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A) http://sirwinston.dsbn.org (my high school website)

B) The layout of the website is not horrible but the placement of all the images and content need a lot of adjustment. I have gone about moving all the tabs/page options to the side bar allowing for a clean look when the sidebar is closed and then when it is chosen it reveals all the options. I have also moved the staff login and search options from the header and placed them in the sidebar allowing for a clean header. I have also change the home page by having the recent (content tab) open for quick visibility yet keeping the website clean. The news tab is closed as default so the website stays clean and after clicking drops down all the info in the news section. The side contact on the original website (the picture options, ex: e-learning, etc) have been placed in the content section of the home page allowing for the website to stay clean but yet remains on the homepage for quick access. At the bottom of the page is where all the options and info is placed for quick access when needed but not visible when you first load the page allowing for a much cleaner design.

C) The website features a mix of past and present styles making for an ugly visual layout and display of content. Sir Winston features some 2D modern elements but is mixed with other textured ones creating a very messy look and in turn making a seamless experience not possible. The website is also very messy, yes it does keep the standard web page layout (Header, navigation, body, etc) but the content in between is very unorganized. Imagines on the website are also not properly sized, some are stretched vertically and other horizontally lowering the quality and making for a vary unpleasant experience.

D) I have gone about simplifying the website down to four colours, dark blue (school colour), light blue (making the sidebar visible), yellow (school colour) and light grey (as a simple background). By simplifying the website down to four colours it makes the website much more modern as well as appealing. The choice of four simple colours removes all messiness the old website held with all the different colours and quality in images.

E) The design of the new website keeps the header, content, navigation, etc. just applies it in a slightly more compact and clean way. By moving the navigation to a side bar it keeps the website clean yet remains there with quick access by the click of a button.

Contrast: By having four simple colours it allows for nice contrast as well as makes the website modern and visually appealing.

Repetition: With a simple layout every page you go to would have the same simple layout allowing for a very simple and repetitive experience in turn making for very easy and enjoyable navigation.

Alignment: by having the "recent" "news" and "content" lign up on the home back it allows for a very neat and modern look as well as something that can be applied to every page.

Proximity: The distance between all text are equal and everything is centered making the website look much more clean than the old version.