

A Short List of Utah Public Education Terms

ESEA- Elementary and Secondary Education Act (1965: Pres. Johnson's "War on Poverty" funds primary and secondary education.)

NCLB- No Child Left Behind (2001: Pres. George W. Bush's reauthorization of ESEA. Required testing student in reading and math in grades 3-8 and once in high school, increased funding for poor school districts and higher achievement for poor and minority students, higher levels of school accountability.)

ESSA- Every Student Succeeds Act (2015: Pres. Obama's reauthorization of ESEA. Required States to create their own plans for standards, accountability, testing, supporting struggling schools, and state and local rating systems within a federal framework.)

Title- Specific sections of federal education law. (ESSA contains 9 Titles)

FERPA- Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 (Protects the privacy of student education records)

USDOE- U.S. Department of Education (federal assistance, collect data, and enforce educational laws regarding privacy and civil rights.)

USBE- Utah State Board of Education (Sets state policy regarding assessment, accountability, standards, & funding)

COBI- Compendium of Budget Information (Details of Utah's budget and related financial authorizations.)

Utah Core- Utah Core Standards represent the standards of learning that are essential for all students.

WPU- Weighted Pupil Unit (A common factor used to determine the cost of a program on a uniform basis.)

AAPAC- Assessment and Accountability Policy Advisory Committee (Reviews current assessment and accountability policies and implementation decisions)

CAT- Computer Adaptive Test (Required by 2012 Utah law) Test items are selected by the computer to match the ability level of each student. "Tailored testing"

LEA- Local Education Agency (School district or charter school)

PLC- Professional Learning Community (a group of educators that work together to improve teaching skills and the academic performance of students)

CCRP- College and Career Readiness Plan (personalized plan for each student for college and career preparation)

CAFR- Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (required by the State Treasurer. Compiled by school districts to highlight annual budgets and expenditures)

CTE- Career and Technical Education (career focused programs that result in attainment of credentials)

SPED- Special Education (Defined and regulated by IDEA, special education refers to a range of services provided to children with specific disabilities, ages 3-21, for educational purposes)

504- Section 504 of the Americans Disabilities Act (Prohibits discrimination based upon disability. A plan created for "a student with an impairment that results in limitations of one or more major life activities".)

IEP- Individualized Educational Program (Plan for a student with one or more of 13 specific disabilities listed in IDEA. Disability must affect the child's educational performance and ability to learn)

IDEA - Individuals with Disabilities Education Act- Federal legislation that ensures students with disabilities are provided with Free Appropriate Public Education (FAPE)

ELL- English Language Learner (any students who are not native speakers but are currently learning how to speak English)

ESL- English as a Second Language (process for non-native speakers to learn English)

SCC- School Community Council (An advisory body consisting of the principal, elected school employees and parents who determine the best use of the Trust Funds at their individual schools. DISBURSEMENT

SITLA- Utah School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (manages the 3.3 million acre land portfolio for public schools, generating revenues through oil, gas, and mineral leases, rents, royalties, real estate development, and sales) MANAGEMENT

SITFO- Utah School and Institutional Trust Funds Office (invests the Permanent School Fund) **INVESTMENT LAND-** Learning and Nurturing Development (The School LAND Trust Program creates an endowment for education from parcels of land granted to Utah at the time of statehood. Consists of SITLA, SITFO, the School Children's Trust Office (ALLOCATION) and SCCs)

SIP- School Improvement Plan (Part of Utah Law, the school community council shall annually evaluate the school's statewide achievement test results, reading achievement plan, class size reduction needs, and technology needs, and use the evaluations in developing a school improvement plan to improve teaching and learning conditions)