

A Guide to Acronyms in Education

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| ADA | Americans with Disabilities Act |
| ADD/ADHD | Attention Deficit/Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder |
| Alternative Assessment | An assessment in which students originate a response to a task. Such responses could include demonstrations, exhibits, portfolios, oral presentations, or essays. |
| AP | Advanced Placement |
| Assessment | The ongoing process of describing or gathering data about performance in order to document student progress. |
| Benchmark | A description of student knowledge expected at specific grades, ages, or developmental levels. |
| CAPD | Central Auditory Processing Disorder |
| CAPT | Connecticut Academic Performance Test |
| CSDE | Connecticut State Department of Education |
| DIP | District Improvement Plan |
| ESOL\ELL | English Speakers of Other Language\English Language Learners |
| FERPA | Family Educational Right and Privacy Act |
| FTE | Full-time Equivalency |
| IDEA | Individuals with Disabilities Education Act |
| IEP | Individualized Education Program |
| LEA | Local Education Agency |
| NAEP | National Assessment of Educational Progress |
| NAEYC | National Association for the Education on Young Children |
| NEASC | New England Association of Schools and Colleges |
| OHI | Other Health Impairment |
| OT | Occupational Therapy |
| PBS | Positive Behavioral Supports |
| RFP | Request for Proposals |
| SEA | State Education Agency |
| SIP | School Improvement Plan |
| SLP | Speech and Language Pathologist |
| SRBI | Scientificallly Researched Based Intervention |
| SRO | School Resource Officer |
| STEM | Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics |