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a word (as NATO or radar) formed from the initial letter or letters of each of the successive parts or major parts of a compound term; also, an abbreviation (e.g., FBI) formed from initial letters

VALUES

Learning
Respect
Relationships
Excellence
Equity

VISION

Future Ready

All students will graduate ready to thrive in a changing world—with the knowledge, skills, and confidence necessary to lead, adapt, and make a positive impact in their communities and beyond.

MISSION

To Unleash Potential

All students will receive a solid academic foundation, grounded in strong critical thinking skills, with opportunities to enhance and enrich their learning. All students will develop resilience, be adaptable, and have a lifelong passion for learning. All students will become effective communicators and collaborators predicated on meaningful relationships. All students will make a positive impact in their community and be ready for success in their personal and professional life.

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Acronyms are abbreviations that can be pronounced as words. *For example: ACT-SO (Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological, and Scientific Olympics), BRAC (Base Realignment and Closure), and COSA (Change of School Assignment).*

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A

AA Administrative Assistant

Appropriate Action

AAAS American Association for the Advancement of Science

AACC Assessment and Accountability Comprehensive Center

AAHPERD American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance

AAP/CEC African American Parents/Community Education Consortium

AAS Academic achievement specialist

AASA American Association of School Administrators

AASAAG African American Student Achievement Action Group

AASL American Association of School Librarians

AASPA American Association of School Personnel Administrators

AAUW American Association of University Women

ABE Adult Basic Education

ACA American Counselors Association

ACB American Council of the Blind

ACCESS Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English State to State

ACCG Advisory Committee on Counseling and Guidance

ACE Adverse Childhood Experiences

ACEI Association for Childhood Education International

ACES Achieving Collegiate Excellence and Success

ACET Alternative Certification for Effective Teaching

ACF Administration for Children and Families

ACS Access Control System

ACSP Auditory communications specialist

ACTFL American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages

ACT-SO Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological, and Scientific Olympics

AD Active Directory

Athletic director

ADA *Americans with Disabilities Act* of 1990

ADD Attention Deficit Disorder

ADFS Active Directory Federation Services

ADHD Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

AD/LDS Active Directory/Lightweight Directory Services

ADM Amplify Desmos Mathematics

ADR Alternative Dispute Resolution

AECT Association for Educational Communications and Technology

AED Automated external defibrillator

AEI Accelerated and Enriched Instruction

AEILC Accelerated and Enriched Instruction Literacy Coach

AEIMCS Accelerated and Enriched Instruction Mathematics Content Specialist

AEIST Acceleration and Enriched Instruction Support Teacher

AEP Alternative Education Program

AERA American Educational Research Association

AFB American Foundation for the Blind

AFEP Achievement-focused Extracurricular Programming

AFT American Federation of Teachers

AGB Alternative Governance Board

AI Artificial Intelligence

AIB Accountability and Implementation Board

AICE Advanced International Certificate of Education

AIEP American Indian Education Program

AIM Action in Montgomery

AIX Advanced Interactive eXecutive (operating system)

ALA American Library Association

ALG Algebra

ALOS Alternate Learning Outcomes

AM Accelerated Mathematics

AMO Annual Measurable Objectives

AMPE Art, Music, and Physical Education

AOF Academy of Finance

AOIT Academy of Information Technology

AP Additional Practice

Advanced Placement

Assistant principal

APA Asian Pacific American

APASAAG Asian Pacific American Student Achievement Action Group

APC Advanced Professional Certificate

APE Adapted Physical Education

APEX Advanced Placement Experience (program at Walter Johnson HS)

APP Alternative Placement Program

AP-PR Assessment Program in Primary Reading

APQC American Productivity and Quality Center

APR Annual performance report

APS Adult Protective Services

AR Administrative review

ARRA *American Recovery and Reinvestment Act* of 2009

ARP American Rescue Plan

ARTS Aesthetics, Repertoire, Technique and Self-Expression

A&S Administrative and supervisory

ASA Assistant school administrator

ASBO Association of School Business Officials

ASC Achievement Steering Committee

ASCA American School Counselor Association

ASCD Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development

ASD Autism spectrum disorder

ASHA American Speech-Language-Hearing Association

ASL American Sign Language

ASM Administrative services manager

A&S PGS Administrative and Supervisory Professional Growth System

ASVAB Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery

AT Assistive technology

ATF (Montgomery County Students) Automotive Trades Foundation

ATM Automated teller machine

ATS Applicant Tracking System

ATSI Additional Targeted School Improvement

AVA American Vocational Association

Association of Vietnamese Americans

AVID Advancement Via Individual Determination

AYP Adequate Yearly Progress

B

403(B) Tax-Sheltered Savings Plan

457(B) Deferred Compensation Plan

BAC Budget Advisory Committee

BAT Bilingual Assessment Team

BCR Brief Constructed Response

BELL Building Educated Leaders for Life

BES Benefit Enrollment System

BESC Bilingual Education Service Center

BIP Behavioral Intervention Plan

BIT Board of Investment Trustees

BLUEPRINT Blueprint for Maryland's Future

BMF Business, Management, and Finance

BMP Building Maintenance Plan

BMPI Building Modifications and Program Improvements

BOARD Board of Education

BOAST Building Opportunities for All Students and Teachers

BOD Board of directors

BOE Board of Education (Board)

BOND Building Our Network of Diversity

BOSS Brotherhood of Super Stars

BRAC Base Realignment and Closure

BRFA *Budget Reconciliation and Financing Act* of 2002

BROTHERS Blacks Reaching Out To Help Each Reach Success (at Albert Einstein and Gaithersburg High Schools)

BRP Business Resumption Plan

BSAM Building service assistant manager

BSM Building service manager

BST Behavioral support teacher

BTE *Bridge to Excellence in Public Schools Act* of 2002 *(Thornton Act)*



CAA Curriculum Advisory Assembly

CAAS Child & Adolescent Assessment Services

CAB Cluster Advisory Board

CABHS (Montgomery County) Child and Adolescent Behavioral Health Services

CAC Curriculum Advisory Committee

CAD Computer-aided design

Computer-aided drafting

CAFR Comprehensive Annual Financial Report

CAI Curriculum, Assessment, and Instruction

CAL Center for Applied Linguistics

CALC Calculus

CAO Chief academic officer

CAP Collaborative Action Process and Communication Arts Program (DCC program at Montgomery Blair HS)

