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# Visual Identity Guidelines

# An Overview

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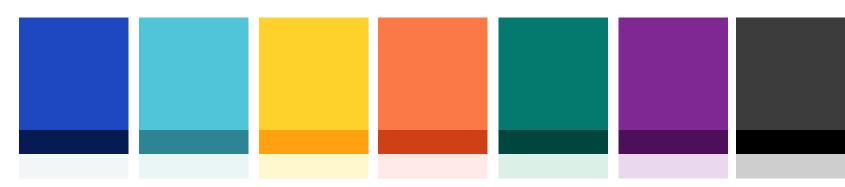
















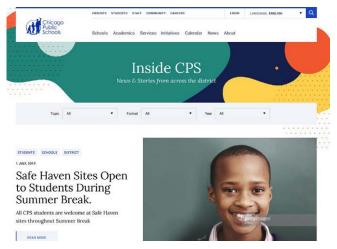


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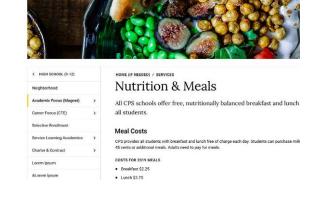














# Brand Colors

### **Brand Colors**

The palette you see here represents the full suite of brand colors. There are a wide variety of colors to fit any use and help colorfully represent Chicago Public School's commitment to providing the best to every child, in every neighborhood.

The bright colors in the middle are the main brand colors where the colors on the left provide a secondary more muted or darker color option and the colors on the right are lighter and help soften. Please refrain from using colors that are not included in this palette.

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# Typo-graphy

### Typography

We have chosen two new brand fonts Lora and Roboto. The main brand fonts work well together and should be used whenever available. You will see them featured on the website and should be applied to all professionally produced marketing and sales materials.

Lora is a serif font best suited to larger headlines and intro paragraphs. While Roboto is friendly and straightforward and should be used for smaller headlines, body copy, and links. LORA (Larger Headlines and Intro Paragraphs)

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ROBOTO (Smaller Headlines, Body Copy and Links)

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## Type Hierarchy

Our typefaces are used for a variety of content. Careful and consistent use of type weights helps to organize our content so we communicate clearly and with purpose.

#### Some general guidelines:

- Lora in sentence case should be used for larger headlines and the paragraph intro style.
- Roboto appears in all caps as the eyebrow
  to help set the context. Roboto in sentence
  case is also used for the headline and body
  styles in differing weights and sizes.
   Headlines should use bold and body styles
  do not.

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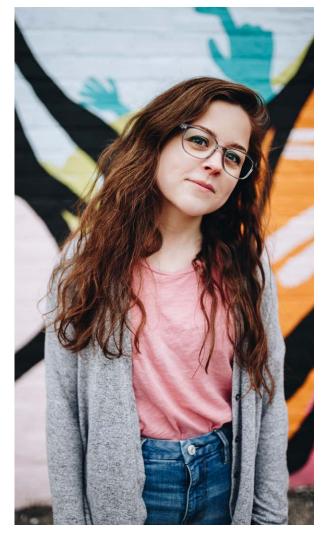
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# Photography

## Photography

In keeping with our overall rebrand we would like our photography to feel energized and fresh. We recommend using photography that is colorful and captures students and scenes reminiscent of school. We want all imagery to appear brightly lit and not overly posed. It is important to feature students of different ages and backgrounds.



















# Illustration Style

### Illustration

Beyond photography, illustrations are another brand element that adds further depth and interest. We've included two specific illustration styles that work together to create a unified look.

First, you will see we've used abstract shapes with pops of color, layering, circles of varying sizes, and opacities. These patterns appear alongside stylized illustrations of people and scenes that depict our parents, students, staff, and communities without including too much detail in their expressions. The secondary illustration style includes the use of heavy shadows and swaths of bold color.



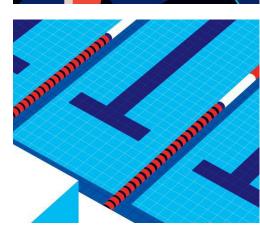












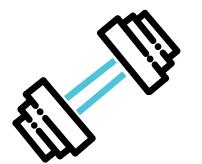


# Icons Style

### **Icons**

We've developed a set of icons that serve as a simple, effective way to communicate an idea. The icons shown here are easily identifiable objects that use a black stroke with minimal detail and a pop of the CPS blue to make them stand out. When creating new icons consider if one of the existing icons could be used to help keep the system from getting too complicated.



