



Special Education Acronyms

Acronym	Meaning
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
ADR	Alternative Dispute Resolution
ASD	Autism Spectrum Disorder
AT/ AAC	Assistive Technology/ Augmentative Communication
BCBA	Board Certified Behavior Analyst
BIP	Behavior Intervention Plan
DHH	Deaf and Hard of Hearing
ED	Emotional Disturbance
ELL/ ESL	English Language Learner/ English as a Second Language
EI	Early Intervention
ESY	Extended School Year
FAPE	Free and Appropriate Education
FBA	Functional Behavior Assessment
FERPA	Federal Education Records Privacy Act
ID	Intellectual Disabilities
IDEA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
IEE	Independent Evaluation
IEP	Individualized Education Plan
IFSP	Individual Family Service Plan
LEA	Local Education Agency
LRE	Least Restrictive Environment
MD	Manifestation Determination
MTSS/ RTI	Multi-Tiered System of Success/ Response to Intervention



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NCLB	No Child Left Behind
OSEP	US Office of Special Education Program
OSERS	US Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Programs
O & M	Orientation and Mobility
OT	Occupational Therapy
PLOP	Present Levels of Performance
PT	Physical Therapy
PWN	Prior Written Notice
RSP	Resource Specialist Program
SAI	Specialized Academic Instruction
SDC	Special Day Class
SELPA	Special Education Local Plan Area
SLD	Specific Learning Disability
504	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act