

Utah Parent and Families RESOURCE GUIDE *to Learning Disabilities*



In Utah

11.6%

of public school students received
special education services

35,105 CHILDREN

(ages 6-21) in 2018-19 in Utah were
identified as having specific learning
disabilities (SLDs)



Utah Learning Disabilities Laws & Guidelines

[Specific Learning Disabilities Eligibility
Guidelines \(UT SBOE, 2019\)](#)

[Process and Timeline for Special
Education Evaluation of Students in
Schools where Response to
Intervention \(RtI\) or Tiered Instruction
is Utilized in Order to Provide Effective
Instruction to all Students Memo
\(Utah SoE, 2011\)](#)

Utah Resources

- » [Learning Disabilities Association of
Utah](#)
- » [Utah State Board of Education's
Office of Special Education Services](#)
- » [Utah Special Education Advisory
Panel](#)
- » [Utah Parent Center](#)
- » [Rocky Mountain ADA Center](#)



Federal Laws Protecting the Rights of Students and Adults with Learning Disabilities



- » Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act
- » Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)
- » Americans with Disabilities Act
- » Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act
- » Every Student Succeeds Act
- » Research Excellence and Advancements for Dyslexia Act

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40%

Congress promised to fund the extra cost of special education in 1975 with IDEA

13%

The extra cost of special education that Congress appropriated in 2020

Nationwide

14% or 7 million

public school students received special education in 2017-18

Nationwide

34% or 2.38 million

public school students who received special education services had SLDs



PARENT RESOURCES

- » [What Every Parent Needs to Know About Learning Disabilities](#) (LDA of America)
- » [Developing Your Child's IEP](#) (Center for Parent Information & Resources)
- » [Understanding Special Education](#) (Understood)
- » [A Guide to the IEP](#) (U.S. Department of Education)