



Disability Acronyms

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504 - Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

A

AAC - Alternative Augmentative Communication
ABA - Applied Behavior Analysis
ABC - Antecedent, Behavior, Consequence
ADA - Americans with Disabilities Act
ADD - Attention Deficit Disorder
ADE - Arkansas Department of Education
ADHD - Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
ADLs - Activities of Daily Living
ADR - Alternative Dispute Resolution
AIM - Accessible Instructional Materials
APA - American Psychological Association
APE - Adaptive Physical Education
APR - Annual Performance Report
ARD - Admission, Review, and Dismissal Committee
ARFID - Avoidant Restrictive Food Intake Disorder
ARRA - American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009
ASD - Autism Spectrum Disorder
ASL - American Sign Language
AT - Assistive Technology
ATA - Assistive Technology Act
AYP - Adequate Yearly Progress

B

BD - Behavioral Disorder
BIE - Bureau of Indian Education
BIP - Behavioral Intervention Plan
BOE - Board of Education

C

CAP - Corrective Action Plan
CAP - Client Assistance Program
CAPD - Central Auditory Processing Disorder
CAPTA - Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act
CBA - Curriculum Based Assessment
CBI - Community Based Intervention
CC - Closed Captioning
CCSS - Common Core State Standards
CDA - Child Development Associate
CDC - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CEC - Council for Exceptional Children
CES - Community Employment Support
CF - Cystic Fibrosis
CFR - Code of Federal Regulations
CHIP - Children's Health Insurance Program
CIFMS - Continuous Improvement and Focused Monitoring System
COP - Community of Practice
CP - Cerebral Palsy
CPIR - Center for Parent Information and Resources
CPRC - Community Parent Resource Center
CSHCN - Children with Special Health Care Needs
CSPD - Comprehensive System of Personnel Development
CST - Child Study Team

D

DB - Deaf-Blind
DD - Developmental Delay or Disability
DD Act - Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act

DDC - Developmental Disabilities Council
DESE - Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
DHS - Department of Human Services
DIBELS - Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy
DoDDS - Department of Defense Dependent Schools
DOE - Department of Education
DOR - Department of Rehabilitation
DRA - Disability Rights Arkansas
DS - Down Syndrome
DSM - Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders by the American Psychiatric Association

E

ECE - Early Childhood Education
ECSE - Early Childhood Special Education
ED - Emotional Disturbance
ED - U.S. Department of Education
EDGAR - Education Department General Administrative Regulations
EHA - Education of the Handicapped Act (now IDEA)
EHDI - Early Hearing Detection and Intervention Program
EI - Early Intervention
EIS - Early Intervening Services
ELL - English Language Learner
EMH - Educable Mentally Handicapped
EPSDT - Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment
ERIC - Education Resources Information Center
ESD - Extended School Day
ESEA - Elementary and Secondary Education Act (now called ESSA)
ESL - English as a Second Language
ESSA - Every Student Succeeds Act
ESY or EYS - Extended School Year or Extended Year Services

F

F2F - Family to Family

FAPE - Free Appropriate Public Education
FAS - Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
FBA - Functional Behavioral Assessment
FC - Facilitated Communication
FEOG - Full Educational Opportunity Goal
FERPA - Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
FOIA - Freedom of Information Act

G

GE - General Education
GPRA - Government Performance and Results Act
GT - Gifted and Talented

H

HCBS - Home and Community Based Services
HI - Hearing Impaired
HIPPA - Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act
HO - Hearing Officer
HoH - Hard of Hearing
HOUSSE - High Objective Uniform State Standards of Evaluation

I

IA - Instructional Assistant
IAES - Interim Alternative Educational Setting
ICAN - Increasing Capability Access Network
ID - Intellectual Disabilities
IDEA - Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
IEE - Independent Educational Evaluation
IEP - Individualized Education Program
IES - Institute of Education Sciences
IFSP - Individualized Family Service Plan
IFTW - Independent Futures That Work
IHE - Institution of Higher Education
IL - Independent Living
ISP - Individual Service Plan
ITCA - Infants and Toddlers Coordinators Association
ITP - Individualized Transition Plan

