

**CADRE State Dispute Resolution Summary Report**  
**[A Five Year Summary of Reported Activity]**

Prepared by CADRE, the Center for Appropriate Dispute Resolution in Special Education, based on Annual Performance Report and IDEA Section 618 Dispute Resolution data reported to the Office of Special Education Programs of the U. S. Education Department.\*

School Year 2008-09		PENNSYLVANIA		Total Child Count (ages 3 to 21):		294,958		% Served (ages 6 to 17):		13.21%	
<u>Written Complaints</u>		Reported	Per 10K	<u>Mediations</u>		Reported	Per 10K	<u>Due Process Complaints</u>		Reported	Per 10K
(1) Filed		295	10.0	(1) Requests		403	13.7	3) DP Complaints Filed		782	26.5
(1.1) Reports Issued		162	5.5	(2.1)(a) Held, DP Related		65	2.2	(3.1) Resolution Meetings		338	11.5
(1.1)(a) Reports with Findings		99	3.4	(2.1)(a)(i) Agreements, DP Related		22	0.7	(3.1)(a) Settlement Agreements		139	4.7
[Reports with No Findings]		63	2.1	(2.1)(b) Held, Not DP Related		131	4.4	(3.2) Held (Fully Adjudicated)		54	1.8
(1.1)(b) Completed w/in 60 Days		161	5.5	(2.1)(b)(i) Agreements, Not DP Related		129	4.4	(3.2)(a) Decisions w/in 45 Days		24	0.8
(1.1)(c) Completed w/in Extension		1	0.0	[Total Held]		196	6.6	(3.2)(b) Decisions w/in Extension		30	1.0
[Total w/in Timelines]		162	5.5	[Total Agreements]		151	5.1	[Decisions Within Timelines]		54	1.8
(1.2) Withdrawn or Dismissed		127	4.3	(2.2) Mediations Not Held		207	7.0	[Pending]		221	7.5
(1.3) Pending		6	0.2					(3.3) Resolved w/o a Hearing		507	17.2
(1.3)(a) Pending Hearing		6	0.2								
<b><u>Expedited Due Process Complaints**</u></b>											
				(4) Expedited DP Complaints Filed		22	0.7				
				(4.1) [Expedited] Resolution Sessions		6	0.2				
				(4.1)(a) [Expedited] Settlement Agreements		6	0.2				
				(4.2) Expedited Hearings (fully adjudicated)		4	0.1				
				(4.2)(a) Change of Placement Ordered		1	0.0				

Notes: [Values in brackets] are calculated based on definitions from OSEP reporting instructions. (Numbers in parens) are item numbers from APR Table 7. "Per 10K" values equal the number of events divided by child count (3-21 years) times 10,000; these "per capita" rates allow comparisons of activity across states.

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School Year 2006-07      PENNSYLVANIA      Total Child Count (ages 3 to 21): 292,798      % Served (ages 6 to 17): 12.93%

<u>Written Complaints</u>	Reported	Per 10K	<u>Mediations</u>	Reported	Per 10K	<u>Due Process Complaints</u>	Reported	Per 10K	
(1) Filed	335	11.4	(1) Requests	304	10.4	3) DP Complaints Filed	739	25.2	
(1.1) Reports Issued	204	7.0	(2.1)(a) Held, DP Related	21	0.7	(3.1) Resolution Meetings	624	21.3	
(1.1)(a) Reports with Findings	157	5.4	(2.1)(a)(i) Agreements, DP Related	18	0.6	(3.1)(a) Settlement Agreements	127	4.3	
[Reports with No Findings]	47	1.6	(2.1)(b) Held, Not DP Related	137	4.7	(3.2) Held (Fully Adjudicated)	81	2.8	
(1.1)(b) Completed w/in 60 Days	335	11.4	(2.1)(b)(i) Agreements, Not DP Related	105	3.6	(3.2)(a) Decisions w/in 45 Days	28	1.0	
(1.1)(c) Completed w/in Extension	0	0.0	[Total Held]	158	5.4	(3.2)(b) Decisions w/in Extension	53	1.8	
[Total w/in Timelines]	335	11.4	[Total Agreements]	123	4.2	[Decisions Within Timelines]	81	2.8	
(1.2) Withdrawn or Dismissed	118	4.0	(2.2) Mediations Not Held	146	5.0	[Pending]	127	4.3	
(1.3) Pending	13	0.4				(3.3) Resolved w/o a Hearing	531	18.1	
(1.3)(a) Pending Hearing	13	0.4							
<u>Expedited Due Process Complaints**</u>									
							(4) Expedited DP Complaints Filed	27	0.9
							(4.1) [Expedited] Resolution Sessions	10	0.3
							(4.1)(a) [Expedited] Settlement Agreements	4	0.1
							(4.2) Expedited Hearings (fully adjudicated)	5	0.2
							(4.2)(a) Change of Placement Ordered	1	0.0

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**School Year 2005-06**      **PENNSYLVANIA**      **Total Child Count (ages 3 to 21):** 288,733      **% Served (ages 6 to 17):** 12.73%

<u>Written Complaints</u>	Reported	Per 10K	<u>Mediations</u>	Reported	Per 10K	<u>Due Process Complaints</u>	Reported	Per 10K	
(1) Filed	441	15.3	(1) Requests	344	11.9	3) DP Complaints Filed	760	26.3	
(1.1) Reports Issued	303	10.5	(2.1)(a) Held, DP Related	17	0.6	(3.1) Resolution Meetings	368	12.7	
(1.1)(a) Reports with Findings	182	6.3	(2.1)(a)(i) Agreements, DP Related	13	0.5	(3.1)(a) Settlement Agreements	246	8.5	
[Reports with No Findings]	121	4.2	(2.1)(b) Held, Not DP Related	171	5.9	(3.2) Held (Fully Adjudicated)	113	3.9	
(1.1)(b) Completed w/in 60 Days	302	10.5	(2.1)(b)(i) Agreements, Not DP Related	136	4.7	(3.2)(a) Decisions w/in 45 Days	36	1.2	
(1.1)(c) Completed w/in Extension	1	0.0	[Total Held]	188	6.5	(3.2)(b) Decisions w/in Extension	73	2.5	
[Total w/in Timelines]	303	10.5	[Total Agreements]	149	5.2	[Decisions Within Timelines]	109	3.8	
(1.2) Withdrawn or Dismissed	121	4.2	(2.2) Mediations Not Held	156	5.4	[Pending]	128	4.4	
(1.3) Pending	17	0.6				(3.3) Resolved w/o a Hearing	519	18.0	
(1.3)(a) Pending Hearing	17	0.6							
<u>Expedited Due Process Complaints**</u>									
							(4) Expedited DP Complaints Filed	34	1.2
							(4.1) [Expedited] Resolution Sessions	14	0.5
							(4.1)(a) [Expedited] Settlement Agreements	13	0.5
							(4.2) Expedited Hearings (fully adjudicated)	9	0.3
							(4.2)(a) Change of Placement Ordered	0	0.0

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