

Educational Acronyms

A

AACTE – American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education
AASA – American Association of School Administrators
ACA – American Counseling Association
ACE – American Council on Education
ACPE –Atlanta Committee for Public Education
ACT – American College Testing
ADA – Americans with Disabilities Act
ADD – Attention Deficit Disorder
ADHD – Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
AECT – Association for Educational Communications and Technology
AFDC – Aid to Families with Dependent Children
AFT – American Federation of Teachers
AIP – Academic Improvement Plan
AP – Advanced Placement
APS – Atlanta Public Schools
ARCHE – Atlanta Regional Consortium for Higher Education
ASCA – American School Counselor Association
ASCD – Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
ASL – American Sign Language
ASP – After School Program
AYP – Adequate Yearly Progress

B

BCER – Business Coalition for Education Reform
BD – Behavior Disorder
BEOG – Basic Education Opportunity Grant
BLT – Basic Literacy Test
BOE – Board of Education
BST – Basic Skills Test

C

CACREP – Council on Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs
CAP – Corrective Action Plan
CBA – Curriculum Based Assessment

CBE – Community-based Education
CCSSO – Council of Chief State School Officers
CDA – Child Development Associate
CES – Comprehensive Evaluation System
CEU – Continuing Education Unit
CEISMC – Center for Education Integrating Science, Mathematics and Computing at Georgia
Institute of Technology
CIS – Communities in Schools
CPIR – Certified Personnel Information Report
CRCT – Criterion-Referenced Competency Test
CSP – Council for School Performance
CSRD – Comprehensive School Reform Demonstration
CSSO – Chief State School Officer
CYCC – Children and Youth Coordinating Council

D

DFACS – Department of Family and Children Services
DOE – Department of Education
DHR – Department of Human Resources
DJJ – Department of Juvenile Justice
DTAE – Department of Technical and Adult Education

E

EBD – Emotional and Behavioral Disorder
ECC – Education Coordinating Council
ECE – Early Childhood Education
ECS – Education Commission of the States
EHA – Education for Handicapped Children Act
EIP – Early Intervention Program
ELC – Education Leaders Council
EOCT – End-of-Course Test
ERIC – Education Resources Information Center
ESEA – Elementary and Secondary Education Act
ESOL – English to Speakers of Other Languages
ESP – Education Support Personnel
ETS – Educational Testing Service

F

FAPE – Free and Appropriate Public Education
FERPA – Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
FTE – Full-time Equivalent
FY – Fiscal Year

G

GACE – Georgia Advisory Council on Education
GACES – Georgia Association for Counselor Education and Supervision
GACIS – Georgia Association of Curriculum and Instructional Supervisors
GACCE – Georgia Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives
GACTE – Georgia Association of Colleges of Teacher Educators
GaDOE – Georgia Department of Education
GAE – Georgia Association of Educators
GAEA – Georgia Art Education Association
GAEL – Georgia Association of Educational Leaders
GAESP – Georgia Association of Elementary School Principals
GAICTE – Georgia Association of Independent Colleges of Teacher Education
GAMEIS – Georgia Association of Managers of Educational Information Systems
GAMSP – Georgia Association of Middle School Principals
GaPIE – Georgia Association of Partners in Education
GASBO – Georgia Association of School Business Officials
GASCD – Georgia Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development
GASP – Georgia Association of School Psychologists
GASSP – Georgia Association of Secondary School Principals
GAYRE – Georgia Association for Year-Round Schools
GCATT – Georgia Center for Advanced Telecommunications Technology
GCSTME – Georgia Coalition for Science, Technology and Mathematics Education
GCTM – Georgia Council of Teachers of Mathematics
GDITT – Georgia Department of Industry, Trade and Tourism
GDPS – Georgia Department of Public Safety
GED – General Education Development (Diploma)
GELI – Georgia Early Learning Initiative
GERA – Georgia Educational Research Association
GERSC – Governor’s Education Reform Student Commission
GFIE – Georgia Foundation for the Improvement of Education
GHEA – Georgia Home Education Association
GHP – Governor’s Honors Program
GHSA – Georgia High School Association
GHS GT – Georgia High School Graduation Test
GHS WT – Georgia High School Writing Test
G-KAP-R – Georgia Kindergarten Assessment Program – Revised
GIMS – Georgia Initiative in Math and Science
GITEA – Georgia Industrial Technology Education Association
GKAP – Georgia Kindergarten Assessment Program
GLC – Georgia Learning Connections
GLRS – Georgia Learning Resources System
GMEA – Georgia Music Educators Association
GMSA – Georgia Middle School Association
GPA – Grade Point Average
GPB – Georgia Public Broadcasting
GPEE – Georgia Partnership for Excellence in Education
GPPF – Georgia Public Policy Foundation

