

## Education Acronyms Glossary

Abbreviation	Term	Definition
AIG	Academically and/or Intellectually Gifted	Academically or intellectually gifted students perform or show the potential to perform at substantially high levels of accomplishment when compared with others of their age, experience, or environment.
AP	Advanced Placement	College-level courses that can be taken in high school. Courses are overseen by the College Board.
BOE	Board of Education	Locally elected board that makes decisions regarding the local system of schools
CDM	Credit by Demonstrated Mastery	Pathway by which students may earn credit for select high school courses without having to complete the seat time requirements by demonstrating mastery of the material
CEU	Continuing Education Unit	Requirements for continued learning by teachers
CGI	Cognitively Guided Instruction	A type of math instruction that guides students through the math learning process while making connections to the real world
CogAT	Cognitive Abilities Test	A group administered aptitude test measuring verbal, quantitative, and nonverbal reasoning
CTE	Career and Technical Education	Courses in trade and technical fields
DCR	Data Collection Record	Documentation of data collected for the AIG identification process
DEP	Differentiated Education Plan	Documentation of AIG services a student will receive, updated annually
EC	Exceptional Children	The department that coordinates and provides services to children with special learning needs
ELA	English Language Arts	Study of the English language, reading, writing, speaking, and listening
ELL	English Language Learners	Students who are learning to speak, read, and write the English language
EOC	End of Course testing	Tests that occur at the end of designated high school level courses
EOG	End of Grade Testing	Tests that occur in reading and math in grades 3-8, and in science in grades 5 and 8
EVAAS	Education Value-Added Assessment System	System that measures student growth on EOG and EOC tests to inform district, school and teacher accountability
IB	International Baccalaureate	Diploma program available to high school juniors and seniors, offers college-level work. Program is overseen by the International Baccalaureate organization
IEP	Individual Education Plan	Plan of accommodations, modifications, and differentiated curriculum and instruction for students receiving EC services, updated annually
IHE	Institution of Higher Education	Post-secondary education, including community colleges, public and private colleges and universities

LEA	Local Education Agency	The local school district or system
MLL	Multilingual Learner	Students who are developing proficiency in multiple languages. This includes students learning English as an additional language in school (often referred to as "English learners" or "English language learners").
NCDPI	NC Department of Instruction	The state body that oversees education policy and standards
NCSCOS	North Carolina Standard Course of Study	The required sequence of courses in NC public schools that lead to a high school diploma
NCVPS	NC Virtual Public School	A public online school offering middle and high school courses
NDT	Needs Determination Team	The school-based team that reviews student profiles to determine if students meet the criteria to be identified as gifted
PD	Professional Development	Ongoing learning for teachers
PETS	Primary Education Thinking Skills	A research-based higher order thinking skills curriculum for young students
PLC	Professional Learning Community	A group of teachers engaging in learning around professional topics together
Pre-ACT	Pre-ACT (Formerly American College Test)	A nationally-normed, standardized achievement test given to 10th graders
SBE	State Board of Education	The state level Board of Education that oversees policy and standards
SEL	Social-Emotional Learning	The process of developing the self-awareness, self-control, and interpersonal skills that are vital for school, work, and life success.
SST	Student Support Team	The school-based team for students who are experiencing significant challenges in schools