



## 2012 GUIDELINES ON K-12 EDUCATION

### **Background**

The business community recognizes the importance of K-12 education as an essential building block in a strong and vibrant community. Partnerships between business and education are essential to ensuring a quality education for children in Mesa County.

### **The Chamber Supports:**

1. Direct business involvement in education and the active involvement of Chamber members in education.
2. Efforts to address the financial needs of education in Mesa County, and ensure local school districts receive full federal and state funding for mandated programs.
3. Local school district goals aimed at providing students with the knowledge and skills necessary for the future, for the purpose of providing career paths for skilled employees.
4. New and updated facilities to keep pace with growth and advancement.
5. Local control of our school districts.
6. An evaluation system for educators that will advance and reward quality teachers and administrators, thus leading to increased student learning.
7. Efforts to correct the inequities found in the School Finance Act.