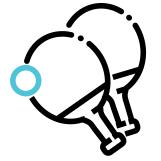
















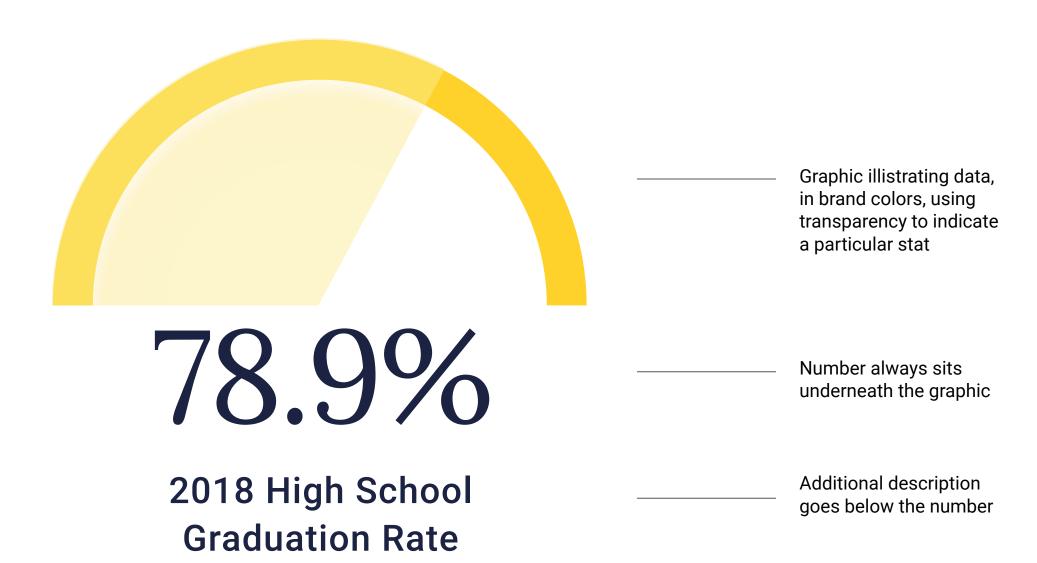


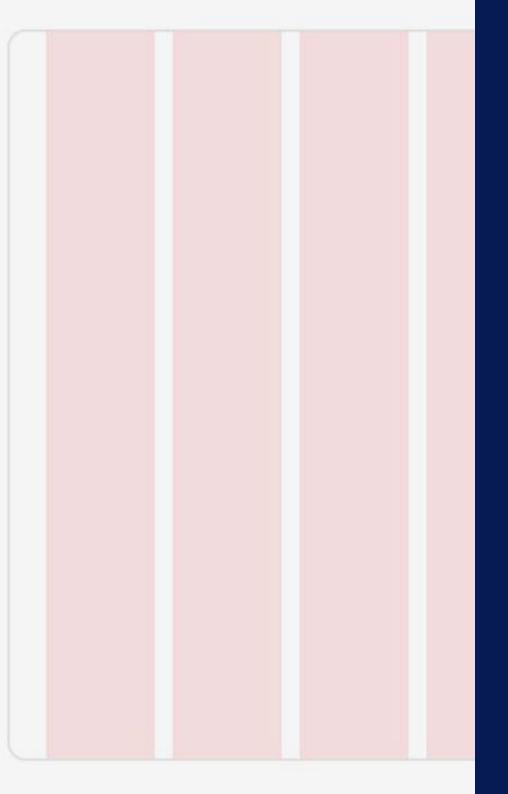
# Stats Graph Style

### Stats Graphs

Chicago Public School students are achieving at record levels and stats highlighting key information can be used across the site to better call attention to some of these accomplishments.

To create a stat lockup the number should be featured predominantly in the middle with a visual representation of the percentage in an arc behind it. Below the number sits a quick description of what the stat is depicting, be sure to keep the text as short as possible. The goal of a stat is to call out an important fact or number that you want the audience to remember and stand out to emphasize a point.

