Nearpod Accessibility Conformance Report

WCAG Edition

(Based on VPAT® Version 2.4Rev)

Name of Product/Version: Nearpod (Student Lesson View)

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Product Description: Nearpod is an interactive educational platform that engages students through live presentations, collaborative activities, and real-time assessments.

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Notes: This evaluation only takes into account accessibility features for the student experience within the Nearpod web-based platform. This response does not take into account the content available through the lesson library or students creating their own content.

Evaluation Methods Used: Testing is based on knowledge of general product functionality

Applicable Standards/Guidelines

This report covers the degree of conformance for the following accessibility standard/guidelines:

Standard/Guideline	Included In Report
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.0	Level A (Yes) Level AA (Yes) Level AAA (No)
Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.1	Level A (Yes) Level AA (Yes)

Terms

The terms used in the Conformance Level information are defined as follows:

- **Supports**: The functionality of the product has at least one method that meets the criterion without known defects or meets with equivalent facilitation.
- **Partially Supports**: Some functionality of the product does not meet the criterion.
- **Does Not Support**: The majority of product functionality does not meet the criterion.
- **Not Applicable**: The criterion is not relevant to the product.
- **Not Evaluated**: The product has not been evaluated against the criterion. This can be used only in WCAG 2.0 Level AAA.

WCAG 2.x Report

Note: When reporting on conformance with the WCAG 2.x Success Criteria, they are scoped for full pages, complete processes, and accessibility-supported ways of using technology as documented in the WCAG 2.0 Conformance Requirements.

Table 1: Success Criteria, Level A

Notes:

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.1.1 Non-text Content (Level A)	Does Not Support	Many images conveying important information do not have text alternatives.
1.2.1 Audio-only and Video-only (Prerecorded) (Level A)	Supports	Nearpod allows for pre-recorded Audio-only. Teachers have the ability to add audio to content, and link a transcript file as well.
1.2.2 Captions (Prerecorded) (Level A)	Partially Supports	There are many instances of video within Nearpod. Nearpod created videos support closed captions and any user created content will show captions on videos that already have captions. However, users cannot add captions to user uploaded video within Nearpod.
1.2.3 Audio Description or Media Alternative (Prerecorded) (Level A)	Partially Supports	There are instances where users can include an audio description transcript or link to a video with audio description.
1.3.1 Info and Relationships (Level A)	Does Not Support	Most instances within Nearpod do not support a programmatic hierarchy.
1.3.2 Meaningful Sequence (Level A)	Partially Supports	In most instances Nearpod contains a meaningful sequence, but there are exceptions.
1.3.3 Sensory Characteristics (Level A)	Supports	There are no known instances within Nearpod that rely solely on sensory characteristics of components, however, there are some cases where a teacher could add this into their Nearpod presentation.
1.4.1 Use of Color (Level A)	Supports	There are no known instances within Nearpod that rely solely on color, however, there are some cases where a teacher could add this into their Nearpod presentation.
1.4.2 Audio Control (Level A)	Supports	All features containing audio include controls to mute or adjust volume independent of system audio.
2.1.1 Keyboard (Level A)	Does Not Support	There are many instances where Nearpod is not keyboard accessible and some instances and activities where mouse usage is necessary.
2.1.2 No Keyboard Trap (Level A)	Does Not Support	Keyboard traps present in Student Notes sidebar and bottom carousel navigation
2.1.4 Character Key Shortcuts (Level A 2.1 only)	Supports	No instances were found.

