

# Library Related Acronyms

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Acronyms, Abbreviations and Initialisms

Sources: Acronym Finder, Online Dictionary for Library and Information Service (ODLIS), and others

AACR2 – Anglo-American Cataloging Rules, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition  
AARP – American Association of Retired Persons  
AASL – American Association of School Librarians  
ABE – Adult Basic Education  
ACCD – Allegheny Conference on Community Development  
ACCESS PA – Access Pennsylvania  
ACLA – Allegheny County Library Association  
ACLU – American Civil Liberties Union  
ACRL – Association of College and Research Libraries  
Act 33 – Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance  
Act 34/151 – Instant Criminal Check  
Act 48 – Teacher’s Continuing Professional Education  
Act 179 – Child Protective Services Law  
ACYS – Advisory Council for Youth Service  
ADA – Americans with Disabilities Act  
AIU – Allegheny Intermediate Unit  
AL – American Libraries  
ALA – American Library Association  
ALAWON – American Library Association Washington Office Newslite  
ALC – Americans for Libraries Council  
ALCTS – Association for Library Collections & Technical Services  
ALS – Automated Library System  
ALSC – Association for Library Service to Children  
ALTA – Association for Library Trustees and Advocates  
AMH – Automated Material Handling  
ANSI – American National Standards Institute  
APPLS – Association of Pennsylvania Public Library Systems  
ARAD (or RAD) – Allegheny Regional Asset District  
ASL – American Sign Language  
AUN – Library Code Number - 9 digit permanent number assigned to library  
AV – Audiovisual  
AVTS – Area Vocational Technical Schools  
BIP – Books in Print  
BLAST – Bringing Libraries and Schools Together  
BLB – Big Little Book  
Blog – Web log  
BO – Back Order  
BOE – Based on Experience  
BOE – Board of Education  
BOMA – Building Owners & Managers Association  
BP – Band-pass  
BTOP – Broadband Technology Opportunities Program  
BWB – Beginning with Books  
CAPTA – Child Abuse Protection and Treatment Act  
CAPTCHA – Completely Automated Public Turing Test to tell Computers and Humans Apart  
CBC – Children’s Book Council  
CCB – Center for Children’s Books  
CD-ROM – Compact Disc-Read Only Memory

CD-RW – Compact Disc-Rewritable  
CE – Continuing Education  
CERT – Community Emergency Response Training  
CFLAC – Commission on the Future of Libraries in Allegheny County  
CFRE – Certified Fund Raising Executive  
CHIP – Children’s Health Insurance Program  
CIPA – Children’s Internet Protection Act of 1999  
CLIR – Council on Library and Information Resources  
CLP – Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh  
CLR – Children’s Literature Review  
CPU – Central Processing Unit  
CRC – Camera Ready Copy  
CSSP – Customer Service Standards and Practices  
D & O – Directors and Officers (Insurance)  
DCED – Department of Community Economic Development  
DDC – Dewey Decimal Classification  
DEC – Digital Enhanced Cordless  
DL – Distance Learning  
DLC – District Library Center  
DNO – Distribution Network Operator  
DOI – Digital Object Identifier  
DOE – Department of Education  
DPI – Dots Per Inch  
DPW – Department of Public Welfare  
DSL – Digital Subscriber Line  
DVD – Digital Video Disc  
EAP – Employee Assistance Program  
e-Audio – Electronic Audio  
e-book – Electronic Book  
e-Content – Electronic Content  
ECRR – Every Child Ready to Read  
EdNA – Education Names and Addresses  
EEO/AA – Equal Employment Opportunity and Affirmative Action  
E-Gov – Electronic Government  
EI – Early Intervention  
EI – Emotional Intelligence  
eiNetwork – Electronic Information Network  
EinLibs – eiNetwork Libraries List Serv  
EITC – Educational Improvement Tax Credit Program  
E-Journal – Electronic Journal  
E-learning – Electronic Learning  
EM – Electro-Mechanical  
EPA – Environmental Protection Agency  
EPIC – Electronic Privacy Information Center  
E-rate – Education Rate Program  
EREC – Electronic Resources Evaluation Committee  
ERIC – Education Resource Information Center  
ESL – English as a Second Language  
FACTA – Fair and Accurate Credit Transition Act  
FAQ – Frequently Asked Questions  
FCC – Federal Communications Commission  
FEMA – Federal Emergency Management Agency  
FLSA – Fair Labor Standards Act

