

EAST FORT WORTH MONTESSORI ACADEMY

SPECIAL EDUCATION ACRONYMS

Special Education seems to have a language of its own. Educators often use many of these words in conversations with parents, so, as a parent, please ask for clarification or an explanation of the meaning. Teachers, speech/language pathologists, principals, etc. will be more than happy to do so. As an equal partner in planning, parents must be comfortable with and understand the information they are seeing and/or reading. We welcome your questions!

AAR – Academic Achievement Record

ADA – Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990

AEIS- Academic Excellence Indicator System

AEP – Alternative Education Program

AFDR – Annual Federal Data Report

AGC – Access to the General Curriculum

AI – Auditory Impairment

APR – Annual Performance Report

ARD – Admission, Review, and Dismissal

AT – Assistive Technology

AU – Autism

AYP – Adequate Yearly Progress

BIP - Behavior Intervention Plan

CAC – Texas Special Education Continuing Advisory Committee

CADRE – Consortium for Appropriate Dispute Resolution in Special Education

CARS – Center for Academic & Reading Skills

CATE – Career and Technology Education

CBM – Curriculum Based Measurement

CCSSO – Council of Chief State School Officers

CFR – Code of Federal Regulations

CF – Child Find

CIFMS – Continuous Improvement Focused Monitoring System

CIMP – Continuous Improvement Monitoring Process

CIP – Continuous Improvement Plan

CoP – Community of Practice

CPRC – Community Parent Resource Center

CRCG – Community Resource Coordination Group

CSPD – Comprehensive System of Personnel Development

DADS – Texas Dept. of Aging & Disability Services

DAEP – Disciplinary Alternative Education Program

DARS – Texas Department of Assistive & Rehabilitative Services

DAS – Data Analysis System

DB – Deaf-Blind

DD Council – Texas Council for Developmental Disabilities

DPH – Due Process Hearing

DSHS – Texas Department of State Health Services

ECI – Early Childhood Intervention

ECO – Early Childhood Outcomes Center

ED – Emotional Disturbance

EDEN – Education Data Exchange Network

EIS – Early Intervening Services

ELL – English Language Learner

EIMAC – Education Information Management Advisory Consortium of CCSSO

ESC – Education Service Center

ESEA – Elementary and Secondary Education Act

ESY – Extended School Year Services

EWDS – Early Warning Data System

FAPE – Free Appropriate Public Education

FBA – Functional Behavioral Assessment

FERPA – Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act

FIE – Full and Individual Evaluation

GED – General Educational Development Certificate

GEPA – Government Performance & Results Act

GC – General Curriculum

HO – Hearing Officer

HHSC – Texas Health & Human Services Commission

HIPAA – Health Insurance Portability & Accountability Act of 1996

HOUSE – High, Objective, Uniform Standard of Evaluation

EWDS – Early Warning Data System

IAES – Interim Alternative Educational Setting

ICD - International Classification of Diseases

ICF - International Classification of Functionality

IDEA – Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2004

IDEA-B – IDEA program for children with disabilities 3-21

IDEA-C – IDEA program for children with disabilities 0-2

IEE – Independent Educational Evaluation

IEP – Individualized Education Program

IFSP – Individual Family Service Plan

IN – Intellectual Disability

ITCA – Infant & Toddler Coordinators Association

JJAEP – Juvenile Justice Alternative Education Program

LD –Specific Learning Disability

LDAA – Locally Determined Alternative Assessment (obsolete)

LEA – Local Education Agency

LEP – Limited English Proficient

LPAC – Language Proficiency Assessment Committee

LRE – Least Restrictive Environment

MAC – Medicaid Administrative Claiming

MD – Multiple Disabilities

MDR – Manifestation Determination Review

MOU – Memorandum of Understanding

MR – Mental Retardation

MSRP – Monitoring & State Improvement Planning Division

NASDE – National Association of State Directors of Special Education

NCCRESt – National Center for Culturally Responsive Educational Systems

NCEC – Non-categorical Early Childhood

NCEO – National Center on Educational Outcomes

NCES – National Center for Educational Statistics

NCHS – National Center for Health Statistics

NCLB – The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001

NCSEAM – National Center Special Ed. Accountability Monitoring

NCSL – National Conference of State Legislatures

NDPC – National Dropout Prevention Center

NECTAC – National Early Childhood Technical Assistance Center

NEILS – National Early Intervention Longitudinal Study

NPRM – Notice of Proposed Rule Making

NPSO – National Post-School Outcomes Center

OCIO – Office of the Chief Information Officer, US Dept. of Education

OHI – Other Health Impairment

OI – Orthopedic Impairment

OIG – Office of the Inspector General, US Dept. of Education

O&M – Orientation & Mobility

OMB – Office of Management & Budget

ORR – Open Records Request

OSEP- Office of Special Education Programs, U.S. Department of Education

OSERS – Office of Special Education & Rehabilitative Services

PACER – Parent Advocacy Coalition for Educational Rights

PBM – Performance-Based Monitoring

PBIS - Positive Behavioral Interventions & Support

PEIMS – Public Education Information Management System

PIL – Parent Information Line - Parent Information Line – 1-800-252-9668

PIRTS – Public Information Request Tracking System

PMWG – Performance Measurement Work Group

PPCD – Preschool Program for Children with Disabilities

PTI – Parent Training and Information Center

REED – Review of Existing Evaluation Data

RTI – Response-to-Intervention

RTP – Research to Practice Division, OSEP

RPTE – Reading Proficiency Tests in English

SAAH – Student Attendance and Accounting Handbook

SBEC – State Board for Educator Certification

SBOE – State Board of Education

SDAA – State-Developed Alternative Assessment

SHARS – Student Health & Related Services

SI – Speech or Language Impairment

SPEARS – Special Education Ad Hoc Reporting System

SPP – State Performance Plan

SSA – Shared Services Arrangement

STAAR - State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness

STAAR-L – State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness for English Language Learners

STAAR-Mod – State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness-Modified

STAAR-Alt – State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness-Alternate

STAAR-EOC – End of Course State of Texas Assessment of Academic Readiness

TAC – Texas Administrative Code

TA&D Centers – Technical Assistance & Dissemination Centers

TAKS – Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills

TAKS-A – Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills-Accommodated

TAKS-Alt – Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills-Alternate (Obsolete)

TAKS-M – Texas Assessment of Knowledge and Skills-Modified

TASB – Texas Association of School Boards

TBI – Traumatic Brain Injury

TBSI – Texas Behavior Supports Initiative

TCASE – Texas Council of Administrators of Special Education

TCIP – Texas Continuous Improvement Process

TELPAS – TX English Language Proficiency Assessment System

TEC – Texas Education Code

TEA - Texas Education Agency

TEKS – Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills

TETN – Texas Education Telecommunications Network

TMHP Texas Medicaid & Healthcare Partnership

TSBVI – Texas School for the Blind & Visually Impaired

TSD – Texas School for the Deaf

TYC – Texas Youth Commission

USDE – United States Department of Education

VI – Visual impairment

VR –Vocational rehabilitation