CAPP Comprehensive Autism Preschool Program

CAPPIES Critics and Awards Program for High School Theater and Journalism

CAPSA Chinese American Parents and Students Association

CARECEN Central American Resource Center

CARES *Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act*

CARS Cross-Agency Resource Sharing (committee)

CARTS Computer-assisted Routing Transportation System

CAS Core academic subjects

CASA Central American Solidarity Association

CASE Coalition for Alternatives in Special Education

Council for Advancement and Support of Education

Curriculum for Agricultural Science Education

CAT Community Action Team

CBD Commerce Business Daily

CBE Council for Basic Education

CBI Community-based instruction

CBMI Comprehensive Behavior Management Intervention

CBO Community-based organization

CC Common Core

County Council

CCAPS Concerned Citizens for the Arts in Public Schools

CCCR College, Career, and Community Readiness

CCEIS Comprehensive Coordinated Early Intervention Services

CCIC College career information coordinator

CCN College and Career Navigator

CCR College and Career Ready OR College and Career Readiness

CCRCCA *College and Career Readiness and College Completion Act* of 2013

CCRD College/Career Research and Development

CCSS Common Core State Standards

CCSSO Council of Chief State School Officers

CDC Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

CEASOM Council of Educational, Administrative, and Supervisory Organizations of Maryland

CEC Council for Exceptional Children

CEEB College Entrance Examination Board

CEEM Council of Economic Education in Maryland

CEO Community engagement officer

CEP Community Eligibility Provision

CES Centers for Enriched Studies

CESC Carver Educational Services Center

CEU Continuing Education Unit (credit)

CFDA Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance

CFO Chief financial officer

CFR Code of Federal Regulations

CFT Cross-functional Team

CFW Commission for Women (Montgomery County Government)

CGCP Comprehensive Guidance Counseling Program, K–12

CHADD Children and Adults with Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorders

CHC Community health coordinator

CHE Comprehensive Health Education

ChildFind Early-intervention program for infants and toddlers with disabilities

CHRC Community Health Resources Commission

CHSSP Central High School Summer Program

CIA Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment

CIEP Central Individualized Education Program

CIF Centralized Investment Fund

CIP Capital Improvements Program

Classification of Instructional Programs

CIPA *Children's Internet Protection Act*

CIRF Conflict Intervention, Resolution, and Follow-up

CIS Cafeteria Information System

CISM Critical Incident Stress Management

CISMC Communities in Schools of Montgomery County, Inc.

CITE Creative Initiatives in Teacher Education

CKLA Core Knowledge Language Arts

CL College level

CLASS Classroom Assessment Scoring System

CLEP College-level Examination Program

CLM College-level Math (ACCUPLACER)

CLPP Career Lattice Project Panel

CLS Classroom learning system

CMCC Collaborative Management Coordinating Committee

CMMS Computerized maintenance management system

COB Close of business

Council Office Building

COBRA *Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act*

CODA Child of Deaf Adults

CogAT Cognitive Abilities Test

COLA Cost-of-living adjustment

COMAR Code of Maryland Regulations

CompTIA Computing Technology Industry Association

CONUS Continental United States

COS Chief of Staff

COSA Change of School Assignment

COVID-19 Coronovirus disease 2019

CP Career-related programme

Consulting principal

CPD Continuing professional development

CPF Central Production Facility

CPH Certified professional horticulturalist

CPI Crisis Prevention Intervention

CPP Career Pathways Program

Career and Postsecondary Partnerships

CPRET Capital Planning & Real Estate Team

CPS Collaborative Problem Solving

Child Protective Services

CPU Central Placement Unit

CREA Career Readiness Education Academy

CREATE Center for Research on Educational Accountability and Teacher Evaluation

Creativity, Reflection, Expression, Analysis, Transformation, and Engagement

CRF Contract Review Form

CRI Criterion referenced inventory

CRT Critical Race Theory

CS Computer Science

Content specialist

CSAAC Community Services for Autistic Adults and Children

CSE Common Sense Education

CSI Comprehensive Support and Improvement

CSIT Choice Study Implementation Team

CSMP Comprehensive School Mathematics Program

Central Services Meeting with Principals

CSPA Columbia Scholastic Press Association

CSS College Scholarship Service

CSST Coordinated Student Services Teams

CSTL Center for Skillful Teaching and Leading

CT Consulting teacher

CTE Career and Technical Education

CTF (Montgomery County Students) Construction Trades Foundation

CTI Center for Technology Innovation

CTL Councils on Teaching and Learning

CTY Center for Talented Youth (Johns Hopkins)

CUPF Community Use of Public Facilities

CWE Cooperative work experience

CWS Child Welfare Services

D

DAE Database of Accountable Evaluations

DBIS Department of Business Information Services

DCC Downcounty Consortium

DCCAPS Division of Consortia Choice and Application Program Services

DCCRDP Department of College and Career Readiness and Districtwide Programs

DCI Department of Compliance and Investigations

DCIC Defined Contribution Investment Committee

DCPPCA Division of Career and Postsecondary Partnerships and Career Advising

DCS Department of Certification and Staffing

DCT Design and Construction Team

DCTI Department of Cybersecurity and Technology Infrastructure

DDO Division of District Operations

DEA Drug Enforcement Administration

DECA Distributive Education Clubs of America

DECDP Department of Elementary Curriculum and Districtwide Programs

DELME Department of English Learners and Multilingual Education

DEPA Dual Enrollment Program Assistant

DEOD Division of Equity and Organizational Development

DESC Developmental Evaluation Services for Children

DESPRS Department of Special Education Prekindergarten and Related Services

DFM Division of Facilities Management

Division of Financial Management

DFO Division of Financial Oversight

DFS Department of Food Services

DFSS Department of Financial School Support

DHCM Department of Human Capital Management

DHHS Department of Health and Human Services (Montgomery County)