2.2.1 Timing Adjustable (Level A)	Supports	There are options to turn off timers. In games like Time to Climb points are based on timing which makes this a Essential Exception.
2.2.2 Pause, Stop, Hide (Level A)	Does Not Support	There are known instances where animations are on the screen with other content that the student cannot stop.
2.3.1 Three Flashes or Below Threshold (Level A)	Partially Supports	There may be instances of videos or gifs that flash more than 3x's per second.
2.4.1 Bypass Blocks (Level A)	Supports	No instances were found.
2.4.2 Page Titled (Level A)	Supports	All pages have meaningful titles
2.4.3 Focus Order (Level A)	Partially Supports	There are some known instances where the focus order is not properly managed
2.4.4 Link Purpose (In Context) (Level A)	Supports	There are no known instances within Nearpod however, there are some cases where a teacher could add this into their Nearpod presentation.
2.5.1 Pointer Gestures (Level A 2.1 only)	Supports	No instances were found.
2.5.2 Pointer Cancellation (Level A 2.1 only)	Supports	No instances were found.
2.5.3 Label in Name (Level A 2.1 only)	Partially Supports	Most instances of labels, names match visible labels.
2.5.4 Motion Actuation (Level A 2.1 only)	Does Not Support	Nearpods VR Field trips require motion. Currently cannot turn motion off, requires mouse interaction.
3.1.1 Language of Page (Level A)	Supports	No instances were found.
3.2.1 On Focus (Level A)	Supports	No instances were found.
3.2.2 On Input (Level A)	Does Not Support	There are instances where selecting an answer choice will take the user to the next page within our Time to Climb activity.
3.3.1 Error Identification (Level A)	Supports	No instances were found.

3.3.2 Labels or Instructions (Level A)	Does Not Support	There are some instances where labels or instructions are vague and not providing enough instruction on the required user input.
4.1.1 Parsing (Level A)	Does Not Support	There are several instances where the page is not marked up in a meaningful way.
4.1.2 Name, Role, Value (Level A)	Does Not Support	There are several instances where name, role, value are not programmatically set.

Table 2: Success Criteria, Level AA

Notes:

Criteria	Conformance Level	Remarks and Explanations
1.2.4 Captions (Live) (Level AA)	Supports	No instances were found.
1.2.5 Audio Description (Prerecorded) (Level AA)	Does Not Support	In most cases user cannot add multiple videos in a single activity, there are some instances you could create two separate slides to allow for a description slide before the video slide.
1.3.4 Orientation (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	No instances were found.
1.3.5 Identify Input Purpose (Level AA 2.1 only)	Does Not Support	Not all inputs can be programmatically determined.
1.4.3 Contrast (Minimum) (Level AA)	Does Not Support	There are instances where Nearpod does not meet the minimum color contrast requirement.
1.4.4 Resize text (Level AA)	Does Not Support	Nearpod does not allow for this, but the teacher can enable Immersive Reader on some components which allows students to adjust text.
1.4.5 Images of Text (Level AA)	Does Not Support	There are known instances in which content from the Nearpod library contains images of text without alternative text.
1.4.10 Reflow (Level AA 2.1 only)	Partially Supports	There are known activities that do not allow reflow, including Draw It, Drag & Drop, and Math Manipulatives.
1.4.11 Non-text Contrast (Level AA 2.1 only)	Does Not Support	There are instances where Nearpod does not meet the minimum color contrast requirement.
1.4.12 Text Spacing (Level AA 2.1 only)	Does Not Support	Nearpod does not allow for this, but the teacher can enable Immersive Reader on some components which allows students to adjust text.
1.4.13 Content on Hover or Focus (Level AA 2.1 only)	Supports	No instances were found.
2.4.5 Multiple Ways (Level AA)	Supports	No instances were found.
2.4.6 Headings and Labels (Level AA)	Does Not Support	Most instances within Nearpod do not support a programmatic hierarchy.
2.4.7 Focus Visible (Level AA)	Does Not Support	There are instances where Nearpod does not show visual focus.

[3.1.2 Language of Parts](#) (Level AA)	Supports	No instances were found.
[3.2.3 Consistent Navigation](#) (Level AA)	Supports	No instances were found.
[3.2.4 Consistent Identification](#) (Level AA)	Supports	No instances were found.
[3.3.3 Error Suggestion](#) (Level AA)	Supports	No instances were found.
[3.3.4 Error Prevention (Legal, Financial, Data)](#) (Level AA)	Supports	No instances were found.
[4.1.3 Status Messages](#) (Level AA 2.1 only)	Does Not Support	There are some known instances where status messages cannot be programmatically determined.

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