

SPECIAL ED ACRONYMS

ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
ADD	Attention Deficit Disorder
ADHD	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
ADM	Average Daily Membership
ALS	Academic Learning Support
APA	American Psychological Association
APS	Approved Private School
ARC	Association of Retarded Citizens
AS	Autistic Support
BEC	Basic Education Circular
BSE	Bureau of Special Education
BSU	Base Service Unit
CASSP	Child and Adolescent Service System Program
CEC	Council for Exceptional Children
COTA	Certified Occupational Therapy Assistant
ED	Emotional Disturbance
EHA	Education of the Handicapped Act
EI	Early Intervention
ER	Evaluation Report
ES	Emotional Support
ESY	Extended School Year
FAE	Fetal Alcohol Effect
FAPE	Free and Appropriate Public Education
FAS	Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
FERPA	Family Education Rights and Privacy Act
GS	Gifted Support
HIS	Hearing Impaired Support
IA	Instructional Assistant
IDEA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
IEE	Independent Education Evaluation
IEP	Individual Education Program
IRRC	Independent Regulatory Review Commission
IST	Instructional Support Team
ITP	Individual Transition Plan
IU	Intermediate Unit
LEA	Local Education Agency
LPT	Licensed Physical Therapist
LRE	Least Restrictive Environment
LSS	Life Skills Support
MAWA	Mutually Agreed Upon Written Arrangement
MDE	Multidisciplinary Evaluation
MDS	Multidisabilities Support
MDT	Multidisciplinary Team
MH/MR	Mental Health/Mental Retardation
NOREP	Notice of Recommended Educational Placement
OCR	Office of Civil Rights
ODR	Office of Dispute Resolution
OHI	Other Health Impaired
O&M	Orientation and Mobility
OSEP	Office of Special Education Programs

OSERS	Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services
OT	Occupational Therapy
OTR	Occupational Therapist, Registered
PAGE	Pennsylvania Association for Gifted Education
PaTTAN	Pennsylvania Training and Technical Assistance Network
PDE	Pennsylvania Department of Education
PLOPs	Present Levels of Performance
PODS	Parents of Down Syndrome
PPA	Pennsylvania Protection and Advocacy
PRRI	Private Residential Rehabilitation Institution
PT	Physical Therapy
PTA	Physical Therapy Assistant
SEA	State Education Agency
SLS	Speech and Language Support
SSI	State Supported Initiative
TIEP	Transition Individual Education Program