SBYEC-Website Upgrade

Project Requirements and Specifications

Silver Buckle Youth Equestrian Center



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I. Introduction

Silver Buckle Youth Equestrian Center (SBYEC) is a nonprofit that offers riding lessons, youth programs, and community events. The website is the primary means by which families stay informed about what's happening at the ranch. A student team modernized the WordPress site last year, but some key features were left unfinished, and staff still find updates hard to manage on their own.

Our project aims to enhance the site's functionality, ease of use, and sustainability. We'll improve the event calendar, link event pages to Zeffy for ticket purchases, expand lesson and sponsor pages, embed SBYEC's social feed, and simplify day-to-day content updates for non-technical staff. We'll also strengthen security and accessibility with HTTPS and WCAG compliance. By the semester's end, we aim to deliver a well-structured, maintainable site that empowers staff and provides visitors with clear, engaging, and accessible information.

II. System Requirements Specification

This section outlines the key functional and non-functional requirements, use cases, user stories, and traceability matrix for the Silver Buckle Youth Equestrian Center (SBYEC) Website Enhancement Project. It provides a comprehensive overview of the system's goals, behavior, and user interactions.

II.1. Functional Requirements

Each functional requirement is listed below, accompanied by a detailed description, source, and priority level.

II.1.1 Event Management

Functional Requirement	[FR-1] Calendar Display
Description	The system must provide a readable
	calendar that allows staff to add and
	update events.
Source	Client request
Priority	Level 0 (Essential)

Functional Requirement	[FR-2] Event Details
Description	The system must allow each event to link
	to a dedicated detail page.
Source	Client request
Priority	Level 0 (Essential)

Functional Requirement	[FR-3] Ticket Purchase
Description	The system must include secure ticket
	purchase links via Zeffy (or other
	approved payment methods).

Source	Client request
Priority	Level 0 (Essential)

II.1.2 Content and Social Media Management

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Functional Requirement	[FR-4] Facebook Feed Integration
Description	The system must embed SBYEC's
	Facebook feed on the homepage.
Source	Sponsor request
Priority	Level 1 (Desirable)

Functional Requirement	[FR-5] Lesson Pages
Description	The system must enable structured subpages for different lesson types (Rising Stars, Private Lessons, Group Lessons).
Source	Sponsor request
Priority	Level 0 (Essential)

Functional Requirement	[FR-6] Staff Updates
Description	Admins must be able to easily update the
	About/Team and Sponsor/Partner pages.
Source	Client request
Priority	Level 0 (Essential)

II.1.3 User Interaction

Functional Requirement	[FR-7] Contact Forms
Description	Customers must be able to submit
	inquiries via contact forms; submissions
	are delivered to SBYEC's email.
Source	Client request
Priority	Level 0 (Essential)

Functional Requirement	[FR-8] Newsletter Signup
Description	Customers must be able to sign up for a newsletter and receive a confirmation.
Source	Client request
Priority	Level 1 (Desirable)

Functional Requirement	[FR-9] WordPress Management
Description	Admins must be able to log in to
	WordPress and update website content.
Source	Client request
Priority	Level 0 (Essential)

Functional Requirement	[FR-10] Al Chatbot
Description	Customers must be able to ask common questions on the website and receive predefined responses.
Source	Team suggestion / Client interest
Priority	Level 1 (Desirable)

