

## **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  
AFT – American Federation of Teachers  
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  
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  
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  
GHSGT – Georgia High School Graduation Test  
GHSWT – 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  
GPPE – 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

## **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