WSAC Accessibility Policy

Overview:
The Washington Student Achievement Council (WSAC) is committed to maximizing access to technology and to information for all users. This commitment aligns with the state and federal requirements to "provide reasonable accommodation to employees and provide persons with disabilities an equal opportunity to participate in, and enjoy the benefits of services, programs, or activities conducted by the State" (Washington State Policy #188).

Definitions:
- Accessible: Informational technology that meets Washington State policy #188.10 standards.
- Informational Technology: Electronic material (e.g. websites, pdfs) that convey information and the means by which that information is conveyed (e.g. hardware, software).

Procedures:
WSAC's communications division, in coordination with the accessibility coordinator, is responsible for the maintenance and delivery of the accessibility protocols for WSAC staff.

New technologies will be assessed for meeting the minimum levels of compliance (standard 188.10). Employed technologies that do not meet the current level of compliance will cue a review of similar, alternative technologies that will better meet our compliance goals. If no better alternative is identified, WSAC will pursue a waiver and provide equivalent access and functionality to individuals with disabilities as requested.

WSAC's informational technology accessibility coordinator will perform cyclical reviews of the agency's technologies, the agency's accessibility plan, agency protocols, and adherence to the 188.10 compliance standard. As appropriate, the coordinator will also provide resources and training to staff on best practices related to accessible technologies and information.

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