



Tips for Home or School

Alphabet Soup

Acronyms Commonly Used in Special Education



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Agencies / Organizations

CBS	Children's Behavioral Services	NFADB	National Family Association for Deaf-Blind
CEC	Council for Exceptional Children	NNCIL	Northern Nevada Center for Independent Living
DB-Link	National Information Clearinghouse on Children who are Deaf-Blind	NTAC	National Technical Assistance Consortium for Children and Youth with Deafblindness
DRC	Desert Regional Center	NSETAP	Nevada Special Education Technology Assistance Project
HKNC	Helen Keller National Center	NV PEP	Nevada Parents Encouraging Parents
ICC	Interagency Coordinating Council	OSEP	Office of Special Education Programs (U.S. Dept. of Education)
NDALC	Nevada Disability Advocacy & Law Center	RRC	Rural Regional Center
NDOE	Nevada Department of Education	SNCIL	Southern Nevada Center for Independent Living
NEC*TAS	National Early Childhood Technical Assistance System	SRC	Sierra Regional Center
NEIS	Nevada Early Intervention Services	WRRC	Western Regional Resource Center

Common Terminology

AAC	Augmentative and Alternative Communication	IEP	Individualized Educational Plan
ADD	Attention Deficit Disorder	IFSP	Individualized Family Service Plan
ADHD	Attention Deficit Hyperactive Disorder	LD	Learning Disabled
APE	Adapted Physical Education	LEA	Local Education Agency
AT	Assistive Technology	MH	Multiply Handicapped
BD	Behavior Disorder	MR	Mental Retardation
BIP	Behavior Intervention Plan	NASSA	Nevada Alternate Scale of Academic Achievement
CNS	Central Nervous System	OT	Occupational Therapy or Occupational Therapist
CVI	Cortical Vision Impairment	PBS	Positive Behavior Support
DB	Deafblind	PLOP	Present Levels of Performance
DD	Developmentally Delayed	PT	Physical Therapy or Physical Therapist
ECSE	Early Childhood Special Education	SED	Severely Emotionally Disturbed
EI	Early Intervention	SLP	Speech and Language Pathologist
ESL	English as a Second Language	TA	Technical Assistance
FBA	Functional Behavioral Assessment	TBI	Traumatic Brain Injury
HI / HH	Hearing Impaired / Hard of Hearing	VI	Visually Impaired

Laws / Regulations

ADA	Americans With Disabilities Act	NCLB	No Child Left Behind
IDEA	Individuals With Disabilities Education Act	NAC	Nevada Administrative Code
		NRS	Nevada Revised Statutes

