# Large-Cap Core

U.S. Core Equity Strategy – Individual Stocks



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Asset Management

Large-Cap Core is a long-term growth strategy focused on capital appreciation. The strategy leverages a proprietary stock-scoring system to allocate to stocks traditionally known as "blue-chips." Blue chip companies are typically large, nationally recognized, financially sound, and well-established. They tend to meet an economic need, boast a strong competitive advantage, and have a long history of profitability.

## Investment Philosophy

- We believe a thoroughly researched and systematic investment process grounded in common sense will outperform over time.
- Market research, active security selection, and disciplined risk management are key components in our management process.
- Daily monitoring using our security selection model allows us to capitalize on risk/return attribute changes as they occur, adjusting the portfolio accordingly.

## **Investment Process**

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Score & Rank Stocks Assess relative attractiveness of stocks based on quantitative attributes

## Construct Portfolio

Select stocks with the highest ranked risk-adjusted appreciation potential

# Manage Risk

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Monitor positions daily to refresh stocks as risk/return attributes change

# Sample Allocation

### Sample Sector Allocation



Consumer Discretionary

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- Consumer Staples
- Energy
- Financials
- Real Estate
- Health Care
- Materials
- Industrials
- Information Technology
- Communication Services

Utilities

### Sample Holdings

Tic	cker	Name	Sector
AA	\PL	Apple Inc.	Technology
AD	DBE	Adobe Inc.	Technology
Al	G	American International Group, Inc.	Financial Services
AN	МАТ	Applied Materials, Inc.	Technology
AN	MZN	Amazon.com, Inc.	Consumer Cyclical

Sample holdings by weight. The list above is shown for informational purposes only. It can change and is not a recommendation to buy or sell any of these securities or to allocate a portfolio in this manner.

## As of 3/31/25

Primary Objective Long-Term Growth

#### Asset Allocation

100% Individual Stocks Long-Only, Fully Invested Mandate

## Performance

### Strategy Metrics vs. S&P 500 (since 7/1/2019)

	2019*	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	YTD 2025	Since Inception	Growth of \$1,000,000			
										Beta	Correlation	Std Dev
Large-Cap Core	8.7	17.1	23.5	-12.5	27.2	23.0	-2.8	109.0	\$2,090,147	0.95	0.98	16.9%
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S&P 500	10.6	17.8	28.2	-18.5	25.7	24.5	-4.4	103.5	\$2,034,917	1.00	1.00	17.3%
*2040 ( ) : : 7/4/2040												

\*2019 performance beginning 7/1/2019

#### Annualized Return (Net %)

	1-Yr	3-Yr	5-Yr	Since Inception 11/1/2019
Large-Cap Core	7.5	12.0	18.6	13.5
S&P 500	7.8	8.6	18.0	13.0

#### **Strategy Benefits**

Disciplined	Quantitatively researched and rules-based management
Transparent	Separately managed account (SMA) structure provides real-time account access

#### Management

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#### About NorthCoast

NorthCoast Asset Management is an established financial advisor in the field of tactical investment management, specializing in quantitative research and constructing risk-managed equity portfolios. We continually innovate solutions designed to mitigate capital loss during unfavorable market cycles. Our experienced management team, long-term portfolio performance and premier partnerships make NorthCoast a strong option for astute growth-oriented investors seeking downside risk protection.



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Benchmark - The S&P 500 Index is used for comparison purposes as it represents a sample of the 500 leading companies in leading industries of the U.S. economy. It is generally considered a proxy for the total market.