D/HOH Deaf/hard of hearing

DHRISE Department of Human Resources Information Systems and Evaluations

DHRTM Division of Human Resources and Talent Management

DIBELS Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills

DIME Dual Independent Map Encoding File

DIT Department of Instructional Technology

DJJ Department of Juvenile Justice

DJS Department of Juvenile Services

DLM Dynamic Learning Maps®

DLR Department of Labor Relations

DLS Division of Legal Services

DMB Department of Management and Budget

DMM Department of Materials Management

DMO Division of Maintenance and Operations

DNU Do Not Use

DOC Department of Controller

DOI Documentation of Intervention

Department of Investments

DOP Department of Procurement

DOT Division of Transportation Services

DP Diploma Programme

DPC Department of Planning and Construction

DPGS Department of Professional Growth Systems

DPK12C Department of PreK-12 Curriculum

DPPAS Division of Pupil Personnel and Attendance Services

DPS Division of Psychological Services

DPT Diphtheria/pertussis/tetanus

DRC Dispute Resolution Conference

DRP Disaster Recovery Process

Dispute Resolution Program

DRSAU Disciplinary Review and School Assignment Unit

DSA Department of Shared Accountability

DSC Division of Sustainability and Compliance

DSCDP Department of Secondary Curriculum and Districtwide Programs

DSDS Department of Student and Data Systems

DSE Division of Special Education

DSEC Department of Special Education Compliance

DSES Division of Special Education

DSESM Division of Special Education Systems and Management

DSLI Division of School Leadership and Improvement

DSMV Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders

DSEM Division of Safety and Emergency Management

DSSS Division of Specialized Support Services

DTA Department of Talent Acquisition

DTILMS Department of Technology, Integration, and Learning Management Systems

DTL Divison of Teaching and Learning

DTS Division of Technology Services



2E Twice Exceptional

EAF Entrepreneurial Activities Fund

EAI Expansion in the Arts Initiative

EAP Employee Assistance Program

EBAC ESOL Bilingual Advisory Committee

EBB Excel Beyond the Bell

EBP Employee Benefit Plan

EBRW Evidence-based Reading and Writing

ECA Extracurricular activity

ECE Early Childhood Education

ECPD Equitable Classroom Practices Document

ECS Early Childhood Services

ECR Extended Constructed Response

Education Commission of the States

ED Emotional Disabilities

(U.S.) Department of Education

Executive Director

EDGAR Education Department General Administrative Regulations

EEEP Extended Elementary Education Program

EEK Early Entrance to Kindergarten

EEO Equal Employment Opportunity

EEOC Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

EEP Educational Empowerment Program (run by the Housing Opportunities Commission)

EFMP Educational Facilities Master Plan

EFR Elected facility representative

EGPS Editorial, Graphics & Publishing Services

EIC Elementary Integrated Curriculum

EIIP Early Identification and Intervention Program

EIU Equity Initiatives Unit

EL English learners

ELA English Language Arts

ELC Enriched Literacy Curriculum

ELCP Educational Leadership Certificate Program

ELD English Language Development

ELI Educational Leadership Institute

ELO Extended Learning Opportunities

ELO SAIL Extended Learning Opportunities—Summer Adventures in Learning

ELP English language proficiency

ELPA English Language Proficiency Assessments

ELT Executive Leadership Team

EM Eureka Mathematics

English Manor

EMAT Elementary Mathematics Assessment Tasks

EML Emergent multilingual learner

EMLETC Emergent multilingual learner therapeutic counselor

EMLS Emergent multilingual learners

EMT Educational Management Team

EOB Executive office building

EOC End of Course

End of Course Assessment

EOL Evidence of Learning

EOS Equal Opportunity Schools

EOY End of Year

EPA Environmental Protection Agency

EPAT Elementary Principals Action Team

EPIC Evaluation Procedures Imprinted on Computer

EPP Enhanced Program Proposal

EQ Essential Questions

ERB Expulsion Review Board

ERIC Educational Resources Information Center

ERP Enterprise Resource Planning

ERSC Employee and Retiree Service Center

ERT Emergency Response Team

ES Elementary school

E&S Evaluation and Selection

ESEA *Elementary and Secondary Education Act* of 1965

ESFCU Educational Systems Federal Credit Union

ESIP Elementary Science Integration Project

Equitable Services Implementation Plan

ESIT Enhanced School Improvement Team

ESL English as a second language

ESLP Elementary Science Leadership Program

ESMP Elementary School Mathematics Project

ESR Elected support representative

ESS Extended summer schedule

ESSA *Every Student Succeeds Act* of 2015

ESSER Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief Fund

ESY Extended school year

ETAC ESOL Testing and Accountability Center

ETC ESOL transition counselor

ETI Experienced Teacher Institute

E-TIPS Educators Using Technology to Improve the Performance of Students

ETM Education That is Multicultural

ETS Educational Testing Service

EU Enduring Understandings

EWI Early warning indicators

EXCEL Extended Careers Experience and Learning



2FA Two-Factor Authentication

FAC Family Advisory Council

FACS Family and Consumer Sciences

FACT Facilities Assessment and Criteria Testing

FAESD *Fitness and Athletics Equity for Students with Disabilities Act*

FAFSA Free Application for Federal Student Aid

FAPE Free Appropriate Public Education

FAQ Frequently asked questions

FARMS Free and Reduced-price Meal Systems

FASTT Fluency and Automaticity through Systematic Teaching and Technology

FAW Future Administrators Workshop

FBA Functional Behavioral Assessment

FBLA Future Business Leaders of America

FCCLA Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (formerly Future Homemakers of America)

FCPAC Family and Community Partnerships Advisory Council

FCU Federal Credit Union

FCWG Faith Community Working Group

FDP Family Development Plan (Head Start)

FERPA *Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act*

FFA Future Farmers of America

FFVP Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program

FHRM Foundation of Hospitality and Restaurant Management

FIS Financial Information System

FL Facilitative leadership

FLES Foreign Language in Elementary Schools

FLSA *Fair Labor Standards Act*

FMCLB Family Medical Crisis Leave Bank

FMLA *Family and Medical Leave Act*

FMS Financial Management System

FOIA *Freedom of Information Act*

FOT Foundations of Technology

FPA Family Partnership Agreement (Head Start)

