025. That result compares with a 21.45% gain for the S&P 500 Index. For information on returns for additional periods, including the fund lifetime, please refer to capitalgroup.com/mutual-fund-returns-529E.

What factors influenced results

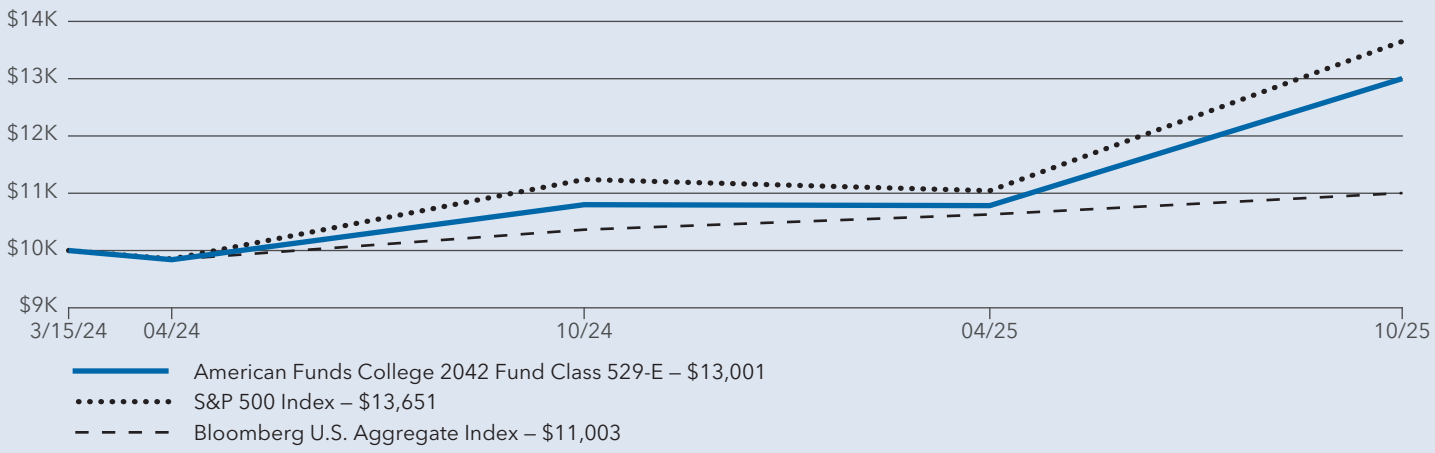
Global equity markets posted robust returns over the fiscal year, buoyed by a weaker dollar and strong earnings in key regions. U.S. equities delivered considerable gains, rebounding from early 2025 volatility and propelling the S&P 500 Index to new all-time highs.

Developed markets in Europe and Japan benefited from accommodative policy shifts and fiscal stimulus measures. Within emerging markets, equities in China, Taiwan and South Korea rallied sharply, more than offsetting the modest decline in India.

Domestic equities fueled much of the fund's returns during the fiscal year, with growth-oriented equities and dividend-paying equities both contributing to overall results. Equities domiciled overseas outpaced U.S. stocks but remained a relatively smaller portion of the portfolio.

How a hypothetical $10,000 investment has grown

Figures assume reinvestment of dividends and capital gains.



Average annual total returns

	1 year	Since inception[1]
American Funds College 2042 Fund – Class 529-E[2]	20.38%	17.47%
S&P 500 Index[3]	21.45%	21.04%
Bloomberg U.S. Aggregate Index[3]	6.16%	6.04%

[1] Class 529-E shares were first offered on March 15, 2024.

[2] Investment results assume all distributions are reinvested and reflect applicable fees and expenses. When applicable, results reflect fee waivers and/or expense reimbursements, without which they would have been lower.

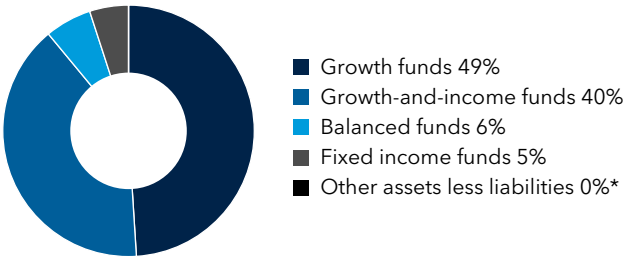
[3] Results assume all distributions are reinvested. Any market index shown is unmanaged, and therefore, has no expenses. Investors cannot invest directly in an index. Source(s): S&P Dow Jones Indices LLC and Bloomberg Index Services Ltd.

The fund's past performance is not a predictor of its future performance. The line chart and table do not reflect the deduction of taxes that a shareholder would pay on fund distributions or redemption of fund shares.

Key fund statistics

Fund net assets (in millions)	$507
Total number of portfolio holdings	17
Total advisory fees paid (in millions)	None
Portfolio turnover rate	6%

Portfolio holdings by fund type (percent of net assets)



*Less than 1%.

Availability of additional information

Additional information about the fund, including its prospectus, financial information, holdings, and proxy voting information is available at **capitalgroup.com/mutual-fund-literature-529E**.

Important information

To reduce fund expenses, only one copy of most shareholder documents will be mailed to shareholders with multiple accounts at the same address (householding). If you would prefer that your documents not be householded, please contact Capital Group at (800) 421-4225, or contact your financial intermediary. Your instructions will typically be effective within 30 days of receipt by Capital Group or your financial intermediary.

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