

Student-Facing Discussion

Project Theme Expectations

All student projects at App Academy are assigned with the intention that our students will be able to create a portfolio of several projects that will showcase their skillset to potential employers. This document aims to outline the expectations around selecting a project theme as well as the content that will/won't be approved. While the number of features, expected completion of items on score cards, and expectations for passing will change with each project, students should experience the same messaging on several key items. The following message should be read to all students before selecting their project theme and, if needed, in instances where we have to decline their chosen theme.

- Projects should always be professional and work appropriate
 - Professionalism of a project is an expectation that the finished project will demonstrate a student's mastery of content taught in their program that displays a specific professional problem or personal interest while being completely workplace appropriate. This means that the project can be viewed by any person and not deemed as:
 - Federally illegal
 - Promoting hate based on race, religion, disability, sexual preference, political ideology etc.
 - Promoting violent extremism
 - Containing sexually explicit or suggestive content
 - Containing real or simulated violence
 - Advocating unsafe behavior, such as self-harm, substance use/abuse, or eating disorders
 - Promoting cultural icons that are unpopular with a large audience or unpopular historical figures
 - Containing foul language
- Students should always display generic seed data for all projects
- Projects we would like to see *(including but not limited to)*
 - Chat applications
 - Storefront/Shopping sites
 - Data Aggregators
 - Forums

Should a student want to escalate an instance in which their project theme was not approved, the instructor should reach out to Maggie, Mark, Briana, Adrian, or Caleb for further discussion.