Edvance360 Accessibility

Intro

Edvance360 is committed to providing a learning environment that is accessible to all. We believe all users should be provided with the tools they need to achieve their goals and strive to ensure that we are providing the best scenario for that to happen.

Accessibility Overview & Features

We provide the following outline to indicate strong areas of accessibility within the Edvance360 system. In addition, any barriers to accessibility are noted per section with options of the best route to overcome them.

- Design Overview
    - Technical: The grid, navigation, semantics, whitespace, contrast, and fonts are properly implemented.
    - Benefits: The overall experience of Edvance360 by all users is simple and enjoyable. Users find their way to content easily and are able to easily understand and consume content.
- Semantic Markup
    - Technical: Pages within Edvance360 use proper Semantic Markup
    - Benefits: Users with screen readers, mobile devices or who otherwise disable style sheets are able to easily read the document and perceive the hierarchy of content elements.
- Keyboard Shortcuts
    - Technical: Semantic Markup and Form Tab Elements are properly ordered.
    - Benefits: Users may use keyboard shortcuts to quickly scroll to/through/back to Page Headers and sections of documents. Care is also taken that tab orders on complex forms are laid out so that the tab key works most efficiently.
- Contrast:
    - Technical: Edvance360 provides dark text on a white background.
    - Benefits: Users with vision problems will find pages very readable with proper contrast for comfortable reading.
- Grids
    - Technical: Edvance360 employs a properly sized grid system for readability.
    - Benefits: Readers will find the widths of text columns to be comfortable to read and easy to find their place on the next line.
- Fonts
    - Technical: Edvance360 employs the following font stack by default: Trebuchet MS, Arial, Sans-Serf at a size of 14px / 10pt. Header: 16pt.
    - Benefits: Users will find the default font size to be comfortable to read.

- o Options: Users may select to increase the default font sizes in their personal settings tab. The personal settings tab may be found easily on the home page navigation upon login.
- Images
  - o Technical: Images include alt tags and long descriptions.
  - o Benefits: Users with screen readers will be able to access the information in the alt tag for a description of the image, and may access the long description for more detailed information. Content creators may add this meta content to images via the image editor in their repository or if providing images inline, they may specify these properties in the property inspector of the rich text editor.
- Videos
  - o Technical: Videos may be enlarged to full screen during playback. Video transcripts may be provided. Keyboard shortcuts allow control of the video player. Transcripts may be provided by the administrator in the video editor for users who may not otherwise be able to view the video.
  - o Benefits: Videos may be enlarged to full screen for the visually impaired. Transcripts may be read by the user's screen reader to provide users with as in depth of a synopsis of the video as the administrator wishes to provide.
- Javascript, Java, Flash, Frames and other Third Party Applications
  - o Technical: Edvance360 uses third party applications as little as possible.
  - o Benefits: Where possible, Edvance360 avoids using applications that require additional applications, javascript or other barriers to accessibility. In some situations this is unavoidable, such as Video Players or Bulk Upload software. Where possible, alternate ways to consume or integrate data is provided for the user in the most simple to use manner.
- Feedback
  - o Technical: Edvance360 provides a feature request mechanism for accepting feedback on any part of the system.
  - o Benefits: Edvance360 has a high reputation for listening and responding to user requests. We welcome feedback about the level of accessibility and welcome the opportunity to continually improve on our accessibility level and options.

Summary

The Edvance360 development and design teams are passionate about usable, accessible design in our software. We hope that users find our software to be an enjoyable way to achieve their instructional and learning goals. We are sure you will find the system to be one of the most intuitive to use and welcome your feedback on how we may improve.