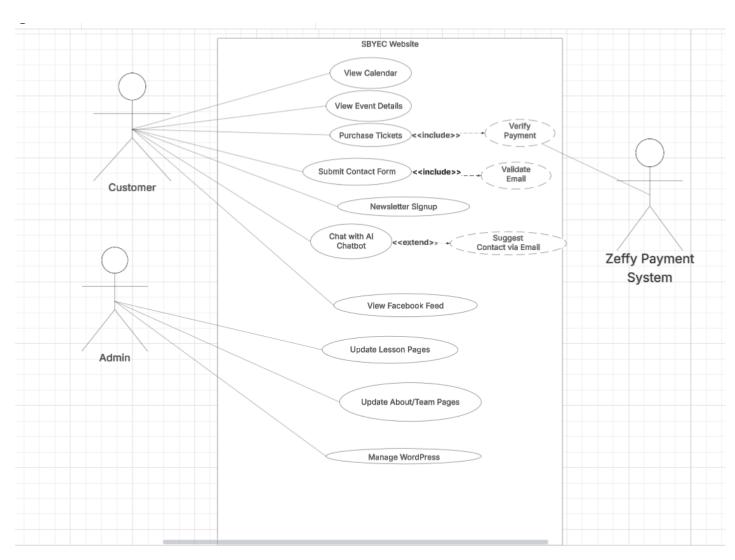
II.2. Non-Functional Requirements

The non-functional requirements outline the system's operational qualities, such as performance, accessibility, and security, to ensure it meets quality standards beyond core functionality.

Non-Functional Requirement	Description
[NFR-1] Performance	The website shall load the homepage
	within 3 seconds under normal broadband conditions.
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[NFR-2] Availability	The website shall maintain at least 99%
	uptime during the project semester.
[NFR-3] Responsiveness	The website shall display correctly on
	desktop, tablet, and mobile devices.
[NFR-4] Chatbot Accuracy	The AI chatbot shall answer 90% of basic
	user questions with correct predefined
	responses.
[NFR-5] Usability	Staff with minimal training shall be able to
,	update pages via WordPress.
[NFR-6] Security	All forms and admin logins shall use
	HTTPS encryption.
[NFR-7] Accessibility	The website shall follow WCAG 2.2 AA
	accessibility guidelines.

II.3. Use Cases

The use cases describe common scenarios of user interactions with the system, explaining how functional requirements are applied in specific situations.



Use Case	View Calendar Events	
Actors	Customer	
Pre-condition	User is on the homepage.	
Post-condition	The monthly calendar is displayed (or	
	shows 'No events scheduled this month').	
Main Flow	- Click on 'Calendar'	
	- System shows a monthly view with	
	scheduled events	
Alternative Flow	- No events for month -> Show message	
	'No events scheduled this month'	
Related Requirements	FR-1, FR-2	

Use Case	Purchase Event Tickets	
Actors	Customer	
Pre-condition	User is viewing an event detail page.	
Post-condition	The ticket purchase is confirmed, and an	
	acknowledgment is displayed.	

Main Flow	- Click 'Buy Tickets'
	- Redirect to Zeffy for secure payment
	- System shows confirmation
Alternative Flow	- Payment fails -> Show error 'Payment
	could not be processed, please try again'
Related Requirements	FR-3

Use Case	Update Website Content	
Actors	Staff (Admin)	
Pre-condition	Admin is logged into WordPress.	
Post-condition	Updated content appears on the live	
	website.	
Main Flow	- Open About/Team page	
	- Edit content	
	- Click 'Save'	
Alternative Flow	- Required fields blank -> Show 'Please	
	complete all required fields'	
Related Requirements	FR-6, FR-9	

Use Case	View Facebook Feed
Actors	Customer
Pre-condition	User is on the homepage.
Post-condition	Latest Facebook posts are displayed on the homepage feed.
Main Flow	- Homepage loads embedded Facebook feed
Alternative Flow	 No recent posts -> Show message 'No recent updates available'
Related Requirements	FR-4

Use Case	Newsletter Signup	
Actors	Customer	
Pre-condition	User is on the homepage.	
Post-condition	Subscription confirmation is displayed	
	(and an email is sent if configured).	
Main Flow	- Enter a valid email	
	- Click 'Subscribe'	
	- System confirms 'Subscription	
	successful'	
Alternative Flow	- Invalid email -> Show 'Please enter a	
	valid email address'	
Related Requirements	FR-8	

Use Case	Submit Contact Form
Actors	Customer
Pre-condition	User is on the Contact Us page.

