

AAC	Alternative Augmentative Communication
AAE	Augmentative and Alternative Education
ABA	Applied Behavior Analysis
ADA	Americans with Disabilities Act
ADC	Aid to Dependent Children
ADD	Attention Deficit Disorder
ADHD	Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
ADLs	Activities of Daily Living
AEP	Alternative Education Placement
AI	Auditorily Impaired
AODA	Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse
APA	Annual Performance Report
APD	Auditory Processing Disorder
APE	Adaptive Physical Education
APS	Approved Private School
ASD	Autism Spectrum Disorder
ASL	American Sign Language
AT	Assistive Technology
AU	Autistic
AUT	Autism
AYP	Adequate Yearly Progress
BASIS	Basic Adult Skills Inventory System
BCBA	Board Certified Behavioral Analyst
BD	Behavioral Disorder
BIP	Behavioral Improvement Plan
BIP	Behavior Intervention Plan
BSEA	Bureau of Special Education Appeals
CA	Chronological Age
CAI	Computer Assisted Instruction
CBA	Curriculum Based Assessment
CBI	Community Based Instruction
CBT	Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
CD	Communication Disorder
CEC	Council for Exceptional Children
CFR	Code of Federal Regulations

CFR	Cystic Fibrosis
CI	Cognitive Impairment
CMR	Code of Massachusetts Regulations
CP	Cerebral Palsy
D	Deaf
DAEP	Disciplinary Alternative Education Program
DB	Deaf/Blind
DD	Developmental Delay
DDS	Department of Disability Services (Massachusetts)
DESE	Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
DH	Department of Health
DHS	Department of Human Services
DI	Direct Instruction
DIBELS	Dynamic Indicator of Early Literacy Skills
DLC	Disability Law Center
DOE	US Department of Education
DPH	Due Process Hearing (or Department of Public Health)
DS	Down Syndrome
DSM	Diagnostic & Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (Am Psychiatric Association)
EA	Emergency Action
EBD	Emotional Behavioral Disability
EBD	Emotional Behavioral Disorders
EC	Early Childhood
ECDD	Early Childhood Developmental Delay
ECE	Early Childhood Education
EI	Early Intervention
ELL	English Language Learners
ER	Evaluation Report
ESD	Extended School Day
ESL	English as a Second Language
ESY	Extended School Year (Summer Program)
FAPE	Free Appropriate Public Education
FAS	Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
FASD	Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Disorder
FBA	Functional Behavioral Assessment

FERPA	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
GE	General Education
GT	Gifted and Talented
HI	Hearing Impaired
HO	Hearing Officer
HOH	Hard of Hearing
HS	Head Start or High School
IA	Instructional Assistant
ID	Intellectual Disability
IDEA	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (Federal Sped Law)
IEE	Independant Educational Evaluation
IEP	Individualized Education Plan
ITP	Individualized Transition Plan
LD	Learning Disability
LEA	Local Education Agency (school district)
LEP	Limited English Proficiency
LRE	Least Restrictive Environment
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MA	Mental Age
MDE	Multidisciplinary Evaluation
MGL	Massachusetts General Laws
MH	Mental Health
MM	Mild Moderate
NCLB	No Child Left Behind (Federal Legislation)
NEA	National Educational Association
NOREP	Notice of Recommended Educational Placement
O&M	Orientation & Mobility
OCD	Obsessive Compulsive Disorder
OCR	Office of Civil Rights (Enforces Section 504 of Rehab Act of 1973)
ODD	Oppositional Defiant Disorder
OHI	Other Health Impaired
OOD	Out of District
OSEP	(US) Office of Special Education Programs
OSERS	(US) Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services
OT	Occupational Therapy

PALS	Peer Assisted Learning System
PCL	Parent Concerns Letter
PD	Physical Disability
PDD	Pervasive Developmental Disorder
PDD-NOS	Pervasive Developmental Disorder - Not Otherwise Specified
PIP	Program Improvement Plan
PLOP	Present Levels of Performance
PP	Para Professional
PS	Preshcool
PT	Physical Therapy
PTE	Permission To Evaluate
PWN	Prior Written Notice
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RR	Review Reevaluation or Reevaluation Report
RS	Related Service
RTI	Response To Intervention
SB	Spina Bifida
SDI	Specially Designed Instruction
SDI	School District
SI	Sensory Integration or Speech Impairment
SID	Sensory Integration Disorder
SLD	Specific Learning Disability
SLI	Specific Language Impairment
SLP	Speech Language Pathologist
SPD	Sensory Processing Disorder
SPED	Special Education
SSI	Supplemental Security Income
TBI	Traumatic Brain Injury
TS	Tourette Syndrome
TTY	Teletypewriter
VI	Visual Impairment
VocEd	Vocational Education
VR	Vocational Rehabilitation