FPG Federal Poverty Guidelines

FREED Family Resource for Education on Eating Disorders

FRS Functional Remediation System

FS Financial specialist

Federation Services

FSA Flexible spending account

FSW Family service worker

FTA Future Teachers of America

FTE Full-time equivalent

FTF Field Trip Fund

FY Fiscal year

G

GAC Guidance Advisory Committee

GAFE Google Apps for Education

GASB Government Accounting Standards Board

GBTLA George B. Thomas, Sr. Learning Academy

GCEI Geographic Cost of Education Index

GED General Equivalency Diploma or General Educational Development (test)

GESA Generating Expectations for Student Achievement

GESP Global Ecology Studies Program (at Poolesville HS)

GFOA Government Finance Officers Association

GH6 Global Humanities Grade 6

GH7 Global Humanities Grade 7

GLOBE Global Learning, Opportunity, Biliteracy, and Engagement

GO General Obligation

GORT Gray Oral Reading Test

GPA Grade Point Average

GT Gifted and Talented

GWU The George Washington University

H

HAPIT Honors/Advanced Placement Identification Tool

HAZMAT Hazardous Materials (Response Team)

HBCUs Historically Black Colleges and Universities

HCM Human Capital Management

HEA Hispanic Employees Association (of MCPS)

HELP Help Elementaries Lead Prevention

Honors Executive Leadership Program

HHMI Howard Hughes Medical Institute

HHPC Healthy High Performance Cleaning

HHS Health and Human Services

HIAT High Incidence Accessible Technology

HIF Health Inventory Form

HLA Higher-level Assignment

HLS Home Language Survey

HMH Houghton Mifflin Harcourt

HMO Health Maintenance Organization

HN Handle and Notify

HOC Housing Opportunities Commission

HOPE Hispanic Organization of Parents and Educators, Inc.

HOUSSE High Objective Uniform State Standard of Evaluation

HQ Highly qualified

HRC Human Relations Commission (of the Montgomery County Government)

HRIS Human Resources Information System (SUN)

HRO Human Resources Online

HS Head Start

High school

HSA High School Assessment

HSM Home School Model

HSMP High School Mathematics Project

HSTAR Homeless Student Transportation Action Request

HVAC Heating, ventilation, and air conditioning



IAC Interagency Committee on Public School Construction

Induction Advisory Committee

IAE International Admissions and Enrollment

IAES Interim Alternative Educational Setting

IAF Independent Activity Fund

IAJE International Association of Jazz Educators

IAQ Indoor Air Quality

IAR International Applicant Records

IAU Internal Audit Unit

IB International Baccalaureate

IBMYP IB Middle Years Programme

IC Instruction Center (on myMCPS)

ICATS Instructional Computers And Technical Services

ICB Interagency Coordinating Board (for community use of public facilities)

ICB/CUPF Interagency Coordinating Board/Community Use of Public Facilities (Montgomery County Government)

ICE International Certificate of Education

ICS Incident Command System

ICT Instructional Core Team

IDEA *Individuals with Disabilities Education Act*

IDP Identity Provider

IEL Institute of Educational Leadership

IEP Individualized Education Program

IFSP Individualized Family Service Plan

IFPS Interagency Family Preservation Services

IGCS Institute for Global and Cultural Studies (at Wheaton HS)

IGOE Inputs, guides, outputs, and enablers

IHE Institution of higher education

IIRF Intake and Referral Form (International Admissions)

IIS Interim Instructional Services (homeschooling)

ILC Imagine Learning Classroom

ILT Instructional Leadership Team

IM Investigations into Mathematics

Illustrative Math

Illustrative Mathematics

IMAP Independence Mastery Assessment Program

IMS Instructional Management System

InterACT Interdisciplinary Augmentative Communication Team

IPD Instruction and professional development

IPM Instructional Planning Model

IPR Instructional program reviews

IPT IDEA Proficiency Test

IRA Instructionally related activity

Independent reading activity

IRC Industry Recognized Credentials

IRO International Reading Organization

IRS Internal Revenue Service

IRT Interdisciplinary resource teacher

ISC Innovative School Calendar

ISCT Instructional Support Coordination Team

ISEF International Science and Engineering Fair

ISLLC Interstate School Leaders Licensure Consortium

ISO In search of

ISS In-school suspension

IST Instructional support teacher

ISTE International Society for Technology in Education

ISY Innovative School Year

ITEA International Technology Education Association

ITF Information Technology Foundation (Montgomery County students)

ITPS Integrated Test Processing System

ITSS Information technology systems specialist

J

JCC Joint Collaboration Committee

JEBC Joint Employee Benefit Committee

JETS Junior Engineering and Technical Society

JLMCC Joint Labor/Management Collaboration Committee

JROTC Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps

JSA Juvenile Services Administration

JSSA Jewish Social Service Agency

JTPA *Job Training Partnership Act*

JV Junior Varsity

K

KEA Kindergarten Entry Assessment

KEPRO Keystone Peer Review Organization

KFA Kids First Alliance

KFI Key facility indicator

KIPP Knowledge is Power Program

KRA Kindergarten Readiness Assessment

L

LACA Literacy Across Content Areas

LAD Learning and Academic Disabilities

LAFF Local Application for Federal Funds

LAN Local area network

LANG Language Arts

LAS (Links) Language Assessment System

LASU Language Assistance Services Unit

LCC Local Coordinating Council

LD Learning disabled

LDAC Leadership Development Advisory Committee

LDAMC Learning Disabilities Association of Montgomery County

LDP Leadership Development Program

LDS Longitudinal Data System

LDU Leadership development unit

LEA Local education agency

LEAAP League of Educators for Asian American Progress

LEAD Leadership, Empowerment, Action & Development

LEED Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design

LEP Limited English proficient

LES Lockdown–Evacuate–Shelter

LETRS Language Essentials for Teachers of Reading and Spelling

LFI Learning for Independence

LGBTQ+ Lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, and questioning

LICC Local Interagency Coordinating Council

LIT Literature

LIT-LANG Literature & Language Arts

LMC Labor/Management Committee

LMCAPS Library Media Center Automated Processing Services

LMCC Labor Management Collaboration Council

LOAD Legal Oversight and Decision (team)

LOI Levels of implementation

LOU Letter of Understanding

LRE Least restrictive environment

LRH Learning resource hub

LS Legal Services

LSAAG Latino Student Achievement Action Group

LSP Local school program

LSST Local School Support Team

LSWC Local School Wellness Council

LTI Leadership Training Institute (at Kennedy HS)