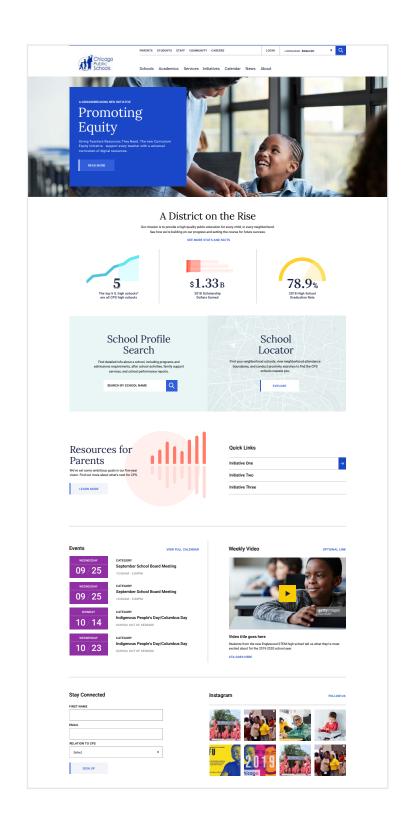




# Site Layouts

# Home and Featured Content Landing Page

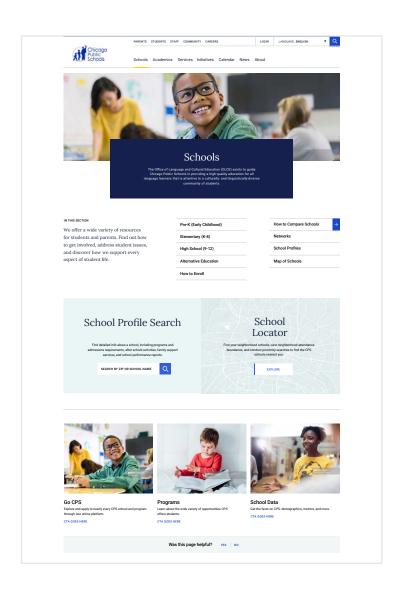
The homepage and featured content landing pages have been designed to draw the user in and encourage exploration and further engagement with the site. They feature a header image that spans the full width of the page along with an inset with a strong introduction statement. The Landing pages are easily scannable with lots of visual representation of information and are not overly text-heavy.

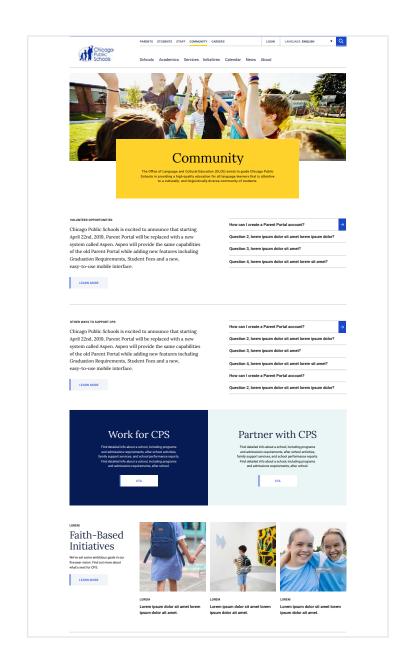




## Landing Pages

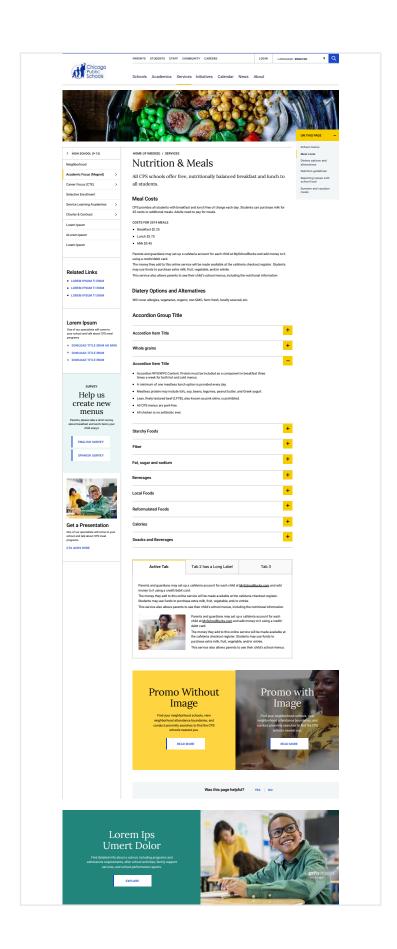
Landing pages are one page level down from the home and featured content pages. Each landing page features a padded header image and centered text box overlay. Below the header, you will find navigation to relevant content followed by more modules with additional content.

