

What are your views on K-12 school funding? In anticipation of a new funding formula/process, what are your priorities? (75 words or less)

Priorities always need to remain at keeping schools open and teachers teaching. We have 293 School Districts. That is too many and means there are too many superintendents as well. We need to wisely consider the money spent on Education.

What are your views on the state's role with respect to access and affordability of public higher education? (50 words or less)

It is always wise to invest in the Education of our constituents. However, a majority of our students do not stay in Kansas after receiving the benefit of our investments. We need to create a State that incentivises people to not just stay in Kansas, but to come here and become Kansans.

What is your position on individual tax credits and other voucher-like programs for private school tuition (50 words or less)?

I am in faor of a competitive market, even in Education. This ensures that it is the price and quality of education that ALL institutions will aim to serve. The best part is that all the institutions have to be state approved.

What types of economic development policies will you support to encourage job growth and business expansion in Kansas? (50 words or less)

A Flat Tax gives our State the low taxes we need to put money in the hands of Kansans, and the incentive for businesses to open or move to Kansas. We need to support more industries in Kansas to increase job opportunities as well.

Do you support or oppose maintaining the current dedicated sales tax transfer to the state highway fund for the purpose of funding transportation projects, or should transportation be subject to the appropriations process where legislators determine funding levels entirely? Explain. (75 words or less)

I beleive that all matters of the budget should be maintained with the House of Representatives. We all can agree that transportation projects might not be a top priority in the State's budget. All expenditures need to be evaluated fairly.

What is your policy position on the state's role regarding immigration and do you support employment-based immigration reforms to assist with workforce shortages in specified industries such as engineering? (50 words or less)

It is a priority for the government to support and encourage a healthy economy. Workforce shortages need to be met, so companies are not forced to purchase illegal labor. Farming is another industry in Kansas where migrant workers are necessary.

What role should state government have in determining workplace employment practices and benefits offered to employees? (50 words or less)

Governments should ensure that all employees are treated fairly in the workplace and are safe in their workplace. Governments have no right to determine workplace practices or benefits offered to employees. Work contracts are voluntary in the private sector.

What do you believe is the most pressing issue or challenge facing Kansas today and how would you address it? (75 words or less)

Kansans should be concerned about the security of our economic futures. That's why two of my top three policy issues focus on our economy. Low and simple taxes create a boom of economic growth, especially when it is for the middle class. Creating a Silver Dollar in Kansas would guarantee value in our money and safeguard us from national economic failure.

What do you believe most distinguishes you from your opponent(s) in this race (75 words or less)?

Firstly, I believe my age. I am a millennial at 25 years old. I am proud to have been raised in my district and a product of our school system. I also believe it is my ideas that separate me from my opponents. I believe legislators have the same goals, but how we plan to achieve those goals are very different. For more detailed information please visit my page at www.johntaube4kansas.com.