LTL Linkages to Learning

LTS long-term substitute

LULAC League of United Latin American Citizens

M

MAA Mathematical Association of America

MABE Maryland Association of Boards of Education

MAC Medical Advisory Committee (of the Board of Education)

MACO Maryland Association of Counties

MACP Maryland Assessment Center Program

MADD Mothers Against Drunk Driving

MAEA Maryland Art Education Association

MAEOE Maryland Association of Environmental and Outdoor Education

MAEUC Maryland Association for Educational Uses of Computers

MAFSA Metropolitan Association of Foreign Student Advisors

MAG Management Action Group

Maryland Assessment Group

MAHPERD Maryland Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation, and Dance

MAP-M Measures of Academic Progress—Mathematics

MAP-P Measures of Academic Progress—Primary Grades

MAP-R Measures of Academic Progress—Reading

MAS Maryland Adolescent Survey

MASC Maryland Association of Student Councils (state level of SGA)

MASCD Maryland Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development

MBDA Maryland Band Directors Association

MBE Minority Business Enterprise

MC Montgomery County

Montgomery College

MC² Montgomery College Middle College

MCAAP Montgomery County Association of Administrators and Principals (formerly MCAASP)

MCABSE Montgomery County Alliance of Black School Educators

MCAEA Montgomery County Art Education Association

MCAEL Montgomery Coalition for Adult English Literacy

MCAHIC Montgomery County Association for Hearing Impaired Children

MCAP Maryland Comprehensive Assessment Program

MCBETA Montgomery County Business Education Teachers Association

MCBOA Montgomery County Business and Operations Administrators

MCBRE Montgomery County Business Roundtable for Education

MCC Mathematics content coaches

MCCAP Montgomery County Career Advising Program

MCCR Maryland Commission for Civil Rights

MCCB Montgomery County Collaboration Board

MCCCEC Montgomery County Chapter of the Council for Exceptional Children

MCCE Maryland Center for Computing Education

MCCF Montgomery County Civic Federation

Montgomery County Correctional Facility

MCCIRA Montgomery County Council of the International Reading Association

MCCL Montgomery County Consejo Latino, Inc.

MCCPTA Montgomery County Council of Parent-Teacher Associations

MCCPTSA Montgomery County Council of Parent-Teacher-Student Associations

MCCRS Maryland College and Career-Ready Standards

MCEA Montgomery County Education Association

MCECAC Montgomery County Early Childhood Advisory Council

MCEMSA Montgomery County Educational Media Specialists Association

MCFL Maryland Coalition for Financial Literacy

MCFT Montgomery County Federation of Teachers

MCG Montgomery County Government

MCGATE Maryland Coalition for Gifted and Talented Education

MCIE Maryland Coalition for Inclusive Education

MCITP Montgomery County Infants and Toddlers Program

MCJC Montgomery County Juvenile Court

Montgomery County Junior Councils

MCMTA Montgomery County Mathematics Teachers Association

MCPD Montgomery County Police Department

MCPEC Montgomery County Public Employees Council

MCPPWA Montgomery County Pupil Personnel Workers Association

MCPS Montgomery County Public Schools

MCPS AP-PR MCPS Assessment Program Primary Reading

MCPSERP Montgomery County Public Schools Employees' Retirement and Pension Plan

MCPSER/PS Montgomery County Public Schools Employees Retirement/Pension Systems

MCPSPA Montgomery County Public Schools Psychologists Association

MCPSRST Montgomery County Public Schools Retirement System Trust

MCPSTV Montgomery County Public Schools Television

MCPSSAA Montgomery County Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association

MCR Montgomery County Regional (Maryland Association of Student Councils)

MCRD Montgomery County Recreation Department

MCRTA Montgomery County Retired Teachers Association

MCSCTF Montgomery County Students Construction Trades Foundation

MCSIP Montgomery County Self-Insurance Program

MCSPA Montgomery County School Psychologists' Association

MCSS Maryland Center for School Safety

MDH Maryland Department of Health

MDOT Maryland Department of Transportation

MEC Maryland Education Coalition

Montgomery Education Connection

Minimum English Competency

MED Medical Exploration & Discovery (MCPS Program of Study)

MEDIA COM Multimedia and Telecommunications Academy (Kennedy HS)

MEMO Maryland Educational Media Organization

MENC Music Educators National Conference

MEPN Maryland Equity Programs Network

MEQ Master's Equivalency

MESA Mathematics, Engineering, and Science Achievement (Maryland)

METC Modern Educational Technology Center, Inc.

MFA Multi-Factor Authentication

MFD Minority/Female/Disabled (person-owned businesses)

MFP Management and fiscal policy

MFT Maryland Functional Tests

MHAM Mental Health Awareness Month

MHAMD Mental Health Association of Maryland

MHT Maryland Historical Trust

MIBR Maryland Institute for Better Reading

MICA Maryland Institute College of Art

MICCA Maryland Instructional Computer Coordinators' Association

MIFI Mobile wifi

MIM Microsoft Identity Manager

MIRL Monitoring Instructional Reading Levels

MIRN Maryland Instructional Resources Network

MISA Maryland Integrated Science Assessment

MIT Math Implementation Team

MKV *McKinney-Vento Act*

MLC Modern Learning Center

Maryland Library Consortium

MLM Mid-level Management

MLR Math Language Routine

MMAP Monitoring Minority Achievement and Participation

MMEA Maryland Music Education Association

MMFA Maryland Meals For Achievement

MMS Materials Management System

MMSR Maryland Model for School Readiness

M-NCPPC Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission

MOA Memorandum of Agreement

Methods of Administration

MOC Maintenance of Certification

MOCOCAP Montgomery County Career Advising Program

MODA Maryland Orchestra Directors Association

MOD-HSA Modified High School Assessment

MOD-MSA Modified Maryland School Assessment

MOE Maintenance of Effort

MOIEP Maryland Online Individualized Education Program

MOOC Massive Open Online Courses

MOSCK Maryland Observational Screening Checklist for Kindergarten

MOU Memorandum of Understanding

MOVE Mobility Opportunities Via Education

MP Marking Period

MPA Marking period average

MPAC Montgomery Primary Achievement Center

MPDS Maryland Professional Development Standards

MPIA *Maryland Public Information Act*

MPSSAA Maryland Public Secondary Schools Athletic Association

MRB Management Review Board (for Computer Technology)

MROFE MCPS Retirees and Other Former Employees

MRSA Methicillin–Resistant Staph Aureus

MRTA Maryland Retired Teachers Association

MS Middle school

MSA Maryland School Assessment

MSAC Maryland State Arts Council

MSAP Maryland Student Assistance Program

MSB Maryland School for the Blind

MSCA Maryland School Counselor Association

MSD Maryland School for the Deaf

MSDE Maryland State Department of Education

MSI Montgomery SUCCESS, Inc.

