



## Acronym List

**AAC** – Alternative Augmentative Communication

**ABA** – Applied Behavior Analysis

**ADA** – Americans with Disabilities Act

**ADD** – Attention Deficit Disorder

**ADHD** – Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

**ADLs** – Activities of Daily Living

**APE** – Adaptive Physical Education

**APR** - Annual Performance Review

**ASD** – Autism Spectrum Disorder

**ASL** – American Sign Language

**AT** – Assistive Technology

**ATC** – Assistive Technology Center

**AYP** – Adequate Yearly Progress

**BD** – Behavior Disorder

**BI** – Brain Injury

**BIA** – Brain Injury Association OR Bureau of Indian Affairs

**BIP** – Behavior Intervention Plan

**BMP** – Behavior Management Plan

**CADRE** – The Center for Appropriate Dispute Resolution in Special Education

**CAP** – Client Assistance Program (DLC)

**CAP** - Corrective Action Plan

**CAPD** – Central Auditory Processing Disorder

**CD** – Communication Disorder

**CEC** – Council for Exceptional Children

**CF** – Cystic Fibrosis

**CHIP** - Children's Health Insurance Program

**CIE** - Competitive Integrated Employment

**CIL** – Centers for Independent Living

**COE** – Center for Expertise

**COLA** - Cost of Living Adjustment

**CP** – Cerebral Palsy

**CPD** – Center for Persons with Disabilities, Utah State University

**CPIR** - Center for Parent Information and Resources; TA Center for Parent Centers

**CSHCN** – Children with Special Health Care Needs, Utah Department of Health

**CWIC** - Community Work Incentives Coordinator

**DHH**– This is meant to be inclusive of all individuals who identify as deaf, Deaf, and hard of hearing individuals

**DB** – Deafblind

**DCFS** – Division of Child and Family Services

**DD** – Developmental Delay

**DD Act** – Developmental Disabilities Assistance and Bill of Rights Act

**DDS** – Division of Disability Determination Services

**D/HH** - Deaf/Hard of Hearing

**DHS** – Department of Human Services

**DI** – Direct Instruction

**DLC** – Disability Law Center

**DSAMH** - Utah Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health

**DOH** – Department of Health

**USOR** - Utah State Office of Rehabilitation

**DS** – Down Syndrome

**DSBVI** – Division of Services for the Blind and Visually Impaired

**DSDHH** – Division of Services for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

**DSM** – Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders by the American Psychiatric Association

**DSPD** – Division of Services for People with Disabilities

**DWS** – Department of Workforce Services

**EBD** – Emotional and Behavioral Disorders

**EC** – Early Childhood OR Exceptional Child [ren]

**ECE** – Early Childhood Education

**ED** – Emotional Disturbance

**EDGAR** – Education Department General Administrative Regulations

**EF** - Executive Function

**EHDI** - Early Hearing Detection and Intervention

**EI** – Early Intervention

**EN** - Employment Network

**EPSDT** – Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment

**ESSA** - Every Students Succeeds Act

**ESEA** – Elementary and Secondary Education Act

**ESL** – English as a Second Language

**ESY** – Extended School Year

**F2FHIC** – Family to Family Health Information Center,  
Family Voices/Utah Parent Center Project

**FAPE** – Free, Appropriate, Public Education

**FASD** – Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder

**FBA** – Functional Behavioral Assessment/Analysis

**FERPA** – Family Education Rights Privacy Act

**FFY** - Federal Fiscal Year

**FIOA** - Freedom of Information Act

**FLSA** – Fair Labor Standards Act

**FOIA** – Freedom of Information Act

**FtoFN** – Family to Family Network,  
A Program of the Utah Parent Center

**GCSSP** – Governor’s Coordination and Special Services Plan

**GE** – General Education, sometimes referred to as GenEd

**GT** – Gifted and Talented

**GRAMA** - The Government Records Access and Management Act



**HHS** - Health and Human Services

**HOH** – Hard of Hearing

**HS** – Head Start OR High School

**IA** – Instructional Assistant, sometimes referred to as a Para, or Paraprofessional

**IAES** – Interim Alternative Education Setting

**ICC** – Interagency Coordinating Council for Infants and Toddlers with Special Needs and Their Families

**ID** – Intellectual Disability

**IEE** – Independent Educational Evaluation

**IDEA 2004** – Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act; Reauthorized in 2004

**IEP** – Individualized Education Program

**IFSP** – Individualized Family Service Plan

**IHE** – Institution of Higher Education

**IL** – Independent Living

**ILC**- Independent Living Center

**IPE** – Individualized Plan for Employment

**IRWE** - Impairment-Related Work Expenses

**ISP** - Individualized Service Plan

**LCPD** – Legislative Coalition for People with Disabilities

**LD**– Learning Disability (sometimes