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A guide to the alphabet soup of education, accommodation and regulation

Here are 23 acronyms that are commonly used when discussing legal requirements for the education of children with disabilities. This list is brought to you by Technical Assistance for Excellence in Special Education, a division of the Center for Persons with Disabilities. ADA=Americans with Disabilities Act APR=Annual Performance Report ESEA=Elementary Secondary Education Act ESSA=Every Students Succeeds Act FERPA=Family Education Rights and Privacy Act IDEA=Individuals with Disabilities Education Act IEP=Individual Education Program IFSP=Individual Family Service Plan LA=Lead Agency LEA=Local Education Agency LRE=Least Restrictive Environment OSEP=Office of Special Education Programs Part B=IDEA, School Age Part C=Birth-2 year olds RDA=Results Driven Accountability SEA=State Education Agency SEAP=Special Education Advisory Panel Section 504/ADA=Civil Rights based on disability Section 618=Data Requirements Section 619=3-5 year olds SPP=State Performance Plan SIMR=State Identified Measurable Result SSIP=State Systemic Improvement Plan