MSIA Middle School Instruction and Achievement

MSMC Middle School Magnet Consortium

MSMP Middle School Mathematics Program

MSPA Maryland Scholastic Press Association

MSPDI Middle School Professional Development Institute

MSPRP Maryland School Performance Recognition Program

MSRS Maryland State Retirement System

MSS Mainframe Security System

MSSA Maryland State Alternative Assessment

MSSEI Middle School Special Education Institute

MSSHC Maryland State School Health Council

MST Media services technician

MSTA Maryland State Teachers Association

M-STAT MCPS Process to monitor key data points, hold schools and central office accountable together for results, share and recognize best practices

MTLSS Maryland Technology Literacy Standards for Students

MTPDS Maryland Teacher Professional Development Standards

MTSS Multi-Tiered System of Supports

MTTS Maryland Teacher Technology Standards

MVLO Maryland Virtual Learning Opportunities

MWH Modern World History

MYP Middle Years Programme

N

NAACP National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

NAAPAE National Association for Asian and Pacific American Education

NABSE National Alliance of Black School Educators

NACAC National Association for College Admission Counseling

NAD National Association of the Deaf

NAEA National Art Education Association

NAEP National Assessment of Educational Progress

NAESP National Association of Elementary School Principals

NAESPA National Association of ESEA State Program Administrators

NAF National Academy Foundation

NAFEO National Association For Equal Opportunity (in Higher Education)

NAFSA National Association of Foreign Student Achievers

NAGC National Association for the Gifted Coalition

NALS National Adult Literacy Survey

NAPE National Association for Primary Education

NASA National Aeronautics and Space Administration

NASP National Association of School Psychologists

NASSP National Association of Secondary School Principals

NAVAE National Association for Vietnamese American Education

NBA National Braille Association

NBCT National Board-Certified Teacher

NBPTS National Board for Professional Teaching Standards

NCAA National Collegiate Athletic Association

NCATE National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education

NCCER National Center for Construction Education and Research

NCE Normal Curve Equivalent

NCES National Center for Education Statistics

NCLB *No Child Left Behind Act* of 2001

NCLR National Council of La Raza

NCME National Council on Measurement in Education

NCSEA National Council of State Education Associations

NCSM National Council of Supervisors of Mathematics

NCTE National Council of Teachers of English

NCTM National Council of Teachers of Mathematics

NCUEA National Council of Urban Education Associations

NCUST National Center for Urban School Transformation

NEA National Education Association

NEA-R National Education Association-Retired

NEC Northeast Consortium

NEC/DCC Northeast/Downcounty Consortia

NEH National Endowment for the Humanities

NEHS National Elementary Honor Society

NEO New Educator Orientation

NEP Not English Proficient

NETS*A National Educational Technology Standards for Administrators

NFB National Federation of the Blind

NFHS National Federation of State High School Associations

NFIE National Foundation for the Improvement of Education

NFUSSD National Federation of Urban-Suburban School Districts

NGO Nongovernmental organization

NGSS Next Generation Science Standards

NHS National Honor Society

NIH National Institutes of Health

NIMH National Institute of Mental Health

NIMS National Incident Management System

NIST National Institute of Standards and Technology

NJROTC Naval Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps

NMSA National Middle School Association

NMSQT Scholarship Qualifying Test

NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NOGA Notice of Grant Award

NP National percentile

NPP Nonpublic Placement

NSBA National School Boards Association

NSDC National Staff Development Council

NSF National Science Foundation

NSL National, State, and Local (refers to National/State/Local Government exam)

NSPA National Student Press Association

NSPRA National School Public Relations Association

NSTA National Science Teachers Association

NTE National Teachers Examination

NTI New Teacher Induction

NTTI National Teacher Training Institute

NWEA Northwest Evaluation Association

O

OARS Online Achievement and Reporting System

OASDI Old Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance Program

OASIS Older Adult Service and Information System

OAT Observing and Analyzing Teaching

OCA Organization of Chinese Americans

Our Call to Action

OCR Office for Civil Rights

OEA Outdoor Education Association

OECD Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

OEEP Outdoor Environmental Education Programs

OEM Original equipment manufacturer

OIG Office of the Inspector General

OJT On-the-job training

OL On-level

OLC Online Learning Community

OM Odyssey of the Mind

OMB Ombudsman

OMS Occupational Medical Section

OPEB Other Post-employment Benefits

OPTG Online Pathway to Graduation

ORAR Online Remote Access Request

ORR Office of Refugee Resettlement

OSCO Office of the Security and Complicance Officer

OSET On-site Emergency Team

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Administration

OSP Online School Payment

OSSMO Office of the School System Medical Officer

OT Occupational therapy or therapist

OT/PT Occupational therapy/physical therapy

OWI One-way Immersion

P

PACE Provocative, Ambiguous, Complex, Emotional

PACS Payroll Attendance Collection System

PACT Promoting Adolescents' Comprehension of Text

PADI Program of Assessment, Diagnosis, and Instruction

PALKIT Play and Learn Kit

PAN Personnel Action Notice

PAR Peer Assistance and Review

PARA Para-educator

PARCC Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers

PBA Performance-based Assessment (PARCC)

PBIS Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports

PBL Project-based learning

PC Progress Checks

PCC Parent community coordinator

PCR Parent/Child Reunification process

PCU Principals' Curriculum Update

PDCC Professional Development Coordinating Committee

PDEI Professional Development and Educational Improvement (committee)

PDF Portable document format

Project description forms

PDIP Process Design and Improvement Process

PDK Phi Delta Kappa (honorary association in education)