Post-condition	Inquiry is delivered to SBYEC's email;	
	confirmation message displayed.	
Main Flow	- Enter name, email, message	
	- Click 'Submit'	
	- System confirms submission	
Alternative Flow	- Email missing -> Show 'Email is	
	required'	
Related Requirements	FR-7	

Use Case	Chat with AI Chatbot
Actors	Customer
Pre-condition	User is on the homepage.
Post-condition	User receives an answer or instruction to
	contact via email.
Main Flow	- Type a fundamental question
	- Chatbot responds with a stored answer
Alternative Flow	- Question not in knowledge base -> 'I'm
	not sure, please contact us by email'
Related Requirements	FR-10

II.4. User Stories

- User Story US1: View Calendar

As a customer, I want to view a calendar of events so that I can see upcoming activities at SBYEC.

Feature: Calendar

Scenario: Customer views the monthly calendar

Given the customer is on the homepage

When they click on 'Calendar'

Then the monthly calendar view should be displayed

- User Story US2: Purchase Tickets

As a customer, I want to buy tickets through a secure link so that I can register for events conveniently.

Feature: Ticket Purchase

Scenario: Successful ticket purchase

Given the customer is on an event detail page

When they click 'Buy Tickets' and complete payment

Then a purchase confirmation should be displayed

- User Story US3: Update Content

As an admin, I want to update the About/Team page so that the site shows the correct staff team.

Feature: Content Update

Scenario: Admin updates About page

Given the admin is logged in

When they edit the About page and click 'Save'

Then the updated information should appear on the live website

- User Story US4: Contact Form Submission

As a customer, I want to submit an inquiry through a contact form so that I can ask questions without having to call.

Feature: Contact Form

Scenario: Valid form submission

Given the customer is on the Contact Us page

When they enter a valid name, email, and message and click 'Submit'

Then they should see a confirmation message and the inquiry should be delivered to SBYEC's email

II.5. Traceability Matrix

The table below maps functional requirements to their respective use cases and user stories.

Functional Requirement	Use Case	User Story	Priority
FR-1 Calendar	UC: View Calendar	US1: View	Level 0
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Display	Events	Calendar	
FR-2 Event Details	UC: View Calendar	US1: View	Level 0
	Events	Calendar	
FR-3 Ticket	UC: Purchase	US2: Purchase	Level 0
Purchase	Event Tickets	Tickets	
FR-4 Facebook	UC: View	_	Level 1
Feed Integration	Facebook Feed		
FR-5 Lesson	_	_	Level 0
Pages			
FR-6 Staff Updates	UC: Update	US3: Update	Level 0
	Website Content	Content	
FR-7 Contact	UC: Submit	US4: Contact Form	Level 0
Forms	Contact Form	Submission	

FR-8 Newsletter	UC: Newsletter	_	Level 1
Signup	Signup		
FR-9 WordPress	UC: Update	US3: Update	Level 0
Management	Website Content	Content	
FR-10 Al Chatbot	UC: Chat with AI	_	Level 1
	Chatbot		

III. System Evolution

- Assumptions: Site remains on WordPress; content editors are non-technical; donations/ticketing routed to third-party (e.g., Zeffy/Zelle/Venmo).
- Anticipated Changes:
 - 1. Plugin policy/price updates may affect features or embedding;
 - 2. Third-party availability (Zeffy/Facebook) may change link flows or widgets;
 - 3. Staff turnover could require lighter training materials and role-based access.
- Risks / Change Points: If selected plugins become unsupported or incompatible after a WP core update, we must either (a) pin versions and test before upgrading, or (b) swap plugins and re-map content within 1–2 sprints

IV. Glossary

- WordPress: A CMS used to manage and publish website content.
- The Events Calendar: A WordPress plugin family for calendars and event detail pages.
- Zeffy: A zero-fee fundraising/ticketing platform commonly used by nonprofits.
- WCAG 2.2 AA: Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (level AA) for accessible design.
- Uptime: Percentage of time a site is operational and reachable over a period.
- Predefined Responses (Chatbot): A small, curated FAQ set used to auto-answer common questions without collecting user data.

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