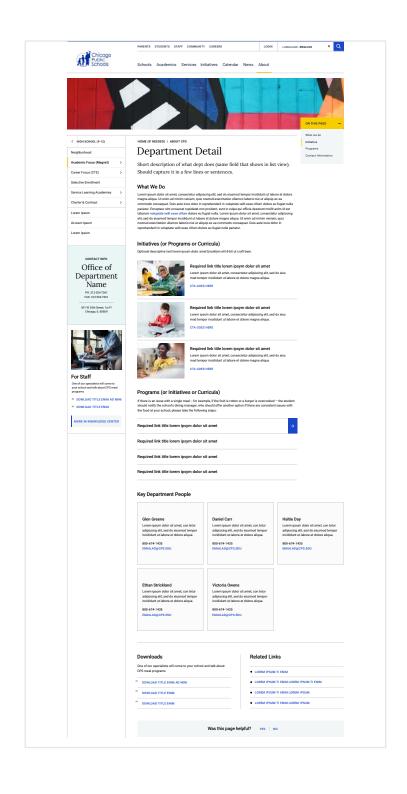




# Detail Pages with Side Nav

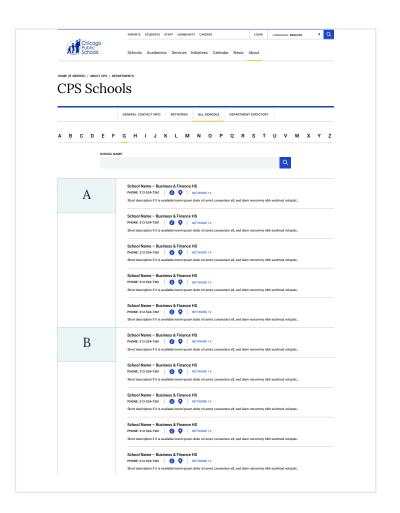
The detail pages on the site feature a side navigation panel to more easily find what you are looking for without having to read through all of the content on each page. The side nav is clickable which will bring you to a new page with additional links to click on from there. The navigation was designed to enhance the user experience in that parents, students, and staff will be able to easily find information related to what they are looking for.

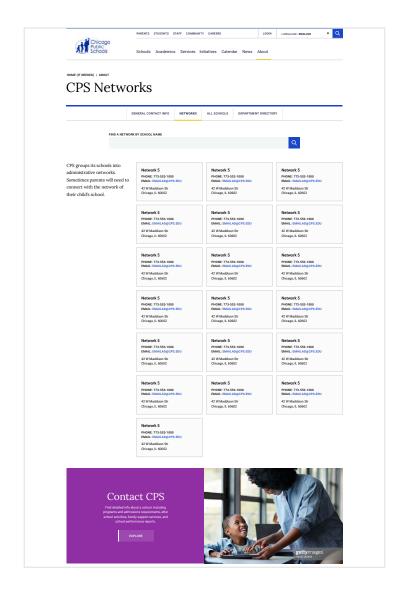




## Listing Pages

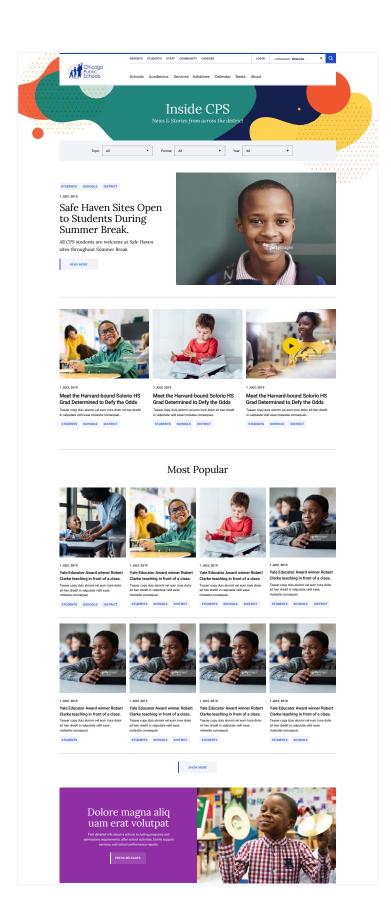
Listing pages serve as a directory of important information. Examples of listing pages found on this site include CPS Schools and Networks or contact information for teachers. These pages are organized in alphabetical order and you can also use the search bar and navigation at the top of the page to more easily find what you are looking for.

