

Commonly used in discussions regarding **GENERAL EDUCATION TOPICS:**

BCSB: Buckeye Charter School Boards, Inc. – Statewide member organization dedicated to increasing the knowledge, skills and effectiveness of Ohio’s charter school boards

CCIP: Comprehensive Continuous Improvement Plan – Web-based planning and grants management tool used to apply for and manage federal and state education funds

CMO: Charter Management Organization – Non-profit management company or operator contracted by governing boards to run day-to-day school operations

EMO: Educational Management Organization – For-profit management company or operator contracted by governing boards to run day-to-day school operations

ESC: Educational Service Center – Public entity that provides professional development, technology, support, planning and administrative services to school districts

ESEA: Elementary and Secondary Education Act – Federal legislation first passed in 1965 and reauthorized most recently under the Every Student Succeeds Act

ESP: Education Service Providers – For-profit or not-for-profit management organizations that contract with schools to help implement comprehensive reforms

ESSA: Every Student Succeeds Act – Bi-partisan legislation reauthorizing the 50-year-old Elementary and Secondary Education Act, the nation’s national education law and longstanding commitment to equal opportunity for all students

IRN: Information Retrieval Number – A unique six-digit identification number for each public school building, used to assign student data to schools as part of Ohio’s accountability system

LEA: Local Education Authority – Public board of education or other public entity that provides administrative control, direction or service functions for Ohio K-12 public schools

MCOECN: The Management Council of the Ohio Education Computer Network – With Ohio’s Information Technology Centers, provides connectivity, support, software, and digital resources (through INFOhio) to Ohio’s PreK-12 schools

OACSA: Ohio Association of Charter School Authorizers – Statewide member organization dedicated to authorizer/sponsor excellence, effectiveness and efficiency and quality school oversight and support

OIP: Ohio Improvement Process – Ohio’s strategy for ensuring a systematic and coherent approach for building the capacity of all districts and schools to make and sustain significant improvement in student performance

ODE: Ohio Department of Education – State agency, reporting to the Ohio State Board of Education, responsible for primary and secondary public education in Ohio

OEDS-R: Ohio Educational Directory System Redesigned – Decentralized data system in which entities that do business with the Ohio Department of Education (public schools and districts, joint vocational schools, charter schools, educational service center, etc.) maintain various data

OPES 2.0: Ohio Principal Evaluation System – Ohio’s system for evaluating principals which focuses on specific strengths and opportunities for improvement

OTES 2.0: Ohio Teacher Evaluation System – A professional growth model intended to be used to continually assist educators in enhancing student performance

SOES: School Options Enrollment System – An online application used by Ohio charter schools to determine student enrollment and residency; system allows districts to review charter student data to verify or dispute residency

SSID: Statewide Student Identifier – A system that assigns a unique identification number to each K-12 student designed to monitor academic performance and mobility while ensuring confidentiality of student information

USDOE: U.S. Department of Education – National agency responsible for education



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Education Acronym Guide

Commonly used in discussions regarding **ACADEMICS:**

ELA: English Language Arts— Classroom instruction in Reading, Writing, Listening and Speaking

ELL: English Language Learners – Students who are unable to communicate fluently or learn effectively in English

ESL: English as a Second Language

IEP: Individualized Education Plan – A written plan or program developed to ensure that a student who has a disability identified under the law receives specialized instruction and related services

LRC: Local report card – Reports issued for schools and districts by the Ohio Department of Education reflecting school students' performance

OLS: Ohio Learning Standards – The knowledge and skills Ohio students in pre-kindergarten through grade 12 must achieve

PI: Performance Index – A measure of student performance that factors into the Achievement Component of district and school local report cards

RTI: Response to Intervention – A framework used to identify and support students with unique learning and behavioral needs

SPED: Special Education – Programs designed for students who are mentally, physically, socially and/or emotionally delayed

TGRG: Third Grade Reading Guarantee – A program to identify students from kindergarten through grade 3 who are behind in reading.

Value-Added: Student Growth Measure – Metric used to measure the impact schools and teachers have on students' academic progress rates from year to year

Commonly used in discussions regarding **HIGH SCHOOLS:**

CTE: Career Technical Education— provides students of all ages with academic and technical skills, knowledge and training to succeed in future careers

Drop Out Recovery: intended to assist and re-enroll dropouts in school to complete their high school diploma

EOC: End Of Course – Seven assessments (Algebra I and geometry or integrated math I and II; biology (or physical science for the class of 2018 only); American history and American government; and English I and II) for which students must earn a minimum of 18 points (out of 35) as a requirement for graduation

OGT: Ohio Graduation Test – Five-part assessment (reading, math, writing, science and social studies) students must pass in order to receive a high school diploma; under current law students who first enrolled in grade 9 before July 1, 2014 must pass the OGT to earn a diploma

BCSB Mission:

Increasing the knowledge, skills, and effectiveness of Ohio Charter School Boards.



Commonly used in discussions regarding **SCHOOL FINANCE:**

CARES Act: Coronavirus Aid, Relief and Economic Security Act – Funding provided to Ohio schools and districts as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic

CRF: Coronavirus Relief Fund – Another funding provided to Ohio schools and districts as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic

EMIS: Education Management Information System – Ohio's statewide data collection system for staff, student, school and financial data used for state/federal reporting, funding and accountability

ESSER FUND: Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund – The Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 was signed into law on December 27, 2020 which provides Ohio with additional federal funds

FTE: Full-Time Equivalent – Basis for state funding based on student participation (with students enrolled for less than a full school day reported for the percent of time in which they participated)

GEER: Governor's Emergency Education Relief – \$2.85 million in federal funding to improve the number of Ohio students who complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid through intervention, data systems updates and professional development

Title Funds: Federal funding to primary and secondary schools serving high percentages of economically disadvantaged students

Commonly used in discussions regarding **ASSESSMENTS:**

AIR: American Institutes for Research – Developer of the state assessments in English language arts, mathematics, science and social studies for students in grades 3-8

iReady: Diagnostic assessment that offers a complete picture of student performance and growth

KRA-R: Kindergarten Readiness Assessment Revised— Required assessment used to assess found areas of early learning: social foundations; mathematics; language and literacy; and, physical well-being and motor development

NWEA: Northwest Evaluation Association – A global non-profit educational services organization best known for its interim assessment, Measure of Academic Progress (MAP)

OELPA: Ohio English Language Proficiency Assessment – for ELL students

STAR Reading and Math: Assessments typically used to screen students for reading and math achievement levels

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