

Appendix D: List of Education Acronyms

504:	Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 is a civil rights statute which prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities. A 504 plan is an individual education plan for a special-needs student.
ABE:	Adult Basic Education
ACT:	Prior to 1996, known as the American College Testing Program. ACT offers a college level assessment test.
ACCESS:	An annual English Language Proficiency test
ADA:	American with Disabilities Act
AP:	Advanced Placement
AYP:	Adequate Yearly Progress
DIP:	District Improvement Plan
ESEA:	Elementary and Secondary Education Act
ERIC:	Education Resources Information Center. Funded by the U.S. Department of Education “to provide access to education literature and resources.”
ESL:	English as a Second Language. Student’s native language is not English.
ESOL:	English Speakers of Other Languages
ETS:	Educational Testing Service
FAPE:	Free Appropriate Public Education
FERPA:	Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act
FTE:	Full-time Equivalency Student. Student enrollment.
GED:	General Education Development Test. (A GED Diploma may be granted if the individual passes the GED Test.)
GRE:	Graduate Record Examination
GT:	Gifted and Talented
IAA:	Illinois Alternate Assessment, used to measure the learning of students with the most significant cognitive disabilities

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IATD:	Illinois Association of Title I Directors
ICEPT:	Illinois Consumer Education Proficiency Test, discontinued as of July 2010
IDEA:	Individuals with Disabilities Education Act.
IEP:	Individualized Education Plan. A legal document required for ESE students.
IFSP:	Individualized Family Service Plan
IIRC:	Illinois Interactive Report Card
ISAT:	Illinois Standards Achievement Test, used in grades 3-8
IWAS:	ISBE Web Application Security (egrants and other reports)
LEA:	Local Education Agency
LRE:	Least-Restrictive Environment
NCLB:	No Child Left Behind, current version of ESEA
NAEP:	National Assessment of Educational Progress
PSAE:	Prairie State Achievement Exam, used in grade 11
SAT:	Scholastic Aptitude Test. Administered by the College Board
SAT-9:	Stanford 9 Achievement Test
SEA:	State Education Agency
SIP:	School Improvement Plan
SES:	Supplemental Educational Services
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