Digital Accessibility Tips & Tools

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Everything we create should be accessible
KEEP
C.A.L.M.
Captioning Supports

• Zoom auto-captions
• Service models (post-prod & live)
• Centralized captioning fund
• Upcoming event? Mention availability!
• [http://assist.vt.edu/captioning](http://assist.vt.edu/captioning)
Accessibility in Canvas: Ally

- Alternative Formats for Students
- Instructor Specific Feedback
- Institutional reporting
- Ally Support
Accessible Communications
Social Media Accessibility

- Why Alt Text for Images
- CamelCase your hashtags
- Use Emoji at end
- Include video captions
- Accessible Social
Accessible Email

Fonts & Colors
To give everyone the same experience, use images for organization and decoration

Alt Text
To help people who can’t see the screen, use captions or prose instead of Alt text

Meaningful Links
To quickly connect people to content, add accessible hyperlink text
Document Accessibility
Sample Best Practices

- List formatting
  - Numbered or bulleted lists

- Proper Headings
- Use Styles

- Accessibility Checker
  - Built into Microsoft Office

- Convert to PDF
  - Never “Print to PDF”
PREP PDF Remediation Platform

- Cloud-based platform for employees
- Simplify & automate remediation
- Sophisticated AI-based auto-tag detection
- Tiered Training & Support
- PREP Software Support
KEEP C.A.L.M.
assist.vt.edu/calm/simplify-slides

PowerPoint Selection Pane
Tools for Success
Read&Write: Text-to-Speech and More!

- Literacy support
- Spelling & grammar support
- Scanning printed text
- Organization & highlighting

Read&Write Software Support
OrbitNote: Interactive PDF Reader

- Translator
- Text & Voice Notes
- Screen Masking
- Digital highlighters
- OrbitNote Software Support
Glean: digitally transform notetaking support!

- Cloud based app designed to chunk and tag audio recordings
- Builds student independence and confidence
- Glean Software Support
Building Community & Expertise

- Free IAAP Memberships
- Spring 2023 AT PDN Listings
- Accessibility Network at VT
- CPACC Program
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