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## Special Education Acronym List

**4500** – Use of Restraint and Seclusion in Schools

**504 or 504 Plan** – A plan developed to provide access and accommodations/modifications or limited services to a student with a disability.

**AAC** – Augmentative & Alternative Communication

**ABE** – Adult Basic Education

**ABLE** – Achieving a Better Life Experience

**ADA** – Alternate District Administrator

**ADA** – Americans with Disabilities Act

**AEP** – Alternative Education Placement

**AHS** - Agency of Human Services (mental health agency)

**ALD** – Achievement Level Descriptors

**AOE** – Agency of Education

**APE** – Adaptive Physical Education

**APR** – Annual Performance Report

**ARP** – American Rescue Plan

**ASD** – Autism Spectrum Disorder

**ASL** – American Sign Language

**AT** – Assistive Technology

**ATA** – Alternate Test Administrator

**ATE** – Alternate Teacher

**B-17** – Indicator B-17, the SSIP indicator

**BCBA** – Board Certified Behavior Analysts

**BEST** – Building Effective Strategies for Teaching

**BID** – Best interest Determination

**BMP** – Behavior Management Plan

**BVI** – Blind/Visually Impaired

**CADRE** – Center for Appropriate Dispute Resolution in Special Education

**CAP** – Corrective Action Plan

**CBI** – Community Based Instruction  
**CBL** – Community Based Learning  
**CC** – Child Count  
**CCEIS** – Comprehensive Coordinated Early Intervening Services  
**CCO** – Conditional Care Order  
**CCSS** – Common Core State Standards  
**CCSSO** – Council of Chief State School Officers  
**CD** – Communication Disorder  
**CDCI** – Center on Disability and Community Inclusion  
**CEIS** – Coordinated Early Intervening Services  
**CEP** – Community Eligibility Provision  
**CFR** – Code of Federal Regulations  
**CIFR** – Center for IDEA Fiscal Reporting  
**CIP** – Continuous Improvement Plan  
**CIS/EIP** – Children’s Integrated Services/early Intervention program  
**CoP** – Communities of Practice  
**COTA** – Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant  
**CPI** – Crisis Prevention and Intervention  
**CRC** – Case Review Committee  
**CrEAG** – Critical Review Elements Analysis Guide  
**CRRSA** – Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations  
**CSHN** – Child with Special Health Needs  
**CSP** – Coordinated Services Plan (aka Act 264 Plan)  
**CTE** – Career & Technical Education  
**DA** – District Administrator  
**DAC** – Data Accountability Center  
**DAIL** – Department of Disability, Aging and Independent Living  
**DCF** – Department of Children and Families  
**DD** – Developmental Delay  
**DD** – Developmental Disabilities  
**DLM** – Dynamic Learning Maps  
**DLP** – Developmental Learning Program