FMLA – Family Leave of Absence  
FOIA – Freedom of Information Act  
FOL – Friends of the Library  
FOLUSA – Friends of Libraries U.S.A.  
FRAD – Functional Requirements for Authority Data  
FRBR – Functional Requirements for Biographic Records  
FT – Full Time  
FTE – Full Time Equivalent  
FTP – File Transfer Protocols  
GAC – Government Advisory Council  
GB – Gigabyte  
GIF – Graphics Interchange Format  
GIS – Geographic Information System  
GLSEN – Gay, Lesbian and Straight Education Network  
Gmail – Google Mail  
GPLC – Greater Pittsburgh Literacy Council  
GSE – Group Study Exchange  
HEAT – Helpdesk Expert Automation Tool  
HR – Human Resources  
HSLC – Health Sciences Library Consortium  
HTML – Hyper Text Markup Language  
ICT – Information and Communication Technologies  
IDS – Interlibrary Delivery Service  
IEP – Individualized Education Programs  
ILL – Interlibrary Loan  
ILS – Integrated Library System  
ILS Reports – eiNetwork Reports  
IM – Instant Message  
IMAX – Image MAXimum (Imax Corp. registered trademark for advanced film format/projection system)  
IMLS – Institute of Museum and Library Services  
iPod – Internet Pod (Apple)  
IR – Institutional Repositories  
ISBN – International Standard Book Number  
ISO – International Standards Organization  
ISP – Internet Service Provider  
ISP(S) – Intercept Orders(wiretaps) Search Warrants Pen Register and Trap-and-Trace Subpoenas  
ISSN – International Standard Serial Number  
ISST – Information Seeking Skills Test  
IU – Intermediate Units  
JPEG – Joint Photographic Experts Group  
KB – Kilobyte  
KWIC – Keyword in Context  
KWOC – Keyword out of Context  
L – Lay  
LA – Librarian Assistant  
LAC – Librarian’s Advisory Council  
LAMA – Library Administration and Management Association  
LAN – Local Area Network  
LBPH – Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped  
LC – Library of Congress  
LCCN – Library of Congress Control Number  
LCD – Liquid Crystal Display  
LEA – Local Education Agencies

LEED – Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (United States Green Building Council)  
LFE – Local Financial Effort  
LFF – Libraries for the Future  
LGI – Local Government Income  
LIC – Librarian in Charge  
LIS – Library and Information Science  
LISTSERV – E-mail mailing list server  
LITA – Library and Information Technology Association  
LJ – Library Journal  
LOA – Leave of Absence  
LSTA – Library Services and Technology Act  
LT – Library Trustee  
LTD – Long Term Disability  
LTR – Library Technology Reports  
MA - Master  
MARC – Machine Readable Cataloging  
MARS – Machine Assisted Reference Section  
ME – Megabyte  
ME – Millennium Edition  
MHz – Megahertz (million Hertz)  
MLA – Modern Language Association  
MLS – Master of Library Science  
MLIS – Master of Library and Information Science  
MSA – Metropolitan Statistical Area  
MSLS – Master of Science in Library Science  
NAEYC – National Association for the Education of Young Children  
NCLB – No Child Left Behind (US Education Initiative)  
NCLIS – National Commission on Libraries and Information Science  
NCOA – National Change of Address  
NEA – National Endowment for the Arts  
NEH – National Endowment for Humanities  
NGO – Non-Governmental Organization  
NLLD – National Library Legislation Day  
NLW – National Library Week  
NYP – Not Yet Published  
OASIS – Organization for the Administration of Structured Information Standards  
OCL – Office of Commonwealth Libraries  
OCLC – Online Computer Library Center  
OCR – Optical Character Recognition  
ODLIS – Online Dictionary for Library and Information Service  
OLC – Oakland Library Consortium  
OP – Out of Print  
OPAC – Online Public Access Catalog  
OPAL – Online Program for All Libraries  
OPL – One Person Libraries  
OS – Out of Stock  
OSHA – Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
OSI – Out of Stock Indefinitely  
PAEYC – Pittsburgh Association for the Education of Young Children  
PAISTA – Pittsburgh Area Independent School Teachers Association  
PALA – Pennsylvania Library Association  
PaLA SCC – Pennsylvania Library Association South Central Chapter  
PaLA SW – Pennsylvania Library Association Southwest Chapter