L

LD - Learning Disability
LEA - Local Education Agency
LEP - Limited English Proficiency
LRE - Least Restrictive Environment
LSW - Licensed Social Worker

M

MD - Muscular Dystrophy
MD - Multiple Disabilities
MDR - Manifestation Determination Review
MHP - Mental Health Professional
MOU - Memorandum of Understanding

N

NACDD - National Association of Councils on Developmental Disabilities
NASDE - National Association of State Directors of Special Education
NCIL - National Council on Independent Living
NCLB - No Child Left Behind
NCLD - National Center for Learning Disabilities
ND - Neurodiversity, Neurodiverse, Neurodivergent
NDRN - National Disability Rights Network
NIH - National Institutes of Health
NIMAS - National Instructional Materials Accessibility Standard
NIMH - National Institute of Mental Health
NOA - Notice of Action
NPRM - Notice of Proposed Rule Making
NT - Neurotypical
NTA - National Transition Alliance for Youth with Disabilities

O

OCD - Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder
OCR - Office for Civil Rights
ODD - Oppositional Defiant Disorder
OHI - Other Health Impairment

OI - Orthopedic Impairment
O & M - Orientation and Mobility Services
OSEP - Office of Special Education Programs (U.S. Dept of Ed)
OSERS - Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services (U.S. Dept)
OT - Occupational Therapy

P

P & A - Protection & Advocacy
PACER - Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights
PALS - Peer-Assisted Learning System
PARCC - Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers
PASS - Plan for Achieving Self-Support
PBS - Positive Behavioral Supports
PCA - Personal Care Attendant
PD - Physical Disability
PDD - Pervasive Developmental Disorder
PEI - Plan Educativo Individualizado
Perkins Act - Carl Perkins Vocational and Applied Technology Education Act
PII - Personally Identifiable Information
PL - Public Law
PLAAFP - Present Levels of Academic Achievement and Functional Performance
PLEP - Present Level of Educational Performance
PLP - Present Level of Performance
PP - Paraprofessional
PS - Preschool
PT - Physical Therapy
PTAC - Parent Technical Assistance Center
PTI - Parent Training and Information Center
PWN - Prior Written Notice

R

RDA - Results-Driven Accountability
RFP - Request for Proposals
RS - Related Services
RSA - Rehabilitation Services Administration
RTI - Response to Intervention

RTTT- Race to the Top Fund

S

§ - This symbol means "Section."

SAS - Supplementary Aids and Services

SB - Spina Bifida

SCHIP - State Children's Health Insurance Program

SE - Special Education

SEA - State Education Agency

SEAC - State Education Agency Committee

Section 504 - Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act

SED - Serious Emotional Disturbance

SEE - Signing Exact English

SI - Sensory Integration

SIG - State Improvement Grant

SIMR - State-Identified Measurable Results for Children with Disabilities

SIP - State Implementation Plan

SLD - Specific Learning Disability

SLI - Speech/Language Impairment

SLP - Speech/Language Pathology

SPC - Separate Programming Conference

SPED - Special Education

SPOA - Specific Power of Attorney

SPP - State Performance Plan

SPD - Sensory Processing Disorder

SSDI - Social Security Disability Income

SSI - Social Security Income

SSIP - State Systematic Improvement Plan

SST - Student Study Team

SWD - Student with Disability

T

TA - Technical Assistance

TANF - Temporary Assistance to Needy Families

TBI - Traumatic Brain Injury

TCFEF - The Center for Exceptional Families

TDD - Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf

TEFRA - Tax Equity and Fiscal Responsibility Act

Title IV - Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965

TS - Tourette Syndrome

T-TA - Training and Technical Assistance

TTY - Teletypewriter

TWWIIA - Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act

V

VI - Visual Impairment

Voc Ed - Vocational Education

VR - Vocational Rehabilitation

W

WIC - Women, Infants, and Children (Special Supplement Food Program)

WIOA - Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act

WOTC - Work Opportunity Tax Credit

WWC - What Works Clearinghouse

Y

YIT - Youth in Transition (Disability)

