

ACRONYM SOUP FOR THE WASHINGTON STATE CTC SYSTEM

ACRONYM	TITLE OF COMMISSIONS, COUNCILS & GROUPS	REPORTS TO
ACC	Advising and Counseling Council	WSSSC
ACT	Association of College Trustees	
AEAC	WA State Adult Education Advisory Council	
ARC	Admissions and Registration Council	WSSSC
ATC	Articulation and Transfer Council	IC
ATL	Office of Assessment, Teaching and Learning	SBCTC
BAC	Business Affairs Commission	WACTC
BAR	Budget Accounting and Reporting Council	BAC
BLC	Baccalaureate Leadership Council	
CBS	Council for Basic Skills	IC
CEC	Continuing Education Council	IC
CESC	Career and Employment Services Council	WSSSC
COP	Council of Presidents	
CUSP	Council of Unions and Student Programs	WSSSC
CWPC	College Women's Programs Council	WSSSC
DSSC	Disability Support Services Council	WSSSC
ELC	eLearning Council	IC
FAC	Financial Aid Council	WSSSC
FACTC	Faculty Association of Community and Technical Colleges	Input to SBCTC
HRMC	Human Resources Management Commission	WACTC
IC	Instruction Commission	WACTC
ICRC	Intercollege Relations Commission	WCHSCR
ITC	Information Technology Commission	WACTC
JTC	Joint Transfer Council (formerly JAOG)	Collaborates with WSAC
LLC	Library Leadership Council	IC
MSSDC	Multicultural Student Services Directors Council	WSSSC
NWAACC	Northwest Athletic Association of Community Colleges	
NWCCU	Northwest Commission for Colleges and Universities	
OFC	Operations and Facilities Council	BAC
OFM	Office of Financial Management	Governor
OPEP	Organization of Parenting Education Programs	
OCR	Office for Civil Rights	
OSPI	Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction	
PAC	Purchasing Affairs Council	BAC
PACTCC	President's Assistants for Community and Technical Colleges	
PPMS	Payroll/Personnel Management System Users Group	
RPC	Research and Planning Commission	WACTC
SBCTC	State Board of Community and Technical Colleges	
SSEM	Safety, Security, and Emergency Management Council	BAC

WACTC	Washington Association of Community and Technical Colleges (Presidents, Chancellors)	
WACTC-PIO	Public Information Commission	WACTC
WAOL	Washington Online	SBCTC
WCCCC	Washington Campus Children's Center Coalition	
WCHSCR	Washington Council for High School-College Relations	Nonprofit Corp.
WEC	Workforce Education Council	IC
WELA	Washington Executive Leadership Academy	
WSAC	Washington Student Achievement Council (formerly HECB)	Governor
WSSSC	Washington State Student Services Commission	WACTC

ACRONYM	TITLE OF CTC FREQUENT PARTNER GROUP	REPORTS TO
ACE	American Council on Education	
AACC	American Association of Community Colleges	
AHE	Association of Higher Education (faculty union)	WEA
ATE	Advanced Technological Education	
CAEL	Council for Adult Experiential Learning	
CLAMS	College Library and Media Specialists	
CTCLDA	CTC Leadership Development Association	
DEL	Department of Early Learning	
DOC	Department of Corrections	
DSHS	Department of Social and Health Services	Governor
DOL	Department of Labor	U.S. President
ESD	Employment Security Department	Governor
FIPSE	Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education	U.S. Dept. of Ed.
HCA	Health Care Authority	
NACADA	National Academic Advising Association	
NEA	National Endowment for the Arts	National Council on the Arts
NEH	National Endowment for the Humanities	National Council on the Humanities
NEWESD	Northeastern Washington Educational Services District 101	U.S. Dept. of Ed
NSF	National Science Foundation	U.S. Senate
PERC	Public Employees Relations Commission	
PERS	Public Employees Retirement System	
PESB	Professional Educators Standards Board	
TAACCCT	Trade Adjustment Assistance Community College and Career Training	DOL
TRS	Teachers Retirement System	
TYCA-PNW	Two Year College English Association – Pacific Northwest	
USDE	United States Department of Education	
WEA	Washington Education Association	National Education Association

