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# Directory of Acronyms

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*C.A.S.H. has created this acronym book as a helpful resource tool for those in the school facilities industry. This document is a work in progress and does not constitute a complete list of industry acronyms.*

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COPs – Certificate of Participation

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APDM – Alternative Project Delivery Method  
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## **High Performance:**

CHPS – Collaborative for High Performance Schools

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## Other:

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