

School Website Accessibility Checklist

Review your website for accessibility gaps

Use this checklist to quickly identify common accessibility issues on your school's website. Go through each section and check off items as you review your pages.

1. Images & Media

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- All images have descriptive alt text
- Decorative images use empty alt attributes (alt="")
- Videos include captions or transcripts
- No essential information is conveyed by color alone

2. Text & Readability

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- Text has sufficient contrast against background colors
- Font sizes are readable and resizable without breaking layout
- Headings follow a logical order (H1, H2, H3...)
- Avoid using all-caps for long blocks of text

3. Navigation & Structure

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- Site can be navigated using only a keyboard
- Focus indicators are visible when tabbing through links/buttons
- Consistent navigation menu across all pages
- Skip-to-content link is available

4. Links & Buttons

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- Link text is descriptive (avoid 'click here')
- Buttons and links are large enough to tap on mobile
- Links open in the same window unless clearly indicated otherwise

5. Forms

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- All form fields have visible labels

Error messages are clear and descriptive

Required fields are clearly marked

Forms can be completed using a screen reader

6. Documents & Downloads

PDFs and downloadable files are accessible (tagged, searchable text)

File type and size are noted next to download links

Important documents have an HTML alternative when possible

7. General Testing

Page is tested with a screen reader (e.g., NVDA, VoiceOver)

Site is checked using an accessibility tool (e.g., WAVE, axe)

Mobile responsiveness is verified across devices

Page load speed is reasonable for users with slow connections

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