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I figured as much and wanted to verify. Thank you for that

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Very very late response, but I appreciate it nevertheless. This is exactly what I was intending, and acknowledge is the downside with Wordpress; as you just wait for plugin hosters to revise their own CSS. This is when you just snag a CDN and call it equal (as I have done since)

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