# **RBC Target 2025 Education Fund**



#### Investment objective

This fund is an asset allocation fund specifically designed to meet the changing needs of investors who are saving money for the purpose of funding a post-secondary education that commences around 2025. The fund gradually shifts its asset mix from an emphasis on equity funds, in its early years, to an emphasis on money market funds as its "target" date (2025) approaches. Over the life of the fund, its portfolio will shift from a focus on funds with growth potential to a focus on funds that will preserve capital.

#### **Fund details**

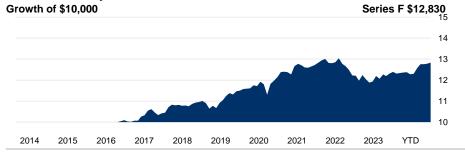
| Series    | Load structure                     | Currency         | Fund<br>code         |  |  |  |  |  |
|-----------|------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| F         | No load                            | CAD              | RBF5731              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Inceptio  | n date                             | July 20          | July 2016            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total fur | nd assets \$MM                     | 1,621.3          | 1,621.3              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Series F  | NAV \$                             | 9.64             | 9.64                 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Series F  | MER %                              | 0.79             |                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income    | distribution                       | Annuall          | у                    |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital   | gains distributio                  | <b>n</b> Annuall | Annually             |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sales st  | atus                               | Open             | Open                 |  |  |  |  |  |
|           |                                    |                  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Minimur   | n investment \$                    | 500              |                      |  |  |  |  |  |
|           | n investment \$<br>uent investment |                  |                      |  |  |  |  |  |
|           | uent investment                    | \$ 25            | Medium               |  |  |  |  |  |
| Subsequ   | uent investment                    | \$ 25<br>Low to  | Medium<br>arget Date |  |  |  |  |  |

#### **Benchmark**

55.00% FTSE Canada 30 Day TBill Index 45.00% FTSE Canada Universe Overall Bond

Index

#### Performance analysis for Series F as of March 31, 2024





| 2014            | 2015            | 2016            | 2017            | 2018            | 2019            | 2020            | 2021            | 2022            | 2023            | YTD             |               |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| _               | _               | _               | 7.2             | -1.2            | 9.8             | 9.0             | 2.1             | -7.5            | 5.8             | 0.6             | Fund          |
| _               | _               | _               | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 1 <sup>st</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | Quartile      |
|                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |                 |               |
| 1 Mth           | 3 Mt            | h 6 N           | ith 1           | Yr              | 3 Yr            | 5 Yr            | 10 Yr           | Since           | e incep.        | Trailing        | return %      |
| 0.4             | 0.6             | 4.5             | 5 4             | .2              | 0.6             | 2.7             | _               | ;               | 3.6             | Fund            |               |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | 4 <sup>th</sup> | 1 3             | grd             | 2 <sup>nd</sup> | 2 <sup>nd</sup> |                 |                 |                 | Quartile        |               |
| 23              | 23              | 23              | . 2             | 23              | 22              | 17              | _               |                 | _               | # of funds      | s in category |

## Portfolio analysis as of March 31, 2024



| Fixed income characteristics     |     | Fixed income breakdown        | %    |
|----------------------------------|-----|-------------------------------|------|
| Yield to maturity (%)            | 4.8 | Government Bonds              | 49.5 |
| Current yield (%)                | 3.6 | Corporate Bonds               | 49.1 |
| Duration (years)                 | 3.5 | Other Bonds                   | 0.0  |
| Average term to maturity (years) | 4.7 | Securitized Debt              | 0.0  |
| Average credit rating            | Α   | ST Investments (Cash & Other) | 1.5  |
|                                  |     | Direct Mortgages              | 0.0  |

## Portfolio analysis continued as of March 31, 2024

| Top 25 holdings %  | Assets |
|--|--------|
| RBC Canadian Short-Term Income Fund - Series O                     | 29.9   |
| RBC Global Bond Fund - Series O                                    | 9.9    |
| Phillips, Hager & North Short Term Bond & Mortgage Fund - Series O | 5.0    |
| Total % of top 25 holdings   | 44.8   |

| Credit rating      | %    |
|--------------------|------|
| Cash / Cash Equiv. | 1.5  |
| AAA                | 20.6 |
| AA                 | 15.4 |
| A                  | 36.1 |
| BBB                | 22.7 |
| Below BBB          | 2.1  |
| Mortgages          | 0.0  |
| Other              | 1.6  |

| Fixed income geographic allocation  | %    |
|-------------------------------------|------|
| Canada                              | 81.8 |
| International (ex-Emerging Markets) | 8.9  |
| United States                       | 6.9  |
| Emerging Markets                    | 2.4  |