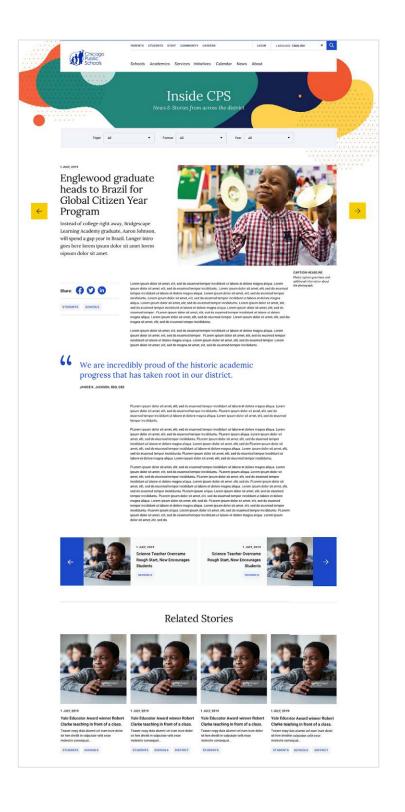




## Blog Pages

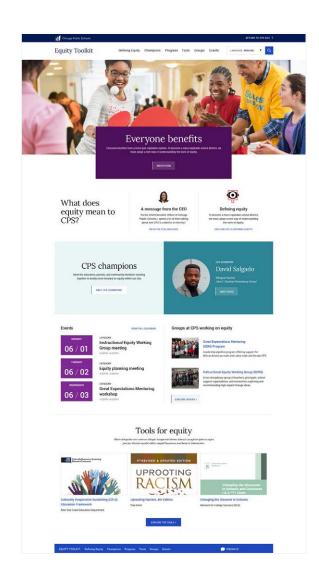
There are two levels of blog pages featured on the site, first the blog landing page which can be used to highlight key articles, and then the article page itself which can be used to publish new blog content. The blog requires a featured image for each article, which appears at the top of the post and will then be used as the thumbnail on the blog landing page. The article template includes a headline, intro text, social sharing, a space to include a key quote or line from the blog post, and ample room for text.





### Microsites

Microsites are great for targeted campaigns, brand awareness, and lead generation. They can serve as a destination for users to learn about a specific topic or event and are customizable based on their purpose. The microsite examples included here feature different ways to use existing modules that when combined are easily digestible and on-brand.







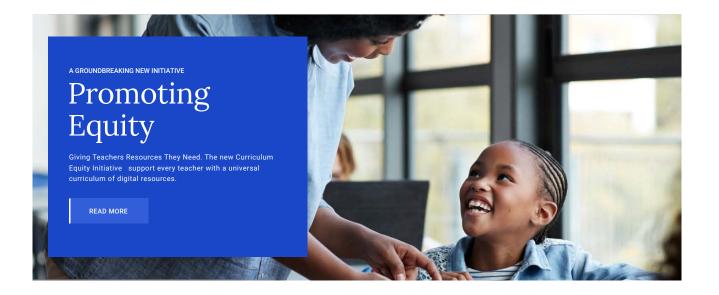
# Module Styles

**MODULES** 

### Banners

Throughout the site, you will find three styles of banners. The largest and most prominent is the home and microsite banner which features a header image that spans the full width of the page and includes a left-aligned color block for additional text and a link. The Landing page banners feature a padded image with a centered content block that overlaps the image. Subsequent detail pages have the smallest banner size and will not fit any text.

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LANDING PAGES



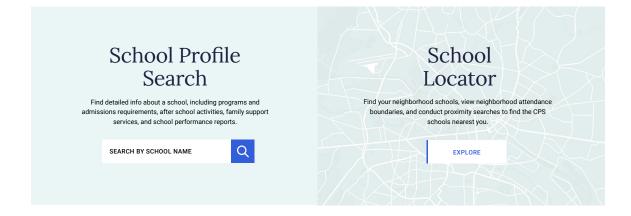
**DETAIL PAGES** 

#### **MODULES**

## 1/2

Thinking of modules like building blocks to create pages, the 1/2 modules divide the site content into two columns. This style of module is large enough to accommodate intro and body text along with a link for a call to action. You can also use a 1/2 size module to feature a larger image or use a gradient in the background to add texture.

