

Wisconsin

Frequently Used Education Acronyms/Terms in Special Education

ADD/ADHD - Attention Deficit Disorder /Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

AODA - Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse

APR - Annual Performance Report

AT - Assistive Technology

AYP - Adequate Yearly Progress

BIP - Behavior Intervention Plan

CASS - Council of Administrators of Special Services Formerly CAPS & CASE; A professional organization for Special Education and Pupil Services Personnel

CCDEB - County Children with Disabilities Education Board Formerly known as CHCEB-County Handicapped Children's Education Board

CD - Cognitive Disability

CEC - Council for Exceptional Children. A national organization focusing on issues related to children with disabilities. There is also a state chapter.

CEIS - Coordinated Early Intervening Services

CESA - Cooperative Educational Service Agency

CFR - Code of Federal Regulations

CSHCN - Children with Special Health Care Needs, DHS

CSPD - Comprehensive System of Personnel Development. This has been replaced by the Wisconsin Personnel Development System.

DCS - Division of Community Services, DHFS

DCTF - Division of Care and Treatment Facilities, DHFS

DDC - Developmental Disabilities Council

DHFS - Department of Health and Family Services. Formerly the Department of Health and Social Services; as of July 2008, split into the Department of Health Services and the Department of Children and Families.

DLS - Division for Learning Support.

DOC - Department of Corrections

DPI - Department of Public Instruction

DTAN - Disproportionality Technical Assistant Network

DVR - Division of Vocational Rehabilitation in the Department of Workforce Development

EBD - Emotional Behavioral Disability (formerly ED)

EC - Early Childhood

EDGAR - Education Department General Administrative Regulations

ESY - Extended School Year

FACETS - Family Assistance Center for Education, Training and Support. The Statewide Parent Training and Information Center, funded by the U.S. Department of Education

FAPE - Free Appropriate Public Education

FBA - Functional Behavioral Assessment

FERPA - Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act

GLARRC - Great Lakes Area Regional Resource Center. Now known as the NCRRC. This is now the North Central Regional Resource Center.

GPR - General Program Revenue

IDEA - Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, the current federal special education law.

IEP - Individualized Education Program

LEA - Local Educational Agency. In Wisconsin, school districts, DHFS, DOC, and non-district charter schools.

LEP - Limited English Proficient

LPP - Local Performance Plan

LRE - Least Restrictive Environment

NCLB - No Child Left Behind. This national legislation reauthorized the Elementary and Secondary Education Act and has broad implications for the education of all children.

NCRRC - North Central Regional Resource Center. Formerly known as the GLARRC.

OCR - Office for Civil Rights. A part of the U. S. Department of Education responsible for enforcement of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.

OHI - Other Health Impairment

OI - Orthopedic Impairment

OSEP - Office of Special Education Programs, U. S. Department of Education.

OSERS - Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

OT - Occupational Therapy

PBIS - Positive Behavioral Intervention and Supports

PLOEP - Present Level of Educational Performances

PPS - Program Participation System. The electronic data system used to manage referrals of children from county Birth to 3 agencies to local educational agencies.

PT - Physical Therapy

RCC - Residential Care Center (formerly known as CCI)

RSN - Regional Service Network

Rti - Response to Intervention

SAP - School Age Parents

SBS - School Based Services (A WMA Service)

SDD - Significant Developmental Delay

SEA - State Educational Agency. In Wisconsin, the Department of Public Instruction.

SEP - Special Education Plan. The SEP was a district's written plan for the provision of special education and related services, available for the public to read. See Wisconsin Statutes, section 115.77 (4). Discontinued as of July 1, 2006; replaced by the local performance plan.

SIP - State Improvement Plan. The SIP was a statewide plan to improve educational outcomes of children with disabilities by focusing on collaborative partnerships, supports for learning, and quality staff. See Section 653 of the IDEA. Replaced in 2005-2006 by the SPP.

SLD - Specific Learning Disability (formerly just LD)

SPDG - State Personnel Development Grant. The SPDG replaced the State Improvement Grant (SIG).

SPP - State Performance Plan. The SPP replaces the SIP beginning with 2005-2006.

TBI - Traumatic Brain Injury

WAA-SwD - Wisconsin Alternate Assessment for Students with Disabilities

WACL D - Wisconsin Association for Children with Learning Disabilities.

WASDA - Wisconsin Association of School District Administrators

WCBVI - Wisconsin Center for the Blind and Visually Impaired

WEAC - Wisconsin Education Association Council

WESPDHH - Wisconsin Educational Services Program for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

WMA - Wisconsin Medical Assistance, DHS

WPDM - Wisconsin Personnel Development Model

WSD - Wisconsin School for the Deaf, Delavan

WSEMS - Wisconsin Special Education Mediation System

WSPEI - Wisconsin Statewide Parent-Educator Initiative

WSVH - Wisconsin School for the Visually Handicapped, Janesville