| Distributions<br>(\$)/unit* | YTD  | 2023 | 2022 | 2021  | 2020  | 2019  | 2018  | 2017  | 2016  | 2015 | 2014 |
|-----------------------------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|
| Interest                    | _    | 0.29 | 0.07 | 0.06  | 0.10  | 0.05  | 0.02  | 0.01  | 0.01  | _    | _    |
| Canadian dividends          | _    | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.04  | 0.06  | 0.07  | 0.07  | 0.08  | 0.09  | _    | _    |
| Foreign dividends           | _    | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.05  | 0.05  | 0.08  | 0.10  | 0.11  | 0.11  | _    | _    |
| Foreign taxes paid          | _    | 0.00 | 0.00 | -0.01 | -0.01 | -0.01 | -0.01 | -0.02 | -0.02 | _    | _    |
| Capital gains               | _    | _    | 0.25 | 0.32  | 0.24  | 0.08  | 0.33  | 0.27  | 0.14  | _    | _    |
| Return of capital           | _    | 0.00 | _    | _     | _     | _     | _     | _     | _     | _    | _    |
| Total distributions         | 0.00 | 0.32 | 0.39 | 0.47  | 0.45  | 0.27  | 0.51  | 0.45  | 0.33  | _    | _    |

<sup>\*</sup>Income type characterization and foreign taxes paid for the previous year, are reported at or around January month-end. Distributions reported are for the same series as the performance analysis. For distributions on other series please visit rbcgam.com/funds.

## **Manager bios**

## Sarah Riopelle, RBC Global Asset Management Inc.

Sarah Riopelle is Managing Director & Senior Portfolio Manager, Investment Solutions at RBC GAM. Sarah began her investment career in 1996. She is a member of the RBC Investment Strategy Committee and is responsible for the firm's entire suite of RBC Portfolio Solutions. Sarah has a Bachelor of Commerce in Finance and International Management from the University of Ottawa and is a CFA charterholder.

#### **Disclosure**

RBC Funds, RBC Private Pools, RBC Alternative Funds and PH&N Funds are offered by RBC Global Asset Management Inc. (RBC GAM) and distributed through authorized dealers.

Commissions, trailing commissions, management fees and expenses all may be associated with mutual fund investments. Please read the prospectus or Fund Facts document before investing. Except as otherwise noted, the indicated rates of return are the historical annual compounded total returns including changes in unit value and reinvestment of all distributions and do not take into account sales, redemption, distribution or optional charges or income taxes payable by any unitholder that would have reduced returns. The rates of return for periods of less than one year are simple rates of return. Mutual funds are not guaranteed or covered by the Canadian Deposit Insurance Corporation or by any other government deposit insurer. For funds other than money market funds, unit values change frequently. For money market funds, there can be no assurances that the fund will be able to maintain its net asset value per unit at a constant amount or that the full amount of your investment in the fund will be returned to you. Past performance may not be repeated.

The fund profile is provided for informational purposes only. Particular investments and/or trading strategies should be evaluated relative to each individual's investment objectives. The information contained in the fund profile is not, and should not be construed as, investment or tax advice. You should not act or rely on the information contained in the fund profile without seeking the advice of an appropriate professional advisor.

This document has been compiled by RBC GAM from sources believed to be reliable, but no representations or warranty, express or implied, are made by RBC GAM, its affiliates or any other person as to its accuracy, completeness or correctness. All opinions and estimates constitute RBC GAM's judgment as of the date of this document, are subject to change without notice and are provided in good faith but without legal responsibility.

Graphs are only used to illustrate the effects of the compound growth rate and do not reflect future values of any fund or returns on investment of any fund. Growth of \$10K chart shown represents a hypothetical investment of the Fund over the last 10 years, or from the last day of the since inception month for funds with less than 10 years performance history. The chart assumes reinvestment of all distributions and is net of fees.

MER (%) for RBC Funds, PH&N Funds and BlueBay Funds is based on actual expenses for the preceding calendar year or most recent half-year period ended June 30 expressed on an annualized basis, depending on availability of data at the time of publication. Net asset figures include all series of a fund. Fund category is determined by the Canadian Investment Funds Standards Committee (CIFSC).

Quartile rankings and equity style box information are determined by Morningstar Research Inc., an independent research firm. Quartile rankings are comparisons of the performance of a fund to other funds in the applicable Fund category and are subject to change monthly. The quartiles divide the data into four equal segments expressed in terms of rank (1, 2, 3 or 4). The Morningstar Equity Style BoxTM is a nine-square grid that illustrates the investment style of a security. Morningstar information contained herein is proprietary to Morningstar and is not warranted to be accurate, complete or timely. Neither Morningstar nor its content providers are responsible for any damages or losses arising from any use of this information. © 2024 Morningstar Research Inc.

The information reported in Portfolio Analysis is subject to change and is based on data available to RBC GAM as of the date of this report. Portfolio characteristics are gross of fees. Equity and fixed income characteristics for balanced funds/portfolio solutions are reported based on the respective equity or fixed income portion of the portfolio.

Series H and Series I units are not available for purchase by new investors. Existing investors who hold Series H or Series I units can continue to make additional investments into the same series of the funds they hold.

RBC GAM is the asset management division of Royal Bank of Canada (RBC) which includes RBC Global Asset Management Inc., RBC Global Asset Management (U.S.) Inc., RBC Global Asset Management (UK) Limited, and RBC Global Asset Management (Asia) Limited, which are separate, but affiliated subsidiaries of RBC.

®/™ Trademark(s) of Royal Bank of Canada. Used under licence. © RBC Global Asset Management Inc. 2024