PALCI – Pennsylvania Academic Library Consortium, Inc.  
PALINET– Pennsylvania Area Library Information Network  
PaMailAll – Pennsylvania Mail All Libraries List Serv  
PAPUBLIB – Pennsylvania Libraries List Serv  
PASchools – Pennsylvania Schools List Serv  
Patriot Act – Provide Appropriate Tools Required to Intercept and Obstruct Terrorism Act of 2001  
PATTAN – Pennsylvania Training & Technical Assistance Network  
PAYOUTH – Pennsylvania Youth List Serv  
PC – Personal Computer  
PCBL – Pennsylvania Citizens for Better Libraries  
PD – Public Domain  
PDA – Personal Digital Assistant  
PDAC – Pittsburgh District Advisory Council  
PDE – Pennsylvania Dept. of Education  
PDF – Portable Document Format  
PDLC – Pittsburgh District Library Center  
PELS – Pennsylvania Early Learning Standards  
PEMA – Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency  
PHEAA – Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency  
PHMC – Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission  
PII – Personally Identifiable Information  
PIN – Personal Identification Number  
PL – Professional Librarian  
PLA – Public Library Association, a division of ALA  
PO – Purchase Order  
POP – Post Office Protocol  
POWER Library – Pennsylvania Online World of Electronic Resources Library  
PP ID# – Professional Personnel Identification Number  
PPS – Pittsburgh Public Schools  
PSA – Public Service Announcement  
PSEA – Pennsylvania State Education Association  
PSLA – Pennsylvania School Librarians Association  
PSSA – Pennsylvania System of School Assessment  
PT – Part Time  
PW – Publisher’s Weekly  
RA – Reader’s Advisory  
RAD or ARAD – Allegheny Regional Asset District  
RAM – Random Access Memory  
RDA – Resources Description and Access  
REFORMA – National Assn. to Promote Library/Information Services to Latinos and the Spanish-Speaking  
RFID – Radio Frequency Identification  
RIS – Radio Information Service (reading service for sight impaired)  
ROM – Read-Only Memory  
RSI – Repetitive Stress Injury  
RSS – Really Simple Syndication  
RTM – Read To Me  
RUR – Regional Use Reimbursement  
SBA – Small Business Administration  
SDA – Service Delivery Area  
SE – Second Edition  
SEPLA – Southeast Chapter of the Pennsylvania Library Association  
SIS – School of Library and Information Science, University of Pittsburgh  
SL – Second Life (Virtual world)

SLED – Second Life Education  
SLJ – School Library Journal  
SMS – Short Message Service  
SMTP – Simple Mail Transfer Protocol (Internet email)  
SOA – Service-Oriented Architecture  
SPC – Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission  
SPLOG – Spam blog  
SRC – Summer Reading Club  
SRP – Summer Reading Program  
SSL – Secure Sockets Layer (Netscape; web security protocol)  
SUS – Serving the Underserved  
SWCPA – Southwest Chapter of Pennsylvania  
SW-PaLA – Southwest Chapter of the Pennsylvania Library Association  
SYEP – Summer Youth Employment Program  
TAC – Teen Advisory Council  
TAG – Teen Advisory Group  
TDD – Telecommunications Device for the Deaf  
TIAA-CREF – Teachers Insurance and Annuity Assn. - College Retirement Equities Fund  
TIFF – Tagged Image File Format  
TOP – Temporarily Out of Print  
TOS – Temporarily Out of Stock  
TQAS – Trainer Quality Assurance System  
TRRU – Telephone Ready Reference Unit  
TRW – Teen Read Week  
TSR – Teen Summer Reading  
UCITA – Uniform Computer Information Transactions Act  
ULC – Union Library Catalog  
ULC – Urban Libraries Council  
URL – Uniform Resource Locator  
USB – Universal Serial Bus  
VCR – Video Cassette Recorder  
VDX – Virtual Document Exchange  
VHS – Video Home System  
VITA – Volunteer Income Tax Assistance  
VOD – Video on Demand  
VoIP – Voice over Internet Protocol  
VOYA – Voice of Youth Advocates  
VPN – Virtual Private Network  
W3C – World Wide Web Consortium  
WAN – Wide Area Network  
WEBINAR – Web (Internet) Based Seminar  
WIC – Women, Infants and Children (Public Health Program)  
WMA – Windows Media Audio  
WMSDS – Work-Related Musculoskeletal Disorders  
WPGS – Western Pennsylvania Genealogical Society  
WWW – World Wide Web  
YA – Young Adult  
YALSA – Young Adult Library Services Association  
YRCA – Young Reader's Choice Award  
YTD – Year to Date

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