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#### **MODULES**

1/3

Further dividing the page is the 1/3 module which splits the site in three columns. These modules are slightly smaller than the 1/2 blocks, so keep that in mind when determining which to use to best suit your content. The 1/3 module is best suited for use with a larger image and descriptive text below such as on the blog page. You can also use this type of module for content and a link but be sure that your content is not too text-heavy.

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#### 2020 LSC Elections

Consider running for your local school council and help lead your community.

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#### Programs

Learn about the wide variety of opportunities CPS offers students.

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School Data

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# Interactions

### Interactions

Interactions are the different ways that content is dynamically displayed and clickable throughout the site. We have established a consistent design system for links, accordions, and tabs.

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Tabs

ACTIVE TAB	TAB 2 HAS A LONG LABEL	IAB 3	
Parents and guardians may set up a cafeteria account for each child at <a href="MySchoolBucks.com">MySchoolBucks.com</a> and add money to it using a credit/debit card.  The money they add to this online service will be made available at the cafeteria checkout register.			
	ase extra milk, fruit, vegetable, and/or o see their child's school menus, inclu		
The second secon	Parents and guardians may set up child at MySchoolBucks.com and debit card.		
	The money they add to this online service will be made available at the cafeteria checkout register. Students may use funds to purchase extra milk, fruit, vegetable, and/or entrée.		
	This service also allows parents to	o see their child's school menus.	

A minimum of one meatless lunch option is provided every day.

All CPS menus are pork-free.All chicken is no antibiotic ever.

Lean, finely textured beef (LFTB), also known as pink slime, is prohibited.

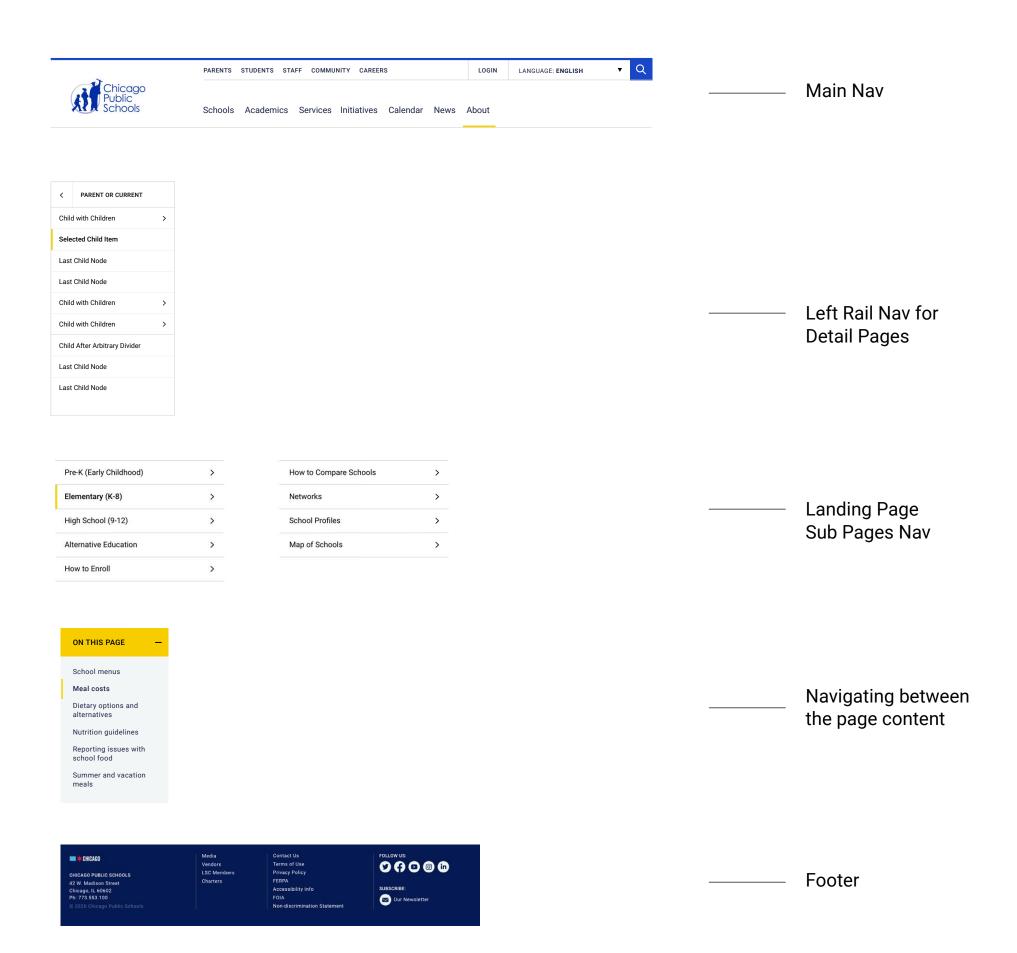
Meatless protein may include tofu, soy, beans, legumes, peanut butter, and Greek yogurt.