PDO Professional Development Online

PDP Professional Development Plan

Pre-Diploma Programme (IB)

PDS Professional Development School

PDSA Plan Do Study Act

PDT Professional Development and Training (committee)

PEAC Program Evaluation Advisory Committee

PEAR Program Efficiency, Abandonment, and Redirection

PEARLS Parent Education and Responsive Life Skills program

PELP Public Education Leadership Program (Harvard)

PEO Plant equipment operator

Printing equipment operator

PEP Preschool Education Program

PGC Professional growth consultant

PGS Professional Growth System

PII Personally Identifiable Information

PIIE Process Improvement and Innovation in Education

PIO Public Information Office and Web Services

PIP Performance Improvement Process

PISA Programme for International Student Assessment

PISCES People for Inclusive School and Community Education Services

PITC Parent Information and Training Center (aka Partners for Success)

PLAAFP Present level of academic and functional performance

PLAR Planned Life-cycle Asset Replacement

PLC Professional learning community

PLCI Professional Learning Communities Institute

PLM Peak Load Management (MCPS program)

PLTW Project Lead The Way

PM Performance Matters

Preventive maintenance

PMC Policy Management Committee

PMD Personal mobile device

PMHS Public Mental Health Services

PMI Process Management and Improvement

PML Principals Memorandum Library

PMS Program Mission Summary

PO Purchase order

POC Point of Contact

POS Program of Studies

POSE Parents for Options in Special Education

PPAS Pupil Personnel and Attendance Services

PPO Preferred Provider Organization

PPRA Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment

PPW Pupil personnel worker

PQI Program Quality Index

PRE-K Prekindergarten

PRISM Program Review Instrument for Systems Management

Project ALERT Adolescent Learning Experience Resistance Training

Project BASIC Businesses and Schools Investing in Children

Project IMPACT Increasing the Mathematical Power of All Children and Teachers

Project SHARE Students Help And Reach Elders

Project TNT Toward No Tobacco Use

PROMAT Professional experience Master of Arts in Teaching

PROSEMS Professional Immersion Special Education Master of Science

PSA Public Service Announcement

Professional Services Agreement

PSAC Pilot School Advisory Committee

PSAT Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test

PSM Peer Support Model

PSSAM Public School Superintendents Association of Maryland

PST Public Schools Television

PSTEB Professional Standards Teacher Education Board

PT Physical therapy or therapist

PTA Parent Teacher Association

PTD Primary Talent Development

PTE Professional technical educator

P-TECH Pathways in Network and Information Technology

PTSA Parent Teacher Student Association

PV Photovoltaic system

PYP Primary Years Programme

Q

QIE Quality integrated education

QMC Quality Management Council

QR CODES Quick Response Codes

QSP Quality school portfolio

QTIA *Quality Teacher Incentive Act* of 1999

QTIP Quality Teacher Incentive Program

QZAB Qualified Zone Academy Bond

R

R Reply

Respond

RA Respond Appropriately

Restorative Approaches

RAISE Recognize Achievement with Incentives for Students' Efforts

RAP Response Abilities Pathway

Recovery and Academic Program

RC Resource counselor

RCC Ready Common Core

RDA Recommended Dietary Allowance

RDP Remote Desktop Protocol

RE/EML Recently Exited Emergent Multilingual Learners

REHS Regional Evening High School

REIA Residency Enrollment and International Admissions

RELL Reclassified English language learner

REM Real Estate Management

RFA/RFP Request for Application/ Request for Proposal

RFQ Request for Quote

RHRC Rocking Horse Road Center

RICA Regional Institute for Children and Adolescents

RIGOR Reading Instructional Goals for Older Readers

RIT Rasch Unit (score)

RLA Reading/language arts

ROTC Reserve Officer Training Corps

RQA Required Quarterly Assessment

RRC Regulatory Review Committee

RSS Really Simple Syndication

RSSSW Reimagining School Safety and Student Well-being

RT Resource teacher

RTI Response to Intervention

RTSE Resource teacher in special education

RTTT Race to the Top

S

SADD Students Against Destructive Decisions

SAE School Allocation Execution

SAG Spending Affordability Guideline

SAIL Summer Adventures in Learning

SALC Student Athlete Leadership Council

SALT School Assessment Leadership Team

SAMM Statistics and Mathematical Modeling

SAN Student Achievement Needs

SAP Student Assistance Program

SAR School Allocation Report

SAS Supplementary Aids and Services

SBA School business administrator

SBEC School-based ESOL counselor

SBHC School-based health center

SBLC School-based learning center

SBOE State Board of Education

SBRR Scientifically Based Reading Research

SCA Senior Community Advisor

SCAC Student Climate Action Council

SCALE-UP The Scaling up Curriculum for Achievement, Learning, and Equity project

SCAT School Community Action Team

SCB School community-based program

SCE State Compensatory Education

SCHN School community health nurse

SCIS Science Curriculum Improvement Study (program)

SCMS Substitute Call Management System

SCO Security and compliance officer

SCOC Student Code of Conduct

SCS School Counseling Services

SCSU School Counseling Services Unit

SCYS School Community-based Youth Services

SDA Service delivery area

SDRT Stanford Diagnostic Reading Test

SDST Staff development substitute time

SDT Staff development teacher

SEA State Education Agency

SEBH Student Engagement and Behavioral Health

SEBHA Student Engagement, Behavioral Health, and Academics

SECAC Special Education Citizens Advisory Committee

SEES Statewide Educator Evaluation System

SEFEL Social Emotional Foundations for Early Learning

SEIU Service Employees International Union (Local 500)