WICHE	Western Interstate Commission of Higher Education	
WTECB	Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board	Governor

FREQUENT MISCELLANEOUS ACRONYMS	
ACRONYM	WHAT IT MEANS
AA	Associate in Arts Degree (see also DTA)
ABE	Adult Basic Education
ACE	American Council on Education (military credit recommendations)
ALEKS	Assessment and Learning in Knowledge Spaces
AP	Advanced Placement
BEdA	Basic Education for Adults
BFET	Basic Food and Employment Training (formerly FSET)
BIR	Building Improvement and Repairs
BIT	Behavioral Intervention Team
CASAS	Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment System
CBE	Competency Based Education
CBO	Community Based Organization
CE	Continuing Education
CGRC	Curriculum and Graduation Requirements Committee
CHS	College in the High School
CLC	Communications Learning Center
CLEP	College Level Examination Program
COOP	Continuity of Operations Plan
CTC	Community and Technical College
CTCLink	The implementation of a single, centralized system of online functions to give students, faculty and staff anytime, anywhere access to a modern, efficient way of doing their college business.
CTE	Career/Technical Education
CWCE	Center for Workforce and Continuing Education
DACUM	Developing a Curriculum (process)
DANTES	Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support
DEC	District Education Council
DFWI	Grades of D or F, Withdrawal or Incomplete
DLPT	Defense Language Proficiency Test
DRS	Diversity Requirement Subcommittee
DSSC	District Student Services Council
DTA	Direct Transfer Agreement
DWDC	District Workforce Development Council
EAN	Employee Action Notice
ECHS	Early College High School
EMP	Emergency Management Plan
ERP	Enterprise Resource Planning

ESL	English as a Second Language
FAFSA	Free Application for Federal Student Aid
FERPA	Family Education Rights and Privacy Act
FMS	Financial Management System
HSC	High School Completion
HSE	High School Equivalency (formerly GED)
HS21+	High School Twenty-one Plus
IB	International Baccalaureate
I-BEST	Integrated Basic Education and Skills Training
I-DEA	Integrated Digital English Acceleration
ICAPP	Interinstitutional Committee for Academic Program Planning (reports to COP)
IPEDS	Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System
IRB	Internal Review Board
IS	Interdisciplinary Studies Learning Community
ITALIC	Institutional Teaching and Learning Improvement Coordinating Committee
ITV	Interactive Television
LC	Learning Community
LEP	Limited English Proficient
MRP	Major Related Pathway
MRTE	Mutual Research Transcript Exchange
MMT	My Math Test
OBIS	Online Budget Information System
OG	Opportunity Grant
OGMS	Online Grant Management System
PBI	Public Baccalaureate Institution
PIER	Planning, Institutional Effectiveness, and Research
PLA	Prior Learning Assessment
QM	Quality Matters
RCW	Revised Code of Washington
RIF	Reduction in Force
RFP	Request for Proposals
RMI	Repairs, Maintenance, and Improvement
RS	Running Start
SAI	Student Achievement Initiative
SEVIS	Student and Exchange Visitor Information System
SEM	Strategic Enrollment Management
SI	Supplemental Instruction
SMS	Student Management System
SPOL	Strategic Planning Online
TANF	Temporary Assistance for Needy Families
TESOL	Teachers of English to Speakers of Other Languages

TIAA-CREF	Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association/College Retirement Equities Fund
TLTC	Teaching and Learning Technology Center
TOEFL	Test of English as a Foreign Language
TPA	Travel Prior Approval
TP	Tech Prep
VEBA	Voluntary Employee's Beneficiary Association
WAC	Washington Administrative Code
WF	WorkFirst
WRT	Worker Retraining Program