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List of Acronyms

AEIS	Academic Excellence Indicator System	MAT-7	Metropolitan Achievement Test, 7 th Edition
AFT	American Federation of Teachers	MCAS	Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System
ANOVA	Analysis of variance	MDCPS	Miami-Dade County Public Schools
BRCS	Boston Renaissance Charter School	MDE	Michigan Department of Education
B-D	Breslow-Day statistic	MDOE	Massachusetts Department of Education
CDE	Colorado Department of Education	MEAP	Michigan Educational Assessment Program
CI	Confidence interval	MLK	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
CRT	Criterion-Referenced Test	NEA	National Education Association
CSAP	Colorado Student Assessment Program	NCE	Normal curve equivalent
CTBS	Comprehensive Test of Basic Skills	NPR	National Percentile Rank
DALT	District Achievement Level Tests	NRT	Norm-Referenced Test
DEPS	Dodge-Edison Partnership School	OR	Odds ratio
EMO	Educational management organization	PR	Percentile rank
EC	The Evaluation Center, WMU	PSA	Public School Academy
ES	Effect Size	SAT-9	Stanford Achievement Test, Version 9
ESL	English as a second language	SES	Socioeconomic status
FCAT	Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test	SFA	Success for All
FDE	Florida Department of Education	SPSS	Statistical Package for the Social Sciences
GE	Grade equivalent	SS	Standard score
HLM	Hierarchical linear model	Stn	stanine scores
HST	High School Test	TAAS	Texas Assessment of Academic Skills
ISD	Intermediate School District	TEA	Texas Education Agency
ITBS	Iowa Test of Basic Skills	TLI	Texas Learning Index
KDE	Kansas State Department of Education	WMU	Western Michigan University
LEP	Limited English proficiency		

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