

Special Education Alphabet Soup

Acronym	Term
AAC	Alternative Augmentative Communication
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
ADD/ADHD	Attention Deficit/Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
ADLs	Activities of Daily Living
APE	Adaptive Physical Education
ASL	American Sign Language
ARC	Advocate for the Rights of Citizens with Developmental Disabilities
AT	Assistive Technology
BIP	Behavior Intervention Plan
CA	Chronological Age
CAP	Corrective Action Plan
CAPD	Central Auditory Processing Disorder
CCSS/CCR	Common Core State Standards/College and Career Ready
CEC	Council for Exceptional Children
CF	Cystic Fibrosis
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations
CAA	Certificate of Academic Achievement
CIA	Certificate of Individual Achievement
CP	Cerebral Palsy
CSPD	Comprehensive System of Personnel Development
CST	Child Study Team
DAPE	Developmentally Appropriate Proficiency Exam
DB	Deaf-Blind
DD	Developmental Delay
DD Act	Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act
DoDDS	Department of Defense Dependent Schools
DS	Down Syndrome
DSD	<u>Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders</u> by the American Psychiatric Association
EALRs	Essential Academic Learning Requirements
E/BD	Emotional Behavioral Disability
ECE	Early Childhood Education
ED	Emotional Disturbance
EDGAR	Education Department General Administrative Regulations
EHA	Education of the Handicapped Act (now IDEA)
EI	Early Intervention
EPSDT	Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment
ESA	Educational Staff Associates
ESD	Extended School Day
ESEA	Elementary and Secondary Education Act
ESL/ELL	English as a Second Language/English Language Learner
ESY and EYS	Extended School Year or Extended Year Services

FAPE	Free Appropriate Public Education
FAS	Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
FBA	Functional Behavioral Assessment
FERPA	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
FC	Facilitated Communication
FEOG	Full Educational Opportunity Goal
FERPA	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
FOIA	Freedom of Information Act
GE	General Education
GLE	Grade Level Equivalents
GT	Gifted and Talented
HI	Hearing Impaired
HO	Hearing Officer
HSPE	High School Proficiency Exam
IA	Instructional Assistant
IAES	Interim Alternative Educational Setting
ID	Intellectual Disability
IDEA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
IEE	Individualized Educational Evaluation
IEP	Individualized Education Program
IFSP	Individualized Family Service Plan
IHE	Institution of Higher Education
ITP	Individualized Transition Plan
LD	Learning Disability
LEP	Limited English Proficiency
LDA	Locally Determined Assessment
LRE	Least Restrictive Environment
MA	Mental Age
MD	Muscular Dystrophy
MD or MH	Multiple Disabilities or Multiple Handicapped
MSP	Measurement of Student Progress (grades 3-8)
NDT	Neurodevelopmental Treatment
NPRM	Notice of Proposed Rule Making
OCD	Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder
OCR	Office of Civil Rights
ODD	Oppositional Defiant Disorder
OHI	Other Health Impairment
OI	Orthopedic Impairment
O & M	Orientation and Mobility
OT	Occupational Therapy
PALS	Peer-Assisted Learning System
PASS	Plan for Achieving Self-Support
PAVE	Partnerships for Action, Voices for Empowerment
PBI	Positive Behavior Intervention
PBS	Positive Behavioral Supports
PCA	Personal Care Attendant

PD	Physical Disability
PDD	Pervasive Developmental Disorder
Perkins Act	Carl Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act
PLAAFP/PLOP	Present Level of Academic and Functional Performance or Present Level of Performance
PP	Paraprofessional
PS	Preschool
PT	Physical Therapy
RS	Related Services
§	This symbol means "Section" as in "§ 300.7 Child with a disability" in the IDEA regulations
RTI	Response to Intervention
SAS	Supplementary Aids and Services
SB	Spina Bifida
SC	Service Coordinator
SDI	Specially Designed Instruction
SE	Special Education
SEAC	Special Education Advisory Committee
Section 504	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act
SED	Serious Emotional Disturbance
SI	Sensory Integration
SIG	State Improvement Grant
SIP	State Implementation Plan
SLD	Specific Learning Disability
S/L I	Speech/Language Impairment
S/L P	Speech/Language Pathologist
SPOA	Specific Power of Attorney
SSDI	Social Security Disability Income
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
SST	Student Study Team
TBI	Traumatic Brain Injury
TDD	Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf
TS	Tourette Syndrome
T-TA	Training and Technical Assistance
TTY	Teletypewriter (phone system for the deaf)
TWWIIA	Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act
VI	Visual Impairment
Voc Ed	Vocational Education
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation
WAAS	Washington Alternate Assessment System
WA-AIM	Washington Access to Instruction and Measurement
WAC 392-172A	Washington Administrative Code-Rules for the Provision of Sp. Ed.