

## **Glossary of Terms, Acronyms and Definitions For Special Education Part B and C of IDEA**

<b>ACRES</b>	American Council on Rural Special Education
<b>ADA</b>	Americans with Disabilities Act
<b>ADD</b>	Attention Deficit Disorder
<b>ADHD</b>	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
<b>AFO</b>	Ankle Foot Orthotic
<b>APE</b>	Adapted Physical Education
<b>APRN</b>	Advanced Practice Registered Nurse
<b>APR</b>	Annual Performance Report
<b>ARC</b>	Association for Retarded Citizens
<b>ASD</b>	American School for the Deaf
<b>ASHA</b>	American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
<b>ASL</b>	American Sign Language
<b>AT</b>	Assistive Technology
<b>ATD</b>	Assistive Technology Device
<b>AU/AUT</b>	Autism
<b>AYP</b>	Adequate Yearly Progress
<b>BESB</b>	Board of Education & Services for the Blind
<b>BD</b>	Behavior Disorders
<b>BIA</b>	Bureau of Indian Affairs
<b>BIP</b>	Behavioral Intervention Plan
<b>BOE</b>	Board of Education
<b>BRS</b>	Bureau of Rehabilitation Services

<b>CA</b>	Chronological Age
<b>CD</b>	Cognitive Delay
<b>CEC</b>	Council on Exceptional Children
<b>CFR</b>	Code of Federal Regulations
<b>CHDD</b>	Children and Adults with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
<b>CIFMS</b>	Continuous Improvement and Focused Monitoring System
<b>CoP</b>	Community of Practice
<b>COTA</b>	Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant
<b>CP</b>	Cerebral Palsy
<b>CPAC</b>	CT Parent Advocacy Center
<b>CSPD</b>	Comprehensive System of Personnel Development
<b>CST</b>	Child Study Team
<b>DB</b>	Deaf- Blindness
<b>DCF</b>	Department of Children and Families
<b>D</b>	Deaf
<b>DD</b>	Developmental Disability
<b>DDS</b>	Department of Developmental Services (formerly DMR – Department of Mental Retardation)
<b>DOE</b>	Department of Education
<b>DOH</b>	Department of Health
<b>DMHAS</b>	Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services
<b>DPH</b>	Due Process Hearing
<b>DPHO</b>	Due Process Hearing Officer

<b>DSM-IV</b>	Diagnostic and Statistical Manual IV
<b>DSS</b>	Department of Social Services
<b>ED</b>	Emotional Disturbance
<b>ECSE</b>	Early Childhood Special Education
<b>EDGAR</b>	Early Department General Administrative Regulations
<b>EHA</b>	Education of the Handicapped Act
<b>EI</b>	Early Intervention
<b>ELP</b>	English Language Proficiency
<b>ERIC</b>	Education Resource Information Center
<b>ESEA</b>	Elementary and Secondary Education Act
<b>ESL</b>	English as a Second Language
<b>ESY</b>	Extended School Year
<b>FAPE</b>	Free Appropriate Public Education
<b>FBA</b>	Functional Behavior Assessment
<b>FERPA</b>	Family Education Rights and Privacy Act
<b>FM</b>	Focused Monitoring
<b>GT</b>	Gifted and Talented
<b>HCFA</b>	Health Care Financing Administration
<b>HI</b>	Hearing Impaired
<b>HIPPA</b>	Health Insurance Portability Accountability Act
<b>HMO</b>	Health Maintenance Organization
<b>IASA</b>	Improving America's Schools Act
<b>ICC</b>	Interagency Coordinating Council

<b>IDC</b>	International Classification of Disease (version 9)
<b>IDEA</b>	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
<b>IEE</b>	Individual Education Evaluation
<b>IEP</b>	Individual Education Program
<b>IFSP</b>	Individual Family Service Plan
<b>IHCP</b>	Individualized Health Care Plan
<b>IHE</b>	Institutions of Higher Education
<b>IQ</b>	Intelligence Quotient
<b>LA</b>	Lead Agency
<b>LD</b>	Learning Disability
<b>LEA</b>	Local Education Agency
<b>LEP</b>	Limited English Proficiency
<b>LICC</b>	Local Inter Agency Coordinating Council (Birth to Three)
<b>LOB</b>	Legislative Office Building
<b>LRE</b>	Least Restrictive Environment
<b>MA</b>	Mental Age
<b>MCH/CSHCN</b>	Maternal and Child Health/Children with Special Health Care Needs
<b>MSW</b>	Masters of Social Work
<b>NASDSE</b>	National Association of State Directors of Special Education
<b>NCLB</b>	No Child Left Behind – Federal Law passed by Congress
<b>NDT</b>	Neuro Development Training
<b>NECTAC</b>	National Early Childhood and Technical Assistance Center

<b>NEC*TAS</b>	National Early Childhood Technical Assistance System
<b>OCR</b>	Office for Civil Rights – refers to the Rehabilitation Act 1973 Section 504 - Northeast office is in Boston MA.
<b>ODD</b>	Oppositional Defiant Disorder
<b>OESE</b>	Office of Elementary and Secondary Education (USDOE)
<b>OHI</b>	Other Health Impaired
<b>OI</b>	Orthopedic Impairment
<b>O&amp;M</b>	Orientation and Mobility
<b>OPA</b>	Office of Protection and Advocacy
<b>OPM</b>	Office of Policy and Management
<b>OSEP</b>	Office Special Education Programs (Federal Government agency)
<b>OSERS</b>	Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services
<b>OT</b>	Occupational Therapy
<b>P&amp;A</b>	Protection and Advocacy
<b>Part B</b>	Refers to special education services under the special education law IDEA for children ages 3 – 21.
<b>Part C</b>	Refers to services under the special education law IDEA for children ages birth to age 3.
<b>PDD</b>	Pervasive Development Disorders
<b>PL</b>	Public Law (Federal)
<b>PLP</b>	Present Levels of Education Performance
<b>PPT</b>	Planning and Placement Team
<b>PT</b>	Physical Therapist
<b>PTIC</b>	Parent Training and Information Center

<b>RESC</b>	Regional Educational Service Center
<b>RRC</b>	Regional Resource Center (The states are divided up among 7 centers)
<b>RtI</b>	Response to Intervention
<b>SA</b>	Self Assessment
<b>SAT</b>	Student Assistance Team
<b>SEA</b>	State education agency
<b>Section 504</b>	Refers to civil rights legislation section “Nondiscrimination on the basis of disability” of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973.
<b>Section 619</b>	Refers to the Special Education law IDEA for preschool ages 3-5
<b>SERC</b>	State Education Resource Center located in Middletown CT.
<b>SI</b>	Sensory Integration
<b>SIG</b>	State Improvement Grant
<b>SIP</b>	State Improvement Plan
<b>SL</b>	Speech Language
<b>SLP</b>	Speech Language Pathologist
<b>Sped</b>	Special Education
<b>STO</b>	Short Term Objective
<b>TAT</b>	Teacher Assistance Team
<b>TBI</b>	Traumatic Brain Injury
<b>TDD/TTY</b>	Telecommunications Device for the Deaf/Teletypewriter
<b>USDE/USDOE</b>	United States Department of Education
<b>VI</b>	Visual Impairment

**Voc Ed**

Vocational Education

**VR**

Vocational Rehabilitation