GSAMS – Georgia Statewide Academic and Medical System
GSBA – Georgia School Boards Association
GSCA – Georgia School Counselors Association
GSCI – Georgia School Council Institute
GSDC – Georgia Staff Development Council
GSEI – Georgia Superintendent Evaluation Instrument
GSFC – Georgia Student Finance Commission
GSFSA – Georgia School Food Service Association
GSPRA – Georgia School Public Relations Association
GSSA – Georgia School Superintendents Association
GTAPP – Georgia Teacher Alternative Preparation Program
GTEP – Georgia Teachers Evaluation Program
GTFC – Georgia Teaching Force Center
GTOI – Georgia Teachers Observation Instrument
GVA – Georgia Vocational Association
GYSTC – Georgia Youth Science and Technology Center

H

H/H – Hospital/Homebound
HEA – Higher Education Act
HEIR – Home Education Information Resource
HOA – Hands On Atlanta
HOPE – Helping Outstanding Pupils Educationally
HOTS – Higher Order Thinking Skills

I

IB – International Baccalaureate
IDEA – Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
IEP – Individualized Education Plan
INTASC - Interstate New Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium
IQ – Intelligence Quotient
ISS – In-school Suspension
ITBS – Iowa Test of Basic Skills
IU – Instructional Unit

K

K - Kindergarten
K-12 – Kindergarten through Grade 12
KIPP – Knowledge is Power Program

L

LD – Learning Disability
LEA – Local Education Agency
LEP – Limited English Proficient
LRE – Least Restrictive Environment

M

MAPMIS – Metro Area Plus Managers of Information Systems
MCR – Modified Compliance Review
MGWA – Middle Grades Writing Assessment
MIMH – Mildly Mentally Handicapped
MOMH – Moderately Mentally Handicapped

N

NAEP – National Assessment of Educational Progress (National Report Card)
NAES – National Alliance for Effective Schools
NAESP – National Association of Elementary School Principals
NASBE – National Association of State Boards of Education
NASDC – New American Schools Development Corporation
NASSP – National Association of Secondary School Principals
NBC – National Board Certification
NBCC – National Board for Certified Counselors
NBPTS – National Board of Professional Teaching Standards
NCATE – National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education
NCES – National Center for Education Statistics
NCLB – No Child Left Behind Act
NCTQ – National Council on Teacher Quality
NEA – National Education Association
NEGP – National Education Goals Panel
NGA – National Governor’s Association
NGSP – Next Generation Schools Project
NICHD – National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
NIH – National Institutes of Health
NRT – Norm-Referenced Test
NSBA – National School Boards Association
NSF – National Science Foundation
NSPRA – National School Public Relations Association
NTE – National Teachers’ Examination

O

O.C.G.A. – Official Code of Georgia
OEA – Office of Education Accountability
OERI – Office of Educational Research and Improvement, U.S. Department of Education
OSR – Office of School Readiness
OSS – Out-Of-School Suspension

P

PAGE – Professional Association of Georgia Educators
PDP – Professional Development Plan
PDK – Phi Delta Kappa
PEC – Program for Exceptional Children
PFP – Pay for Performance
PPC – Professional Practices Commission
Pre-K – Pre-Kindergarten
PSAT – Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test
PSC – Professional Standards Commission
PSO – Postsecondary Options Program
PTA – Parent Teacher Association
PTO – Parent Teacher Organization
PTSA – Parent Teacher Student Association
PTSO – Parent Teacher Student Organization

Q

QBE – Quality Basic Education
QCC – Quality Core Curriculum

R

RBOC – Regional Educational Service Agency Board of Control
REP – Regional Education Program
RESA – Regional Educational Service Agency
RYDC – Regional Youth Detention Center

S

SACS – Southern Association of Colleges and Schools
SAP – Student Assistance Program
SAPA – Student Assistance Professionals Association
SAT – Scholastic Assessment Test
SAYRE – Southeastern Association for Year-Round Education
SBD – Severe Behavior Disorder
SBOE – State Board of Education

SCANS - Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills
SDRC – State Data and Research Center
SDU – Staff Development Unit
SED – Serious Emotional Disturbance
SEDL – Southwest Educational Development Laboratory
SEF – Southern Education Foundation
SERVE – Southeastern Regional Vision for Education
SFA – Success for All (Reading program)
SIA – Special Instructional Assistance
SIS – Student Information System
SLEP – Secondary Level English Proficiency Test
SLP – School Lunch Program
SMCP – System Media Contact Person
SOE – School of Excellence
SPAI – Speech Pathologist Assessment Instrument
SREB – Southern Regional Education Board
SRC – Southern Regional Council
SRO – School Resource Officer
SSS – Student Support Service
SST – Student Support Team
SSW – School Social Worker
STW – School-to-Work
SYDC – State Youth Development Campus

T

TAP – Test of Achievement and Proficiency
TCT – Teacher Certification Test
TESOL –Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages
TFA – Teach for America
TIMSS – Third International Math and Science Study
TOEFL – Test of English as a Foreign Language
TOTY – Teachers of the Year
TRSGA – Teachers Retirement System of Georgia
TSS – Teacher Support Specialist

Y

YMCA – Young Men’s Christian Association
YWCA – Young Women’s Christian Association