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General Terms

504: 504 plan as mandated by Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act

AAC: Augmentative and Alternative Communication

ABA: Applied Behavioral Analysis

BAS: Benchmark Assessment System

BCBA: Board Certified Behavior Analyst

BIP: Behavioral Intervention Plan

CBM: Classroom-Based Measure

CCSS: Common Core State Standards

DIBELS: Dynamic Indicators of Basic English Literacy Skills

DT: Developmental therapy

ECSE: Early Childhood Special Education

ED: Emotional Disability

EE: Educational Environment

EI: Early Intervention

EL/ELL: English Learner or English Language Learner

ESY: Extended School Year

F&P: Fountas & Pinnell reading assessments and intervention

FBA: Functional Behavioral Assessment

FAPE: Free Appropriate Public Education

IB: International Baccalaureate

IDEA: Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

IEP: Individualized Education Plan

LCSW: Licensed clinical social worker

LEA: Local Educational Agency (agent attending a meeting to represent the school district)

LLI: Leveled Literacy Intervention

LRE: Least Restrictive Environment

MPW: Minutes per Week

MTSS: Multi-Tiered System of Support

NWEA MAP: Northwest Evaluation Association Measures of Academic Progress standardized assessment

OT: Occupational therapy/therapist

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PBIS: Positive Behavior Intervention System

PT: Physical therapy/therapist

RBT: Registered Behavior Therapist

RTI: Response to Intervention

SEL: Social and Emotional Learning

SLD: Specific Learning Disability

SLP: Speech/language pathologist

SpEd: Special education

SSDI: Social Security Disability Income

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SW: Social work

TPBA: Transdisciplinary Play-Based Assessment

Illinois and Chicago Specific Terms

CPS: Chicago Public Schools

DCFS: Department of Child and Family Services

DLM: Dynamic Learning Maps (an assessment sometimes done instead of IAR for students in special education)

DRS: Division of Rehabilitative Services (part of IDHS)

IAR: Illinois Assessment of Readiness

IDHS: Illinois Department of Human Services

ILS: Illinois Learning Standards

ISBE: Illinois State Board of Education

ISTAR: IEP Special Education Tracking and Reporting System (yes, that is an acronym inside an acronym)

ODLSS: Office of Diverse Learner Supports and Services

PAS: Pre-Admission Screening

PUNS: Prioritization for Urgency of Need for Services