Teachers in the US rate their lives better than all other occupation groups, trailing only physicians.

**SALARY**

- The average wage of all full-time workers in the county: **$53,508**

**Base Salary**

- **1st Year Teacher** with a B.A.: **$49,530-$53,021**
- **15th Year Teacher** with a M.A.+ **$81,872-$81,872**

Data from 2023-2024

**Plus**

- **FOR COACHING** like head coach or assistant coach: **$1,424-$17,650**
- **FOR CLUBS** like band, robotics, or yearbook: **$1,000-$10,000**

**HOUSING**

- Median home value: **$176,943**

- Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: **$805**

**A salary of $51,300 can buy a home like this:**

- **$209,900**

*With a 5% down payment, spending 36% of their income on housing

**A salary of $81,800 can buy a home like this:**

- **$397,000**

*With a 20% down payment, spending 36% of their income on housing

**RETIREMENT**

- Teacher average retirement age: **59**
- All careers average retirement age: **63**

**4 YEARS EARLIER**

- Many teaching jobs have better retirement benefits than other jobs you can get with the same degree.

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