

Colorado's Preschool to Postsecondary Alignment Act, SB08-212 (CAP4K)

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THEMES

THEMES – Question #1

- Communication (10)
- Responsibility (13)
- Critical Thinking/Problem Solving/Creativity (16)
- Basic Life Skills (7)
- Cultural Awareness (7)
- Teamwork (11)

THEMES - Question #1

- Self Advocacy (4)
- Technology (11)
- Mastery of Content (8)
- Desire to Learn (9)
- *Honesty and Integrity
- *Career Expectation

THEMES – Question #2

- Personal Responsibility for Decisions (10)
- Higher Level of Competency (8)
- Technology/Information Literacy (10)
- Time Management (14)
- Work Ethic (14)
- Goal Driven (13)

THEMES – Question #2

- *Basic Skills/Study Skills (11)
- Ability to Fail Successfully (5)
- Emotional Maturity/Good Mental Health (6)
- Financial Literacy (6)
- Self-Expression Skills (2)
- Self-Advocacy (5)

THEMES – Question #2

- Research Skills and Reflection (3)
- Argumentation Skills (2)
- Understanding Ethnic Diversity (7)

THEMES – Question #3

- *High-Tech Skills (7)
- *Diversity of People and Language (10)
- *Government STEM & Research (6)
- Courts slipping through the system on the way to employment
- Unable to accommodate for disabilities (3)
- Disparity of resources (9)
- International benchmark or competitor (2)

THEMES – Question #3

- Parenting Skills (3)
- Religious or Home-school Education (4)
- Responsible Citizenship (5)
- Sustainability (3)
- Education Track (4)
- Military (10)

THEMES – Question #3

- Low pay for entry jobs (2)
- Need for Special Needs Teachers impacted by Military (3)
- Environment and Economy (3)