# Navigations

### Navigations

Navigations are the different menus that appear on the site that allows users to find what they are looking for and navigate around the site. The main navigation appears at the top of the site and the footer appears at the bottom.

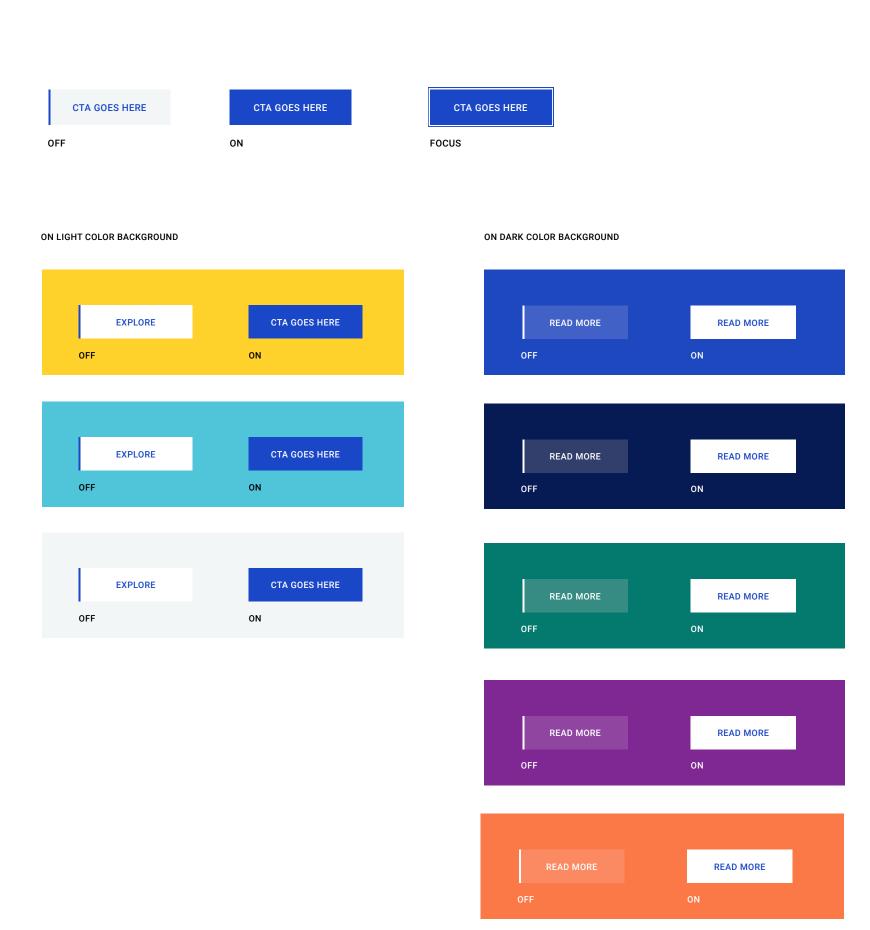
We've established three additional styles for navigation including the left rail nav which appears on the left-hand side of the page and allows the user to locate detail pages. The landing page sub pages nav also appears on the left-hand side but can span over two columns. Finally, the third style helps to navigate between the page content.



# Action Items

### Buttons

A button is a small outlined area in a dialog box that you can click to select an option or command. These appear on the site and use a consistent style across the three button types.



### Links

Blue text is typically used in links are to signify that they are clickable. We have identified several ways to treat links depending on the importance or where they fall in the type hierarchy.

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ALL-CAP NAV LINK ALL-CAP NAV LINK OVER ALL-CAP NAV LINK FOCUS/CLICK

A link within text. A link within text that is rolled over. A link within text that is has focus/is clicked.

Science Teacher Science Teacher

Overcame Rough Start

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