

Accessibility Conformance Report

Voluntary Product Accessibility Template[®] (VPAT[®]) — WCAG Edition

Product	BVT Student Store
Version	As deployed on the review date (continuously updated)
Report date	July 14, 2026
Standard evaluated	Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG) 2.1, Level A and Level AA (Level AAA is out of scope for this report)
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Evaluation methods used

Conformance was assessed through automated accessibility checks (axe-core), manual code and markup review, and a dedicated accessibility-hardening pass that verified data-table semantics, dialog behavior, live-region announcements, and color-contrast ratios. Contrast ratios were computed by compositing each low-opacity light-text token over its actual background and are recorded internally. Manual verification with assistive technology — screen-reader announcement order, keyboard-only walkthroughs, and zoom/reflow to 400% and 320px — has been completed for the product as reviewed. This report reflects the vendor's own evaluation and does not assert an independent third-party audit.

Conformance levels used in this report

Supports: the functionality meets the criterion. **Partially Supports:** some functionality does not fully meet the criterion. **Does Not Support:** the majority of functionality does not meet the criterion. **Not Applicable:** the criterion is not relevant to the product.

Table 1: Success Criteria, Level A

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.1.1 Non-text Content	Supports	Meaningful images carry text alternatives; decorative images and icon glyphs use empty alt / aria-hidden. Product cover art has a meaningful alt on the detail page and is decorative alongside the text title on listing cards.
1.2.1 Audio-only and Video-only (Prerecorded)	Not Applicable	The store presents no pre-recorded audio-only or video-only content.
1.2.2 Captions (Prerecorded)	Not Applicable	The store presents no pre-recorded synchronized media.
1.2.3 Audio Description or Media Alternative (Prerecorded)	Not Applicable	The store presents no pre-recorded synchronized media.
1.3.1 Info and Relationships	Supports	Semantic HTML throughout: header/nav/main/footer landmarks, a non-skipping heading hierarchy, programmatically associated form labels, and data tables with a caption and th scope column/row headers.
1.3.2 Meaningful Sequence	Supports	DOM/reading order follows the visual order; layout relies on semantic source order.
1.3.3 Sensory Characteristics	Supports	Instructions do not rely on shape, size, or location alone.
1.4.1 Use of Color	Supports	Color is not the sole means of conveying information; links and states carry text or underline cues in addition to color.
1.4.2 Audio Control	Not Applicable	No audio plays automatically.

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
2.1.1 Keyboard	Supports	All interactive controls are keyboard operable; the unreachable, inaccessible Breeze menu chain was removed rather than hardened. Verified by manual keyboard-only testing.
2.1.2 No Keyboard Trap	Supports	Dialogs (cookie consent, account-deletion modal, product-info modal) move focus in, restore it on close, and are dismissable with Escape.
2.1.4 Character Key Shortcuts	Not Applicable	No single-character key shortcuts are implemented.
2.2.1 Timing Adjustable	Supports	No time limits are placed on reading content or completing tasks.
2.2.2 Pause, Stop, Hide	Supports	Non-essential motion is disabled under prefers-reduced-motion, and the decorative homepage university-logo marquee additionally exposes a keyboard-operable pause/play control — revealed on hover over the carousel and on keyboard focus — that stops and resumes the animation independently of the motion preference.
2.3.1 Three Flashes or Below Threshold	Supports	No content flashes more than three times per second.
2.4.1 Bypass Blocks	Supports	A skip link to main#main-content is the first focusable element on every page.
2.4.2 Page Titled	Supports	Every page sets a descriptive document title.
2.4.3 Focus Order	Supports	Focus order follows a logical sequence; dialogs move focus in and restore it to the trigger on close. Verified by manual keyboard-only testing.
2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context)	Supports	Link text, with its context, describes its destination; the VPAT download link is identified as a PDF.
2.5.1 Pointer Gestures	Supports	No multipoint or path-based gestures are required; all actions use single-pointer activation.
2.5.2 Pointer Cancellation	Supports	Activation completes on the up-event; there are no down-event actions.
2.5.3 Label in Name	Supports	Visible control labels are contained within their accessible names.
2.5.4 Motion Actuation	Not Applicable	No functionality is operated by device motion.
3.1.1 Language of Page	Supports	The html element declares the page language.
3.2.1 On Focus	Supports	Receiving focus does not trigger a change of context.
3.2.2 On Input	Supports	Changing a field value does not automatically cause a change of context.
3.3.1 Error Identification	Supports	Form errors are identified in text and linked to their field; the input-error component is a role="alert" live region.
3.3.2 Labels or Instructions	Supports	Inputs have programmatically associated labels; hints are linked via aria-describedby.
4.1.1 Parsing	Supports	Markup is well-formed with unique ids and correctly nested elements.
4.1.2 Name, Role, Value	Supports	Custom controls expose appropriate name/role/state (aria-expanded, aria-haspopup, dialog roles, aria-busy on the search combobox). Verified by manual screen-reader testing.