**DMAD** – Data Management and Analysis Division

**DMG** – District Management Group

**DOC** – Department of Corrections

**DOE** – Department of Education (now under AOE – Agency of Education)

**EBP** – Evidence-Based Practice

**EBR** – Educational Benefit Review

**ECE** – Early Childhood Education

**ECO** – Early Childhood Outcomes

**ECSE** – Early Childhood Special Education

**ECTA** – Early Childhood Technical Assistance

**Early MTSS** – Early Multi-tiered System of Supports

**ED** – Emotional Disturbance

**EEC** – Evergreen Evaluation and Consulting

**EEE** – Essential Early Education

**EDW** – Education Data Warehouse

**EIP** – Early Intervention Program

**EL** – English Learners

**ELA** – English Language Arts

**EPT** – Evaluation Planning Team

**EQ** – Educator Quality Division/Team

**EQR** – Education Quality Review

**EQS** – Education Quality Standards

**ERIC** – Education Resources Information Center

**ESEA** – Elementary and Secondary Education Act

**ESF-REM** – Education Stabilization Fund-Rethink K-12 Education Models

**ESL** – English as a Second Language

**ESOL** – English for Speakers of Other Languages

**ESSA** – Every Student Succeeds Act

**ESSER** – Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief

**EST** – Educational Support Team

**ESY** – Extended School Year

**FAPE** – Free Appropriate Public Education

**FBA** – Functional Behavior Assessment

**FEL** – Foundation for Early Learners

**FERPA** – Federal Educational Rights and Privacy Act

**FNS** – Food and Nutrition Service

**FRL** – Free and Reduced Lunch

**GED** – General Equivalency Diploma

**GEER** – Governor’s Emergency Education Relief

**GEPA** – General Education Provisions Act

**GSM** – General Supervision & Monitoring Division/Team

**HL** – Hearing Loss

**HQT** – Highly Qualified Teacher

**IAES** – Interim Alternative Educational Setting

**IDEA** – Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

**IDEA-B** – Individuals with Disabilities Education Act – Part B (ages 3 – 21)

**IDC** – IDEA Data Center

**IEE** – Independent Educational Evaluation

**IEP** – Individualized Education Programs

**IFSP** – Individualized Family Service Plan

**IRB** – Institutional Review Board

**I-Team** – Interdisciplinary Team

**K-12** – Kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade

**LAIP** – Literate Adolescents Intervention Project

**LCI** – Learner Characteristic Inventory

**LCAS** – Local Comprehensive Assessment Systems

**LD** – Learning Disability

**LEA** – Local Education Agency (Supervisory Unions/School Districts)

**LEAP** – Local Education Agency Plan

**LIT** – Local Interagency Team

**LRE** – Least Restrictive Environment

**LRW** – Legal and Regulatory Workgroup

**LSCI** – Life Space Crisis Intervention

**MD** – Multiple Disabilities

**MOE** – Maintenance of Effort

**MTSS-RtII** – Multi-tiered System of Supports Response to Intervention and Instruction

**MYP** – Multi Year Plan

**NAEP** – National Assessment of Educational Progress

**NASDSE** – National Association of State Directors of Special Education

**NBPD** – Needs-based Professional Development

**NCLB** – No Child Left Behind

**NCSEAM** – National Center for Special Education Accountability Monitoring

**NCSI** – National Center for Systemic Improvement

**NEA** – National Education Association

**NECAP** – New England Common Assessment Program

**NECTAC** – National Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center

**NERRC** – Northeast Regional Resource Center

**NGSS** – Next Generation Science Standards

**NIC** – Networked Improvement Community

**NIMAS** – National Instructional Materials Accessibility Standard

**NIRN** – National Implementation Research Network

**NSTTAC** – The National Secondary Transition Technical Assistance Center

**NTAC** – National Technical Assistance Center

**OCR** – Office of Civil Rights

**OESE** – Office of Elementary and Secondary Education

**OHI** – Other Health Impairment

**OMB** – Office of Management and Budget

**One Plan** – Individualized Family Service Plan

**OSEP** – Office of Special Education Programs (U.S. Department of Education)

**OSERS** – Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

**OT** – Occupational Therapy/Therapist

**OVHA** – Office of Vermont Health Access

**Part B** – Age 3 - 21 (special education term)

**Part C** – Birth to age 3 (special education term)

**PBGR's** – Proficiency-Based Graduation Requirements

**PBIS** – Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports

**PBL** – Proficiency-Based Learning

**PD** – Professional Development

**PECS** – Picture Exchange Communication System

**PLAAFP** – Present Levels of Academic Achievement and Functional Performance

**PLP** – Personalized Learning Plans

**PreK** – Prekindergarten

**PT** – Physical Therapist

**PTA** – Parent Teacher Association

**RDA** – Results Driven Accountability

**RFP** – Request for Proposal (for contracting with external consultants)

**ROI** – Weekly Rate of Improvement

**RTI** – Response to Intervention

**RTII** – Responsiveness to Instruction and Intervention

**Rule 4500** – Use of Restraint and Seclusion in Schools

**SBAC** – Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium

**SBE** – State Board of Education

**SC** – School Test Coordinator

**SD** – Supervisory District, School District

**SDI** – Specially Designed Instruction

**SEA** – State Education Agency (i.e., Agency of Education)

**SEERs** – Special Education Expense Reports

**SEL** – Social and Emotional Learning

**SETT** – Student, Environments, Tasks and Tools

**SIG** – School Improvement Grant

**SIMR** – State Identified Measurable Result (the focus of the state’s SSIP)

**SIT** – School Improvement Team

**SLD** – Specific Learning Disability

**SLDS** – Statewide Longitudinal Data System

**SLI** – Speech/Language Impairments

**SLP** – Speech Language Pathologist

**SMART** – Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic, and Time-Bound

**SPDG** – State Personnel Development Grant

**SPP/APR** – State Performance Plan and Annual Performance Report

**SSIP** – State Systemic Improvement Plan

**SSS** – Student Support Services Division

**STEM, STEAM** – Science, Technology, Engineering, (Arts), Mathematics

**SU** – Supervisory Unions

**SWD** – Students with Disabilities

**SWIFT** – School-wide Integrated Framework for Transformation

**SWSD** – Students with Significant Cognitive Disabilities

**TA** – Technical Assistance

**TBI** – Traumatic Brain Injury

**TRIPSCY** – Training & Resources for Interdisciplinary Professionals Serving Children & Youth

**TTS** – Text to Speech

**UDL** – Universal Design for Learning

**USDOE** – United States Department of Education

**UPK** – Universal Prekindergarten

**UVM** – University of Vermont

**VCSEA** – Vermont Council of Special Education Administrators

**VECAP** – Vermont Early Childhood Action Plan

**VDH** – Vermont Department of Health

**VELS** – Vermont Early Learning Standards

**VFFCMH** – Vermont Federation of Families for Children’s Mental Health

**VFN** – Vermont Family Network

**VIIM** – Vermont Integrated Instruction Model

**VocRehab** – Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

**VPA** – Vermont Principal’s Association

**VR** – Vertical Reporting

**VSA** – Vermont Superintendents Association

**VSBA** – Vermont School Boards Association

**VSBE** – Vermont Standards Board of Professional Educators

**VSEAC** – Vermont Special Education Advisory Council

**VTAA** – Vermont Alternative Assessment

**VTCAP** – Vermont Comprehensive Assessment Program

- VTCLIM** – Vermont School Climate Survey
- VTmtss** – Vermont Multi-tiered System of Supports
- VTVLC** – Vermont Virtual Learning Cooperative
- WAI** – Web Accessibility Initiative
- WBL** – Work Based Learning
- WIOA** – Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act