SEL Social Emotional Learning

SELP Student Emergent Leaders Program

SEM Standard Error of Measurement

SEMS Substitute Employee Management System

SEP Supervising and Evaluating Performance

School Emergency Plan

SEPA Students Engaged in Pathways to Achievement

SERT School Energy and Recycling Team

School Eco-response Team

SES Supplemental Educational Services

Success for Every Student

SET-IT Special Education Teacher–Immersion Training

SFO School Funds Online

SFSF State Fiscal Stabilization Fund

SFSS Student, Family, and School Services

SGA Student Government Association

SGGCR Student Grades and Graduation Report

SHRT School health room technician

SHOP Students Helping Other People

SHOUT Students Helping Others Unite Today

SHS School Health Services

SIIR Supervisors Incident Investigation Report

SIMS Student-based Instructional Monitoring System

SIN Salary Information Notice

SIOP Sheltered Instruction Observation Protocol

SIP School Improvement Plan

SIPPI Student Instructional Program Planning and Implementation

SIS Student Information System

SISP Specialized instructional support personnel

SLA Superintendent's Leadership Academy

Service Level Agreement

SLAM Student-led Athletics Media

SLC Smaller Learning Communities

Secondary Learning Center

SLD Specific Learning Disability

SLI Speech and Language Impaired

SLIFE Students with Limited or Interrupted Formal Education

SLMP School Library Media Programs

SLO Student Learning Objective

SLP Speech language pathologist

SLS School Learning Systems

SLT Sample Learning Tasks

Senior Leadership Team

SLTI School Leadership Teams Institute

SMACS Science, Mathematics, and Computer Science (magnet program)

SMART Self-Management and Resistance Training

SMFO Spring Mill Field Office

SMI School Meal Initiative

SMOB Student Member of the Board

SNAP School Nutrition Accountability Program

SNEAKERS Self-esteem, Nurturance, Expectations, Assertiveness, Knowledge, Economics, Responsibility, and Success (program)

SN or SNow ServiceNow

SOAR Student Outcome and Achievement Report

SOC System and Organization Controls

SOL Student Online Learning

SOMIRAC State of Maryland International Reading Association Council

SPC Standard Professional Certificate

SPF Strategic Planning Framework

SPI School Progress Index

SPO School Plant Operations

SPP Strategic Planning Process

State Performance Plan

SPT Special Projects Team

SQL Standard Query Language

SR Selected Response

SRC State-rated Capacity

SRCL Striving Readers Comprehensive Literacy (grant)

SRI Systems Reform Initiative

SRPS (Maryland) State Retirement and Pension Systems

SRR Student Rights and Responsibilities

SRSI Self-regulated Strategy Instruction

SSA System of Shared Accountability

SSAC Safe School Action Committee

Site Selection Advisory Committee

SSAE Student Support and Academic Enrichment

SSE School security employee

Summer Supplemental Employment

Surveys of School Environment

SSIF School Support and Improvement Framework

SSIG State School Improvement Grant

SSL Student Service Learning

SSLI Society of School Librarians International

SSMO School System Medical Officer

SSO Single Sign On

SSPGS Supporting Services Professional Growth System

SSPR Self-service Password Reset

SSSIP Space Science Student Involvement Program

SST Special Services Tracking System

Studying Skillful Teaching

SSTC Supporting Services Training Corps

SSTD Supporting Services Training and Development

SSTP Skillful Studying Teaching for Paraeducators

STAR Student Transportation Action Request

STARS Students That Achieve Real Success

STC School test coordinator

STEAM Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics

STELP Science, Technology, Engineering Leadership Program

STEM Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

STS School Technology Support

STSRC Support to Schools Request Center

SUMMER RISE Real Interesting Summer Experience

SUPRE Substance Use Prevention and Resiliency Education

SWBA Student Well-being and Achievement

SWBT Student Well-being Team

SWC Student Welfare and Compliance

SWD Students with Disabilities

SWIFE Students with Interrupted Formal Education

SY School year

SYNERGYSIS Synergy Student Information System

T

TARP Technology and Research Partnership (program)
Troubled Asset Relief Program

TASH The Association for Severe Handicaps

TASS Thinking and Academic Success Skills

TC Teacher competency (courses)

TCCI The College Counselor's Internet

TDA Tax-deferred Annuity

TDD/TTY Telecommunications Device for the Deaf/Teletypewriter

TEAM Technology Education Association of Maryland

TECHMOD Technology Modernization

TELL Teaching, Empowerment, Leading, and Learning

TELP Technology Education Leadership Project

TESA Teacher Expectations and Student Achievement

TESOL Teachers of English for Speakers of Other Languages

TIC Technology implementation specialist

TIMS Trends in Mathematics and Science

TIMSS Trends in Instructional Mathematics and Science Study

TIP Targeted Improvement Program

TIRA Teacher Induction, Retention, and Advancement

TMS Translation Management System

TN/2 TerraNova, second edition

TOEFL Test of English as a Foreign Language

TOWK Test of Word Knowledge

TPE Telework Partnership with Employees

TPGS Teacher Professional Growth System

TPM Transition planning meeting

TPT Temporary part time

TRB Truancy Review Board

TRI-M Medical Careers, Sports Medicine, and Management

TSS Technical Services and Support

TST Transition support teacher

2E Twice Exceptional

TV Teacher of the Visually Impaired

TWI Two-way Immersion

U

UAT User Acceptance Test

UCARE Understanding, Computing, Applying, Reasoning, and Engaging

UDL Universal Design for Learning

UMSAP User Management Security Access Portal

UOM Unit of measure

UQ Unifying Questions

URL Uniform Resource Locator (web address)

URSC Upcounty Regional Services Center

US8 United States History Grade 8

US9 United States History Grade 9

USDA United States Department of Agriculture

USDE United States Department of Education (ED)

USG Universities at Shady Grove

USGBC United States Green Building Council

USPS United States Postal Service

UTC Universal Time Coordinated

V

VAC Visual Art Center

VB Visiting bookkeeper

VIEW Vocational Interest Exploration Workshop

VIPK16 Vertically Integrated Partnership K–16

VMC Virtual Middle College

VMS Visitor Management System

VOC Volatile organic compounds

VPN Virtual Private Network

VSC Vision Services Center

Voluntary State Curriculum

VSM Valley stream mapping

W

WAN Wide area network

WAP Wireless Access Point

WE Workforce Excellence

WGPA Weighted Grade Point Average

WIDA World-class Instructional Design and Assessment

WISC®-V Wechsler Intelligence Scale for Children® Fifth Edition

WOW Warehouse on Wheels

WPA Working Parents Assistance

WS6 World Studies Grade 6

WS7 World Studies Grade 7

WSS Work Sampling System

WSCC Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child Model

WVD Windows Virtual Desktop

WWW World Wide Web

Y

YRBS Youth Risk Behavior Survey

YRE Year-round education

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