Table 2: Success Criteria, Level AA

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.2.4 Captions (Live)	Not Applicable	No live synchronized media.
1.2.5 Audio Description (Prerecorded)	Not Applicable	No pre-recorded synchronized media.
1.3.4 Orientation	Supports	Content is not locked to a single orientation; the responsive layout adapts to portrait and landscape.
1.3.5 Identify Input Purpose	Supports	Form fields that collect information about the user (name, email, telephone, and billing/shipping address fields across checkout, the account address book, the contact form, and the authentication forms) expose their purpose via the correct autocomplete input-purpose tokens, using billing/shipping section prefixes where two addresses are collected on one page. Fields that are not about the user carry no identity token.
1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum)	Supports	Low-opacity light-text tokens were composited over their actual backgrounds and measured; failing tokens were raised to meet 4.5:1 (normal) / 3:1 (large), with the verified ratios recorded in the accessibility conventions. The homepage hero's brightest gradient stop was verified as carrying no small secondary text, so its computed dip is not realized.
1.4.4 Resize Text	Supports	Text scales to 200% via browser zoom without loss of content or function; relative units are used.
1.4.5 Images of Text	Supports	Text is rendered as real text, not images of text.
1.4.10 Reflow	Supports	Content reflows to a single column at 320px CSS width without two-dimensional scrolling. Verified by manual testing at 400% zoom and a 320px width.
1.4.11 Non-text Contrast	Supports	UI component boundaries and states, and the high-contrast :focus-visible indicator, meet the 3:1 threshold.
1.4.12 Text Spacing	Supports	No loss of content or function when user text-spacing overrides are applied, confirmed by manual testing.
1.4.13 Content on Hover or Focus	Supports	Hover/focus content (menus, popovers, the product-info modal) is dismissable, hoverable, and persistent.
2.4.5 Multiple Ways	Supports	Pages are reachable in multiple ways: the primary and category navigation, site search, and the Site Map.
2.4.6 Headings and Labels	Supports	Headings and labels are descriptive; one h1 per page with a non-skipping hierarchy.
2.4.7 Focus Visible	Supports	A high-contrast :focus-visible outline applies to all keyboard users; focus:outline-none suppressions that defeated it were removed.
3.1.2 Language of Parts	Supports	Store content is in English; no foreign-language passages require a language change.
3.2.3 Consistent Navigation	Supports	The shared header, category navigation, and footer appear consistently across pages.
3.2.4 Consistent Identification	Supports	Components with the same function are labelled consistently.
3.3.3 Error Suggestion	Supports	Validation messages describe the problem and suggest corrections; prior input is preserved for re-entry.

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3.3.4 Error Prevention (Legal, Financial, Data)	Supports	Checkout presents an order review and a confirmation step before a financial transaction is finalized.
4.1.3 Status Messages	Supports	Status messages use live regions: role="status" for success and result counts, role="alert" for errors, and aria-busy while search suggestions load.

To report an accessibility barrier or request information in an alternative format, contact support@bvtpublishing.com. This report describes the BVT Student Store as reviewed on July 14, 2026 and is updated as the store's accessibility is re-verified.