called SLD see below)

**LDA** – Learning Disabilities Association

**LEA** – Local Education Agency

**LEP** – Limited English Proficiency

**LMHA** - Local Mental Health Authority

**LRBI** – Least Restrictive Behavioral Interventions

**LRE** – Least Restrictive Environment

**MCH** – Maternal and Child Health, Utah Department of Health

**MD** – Manifestation Determination

**MD** - Multiple Disabilities

**MD** - Muscular Dystrophy

**MH** – Mental Health

**MOA** – Memorandum of Agreement

**MPRRC** – Mountain Plains Regional Resource Center - Center for Inclusive Childcare

**MTSS** - Multi-tiered System of Supports

**NAMI** –National Alliance on Mental Illness

**NDT** – Neurodevelopmental Treatment

**NEA** – National Education Association

**OCD** – Obsessive Compulsive Disorder

**OCR** – Office of Civil Rights

**ODD** – Oppositional Defiant Disorder

**OHI** – Other Health Impairment

**OI** – Orthopedic Impairment

**O & M** – Orientation and Mobility

**OSEP** – Office of Special Education Programs, U.S. Department of Education

**OSERS** – Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services

**OT** – Occupational Therapy/Therapist

**PALS** – Peer-Assisted Learning System

**PASS** – Plan for Achieving Self-Support

**PBIS** – Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports

**PCA** – Personal Care Attendant

**PD** – Physical Disability

**PDD** – Pervasive Developmental Disorder

**PLAAFP**- Present Level of Academic Achievement and Functional Performance

**PP** – Paraprofessional

**PS** – Preschool

**PT** – Physical Therapy/Therapist

**PTI** – Parent Training and Information Center

**PWD** - Person with a disability

**RAD** – Reactive Attachment Disorder

**RSA** – Rehabilitation Services Administrator

**RTI** – Response to Intervention

**§** -This symbol means “Section” as in “§ 300.7 Child with a disability” in the IDEA regulations

**SAS** – Supplementary Aids and Services (in education)

**SAS** - Self-Administered Services (in DSPD)

**SB** – Spina Bifida

**SC** – Support Coordinator

**SEA** – State Education Agency

**USEAP** – Utah Special Education Advisory Panel

**SED** – Serious Emotional Disturbance

**SEIE** - Student Earned Income Exclusion

**SGA** - Substantial Gainful Activity

**SI**–Sensory Integration

**SI** - Speech Impairment

**SJBT** – Supported Job Based Training

**SIG** – State Improvement Grant

**SIP** – State Improvement Plan

**SL** - Supported Living

**SLD** – Specific Learning Disability

**S/LI** – Speech/Language Impairment

**SLP** – Speech/Language Pathologist


**POA** – Power of Attorney

**SPED** – Special Education

**SSA** – Social Security Administration

**SSDI**– Social Security Disability Income

**SSI** – Supplemental Security Income

**SSIP**- State Systemic Improvement Plan  
**SSP** – Supplemental Service Providers  
**STO** – Short-Term Objectives  
**TA** – Technical Assistance  
**TBI** – Traumatic Brain Injury  
**TDD** – Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf  
**TE** – Transitional Employment  
**TS** – Tourette Syndrome  
**TTA** – Training and Technical Assistance  
**TTY** – Teletypewriter (phone system for the deaf)  
**TWWIIA** – Ticket to Work and Work Incentives Improvement Act  
**UAA** – Utah Alternate Assessment  
**UATT** - Utah Assistive Technology Teams  
**UATP** – Utah Assistive Technology Program, Utah State University  
**UCAT** – Utah Center for Assistive Technology  
**UDDC** – Utah Developmental Disabilities Council  
**UFV** – Utah Family Voices, a project of the Utah Parent Center   
**UIP** – Utah Interpreter Program  
**UPC** – Utah Parent Center   
**UPIPS** – Utah Program Improvement Planning System for Special Education  
**USB** – Utah School for the Blind  
**USBE** - Utah State Board of Education  
**USD** – Utah School for the Deaf  
**USDB** – Utah Schools for the Deaf and the Blind  
**USIG** – Utah’s State Improvement Grant  
**USILC** – Utah Statewide Independent Living Council  
**USOR** – Utah State Office of Rehabilitation  
**USEAP** – Utah State Office of Education Special Education Advisory Panel  
**UWIPS** - Utah Work Incentives Planning Services

**VI** – Visual Impairment

**Voc Ed** – Vocational Education

**VR** – Vocational Rehabilitation

**WIOA** - Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act

**WIPA** - Work incentives Planning and Assistance

*This list was compiled from lists created by the Utah Parent Center in 2001, Families and Advocates Partnership for Education (FAPE), Acronyms and Special Education Handout, April 2001, and the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC). Two of these very comprehensive lists can be accessed online at [Acronyms from eric.ec.org](http://Acronyms.from.eric.ec.org) and [FAPE information from fape.org](http://FAPE.information.from.fape.org).*

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