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
GASCED – 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
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
NEG – 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
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Acronym</th>
<th>Description</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>O.C.G.A.</td>
<td>Official Code of Georgia</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OEA</td>
<td>Office of Education Accountability</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OERI</td>
<td>Office of Educational Research and Improvement, U.S. Department of Education</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OSR</td>
<td>Office of School Readiness</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>OSS</td>
<td>Out-Of-School Suspension</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PAGE</td>
<td>Professional Association of Georgia Educators</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PDP</td>
<td>Professional Development Plan</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PDK</td>
<td>Phi Delta Kappa</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PEC</td>
<td>Program for Exceptional Children</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PFP</td>
<td>Pay for Performance</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PPC</td>
<td>Professional Practices Commission</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Pre-K</td>
<td>Pre-Kindergarten</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PSAT</td>
<td>Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PSC</td>
<td>Professional Standards Commission</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PSO</td>
<td>Postsecondary Options Program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PTA</td>
<td>Parent Teacher Association</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PTO</td>
<td>Parent Teacher Organization</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>PTSA</td>
<td>Parent-Teacher-Student Association</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>QBE</td>
<td>Quality Basic Education</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>QCC</td>
<td>Quality Core Curriculum</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RBOC</td>
<td>Regional Educational Service Agency Board of Control</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>REP</td>
<td>Regional Education Program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RESA</td>
<td>Regional Educational Service Agency</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>RYDC</td>
<td>Regional Youth Detention Center</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SACS</td>
<td>Southern Association of Colleges and Schools</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SAP</td>
<td>Student Assistance Program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SAPA</td>
<td>Student Assistance Professionals Association</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SAT</td>
<td>Scholastic Assessment Test</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Acronym</td>
<td>Full Form</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>--------</td>
<td>-----------</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SAYRE</td>
<td>Southeastern Association for Year-Round Education</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SBD</td>
<td>Severe Behavior Disorder</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SBOE</td>
<td>State Board of Education</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SCANS</td>
<td>Secretary's Commission on Achieving Necessary Skills</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SDRC</td>
<td>State Data and Research Center</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SDU</td>
<td>Staff Development Unit</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SED</td>
<td>Serious Emotional Disturbance</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SEDL</td>
<td>Southwest Educational Development Laboratory</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SEF</td>
<td>Southern Education Foundation</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SERVE</td>
<td>Southeastern Regional Vision for Education</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SFA</td>
<td>Success for All (Reading program)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIA</td>
<td>Special Instructional Assistance</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SIS</td>
<td>Student Information System</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SLEP</td>
<td>Secondary Level English Proficiency Test</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SLP</td>
<td>School Lunch Program</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SMCP</td>
<td>System Media Contact Person</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SOE</td>
<td>School of Excellence</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SPAI</td>
<td>Speech Pathologist Assessment Instrument</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SREB</td>
<td>Southern Regional Education Board</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SRC</td>
<td>Southern Regional Council</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SRO</td>
<td>School Resource Officer</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SSS</td>
<td>Student Support Service</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SST</td>
<td>Student Support Team</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SSW</td>
<td>School Social Worker</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>STW</td>
<td>School-to-Work</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SYDC</td>
<td>State Youth Development Campus</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**T**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Acronym</th>
<th>Full Form</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>TAP</td>
<td>Test of Achievement and Proficiency</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TCT</td>
<td>Teacher Certification Test</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TESOL</td>
<td>Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TFA</td>
<td>Teach for America</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TIMSS</td>
<td>Third International Math and Science Study</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOEFL</td>
<td>Test of English as a Foreign Language</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOTY</td>
<td>Teachers of the Year</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TRSGA</td>
<td>Teachers Retirement System of Georgia</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TSS</td>
<td>Teacher Support Specialist</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Y**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Acronym</th>
<th>Full Form</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>YMCA</td>
<td>Young Men’s Christian Association</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>YWCA</td>
<td>Young Women’s Christian Association</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>