# A TEACHER'S LIFE BY NUMBERS THE



Boulder County (East), CO

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: \$81,224\*

## Base Salary ---

1<sup>st</sup> Year Teacher with a B.A.

\$56,000-\$60,275

Data from 2023-2024

# 15<sup>th</sup> Year Teacher with a M.A.+

\$86,655-\$95,575

#### Plus

\$ 4,000-\$11,070 FOR LARGE COMMITMENTS like head coach, debate, or band



\$1,300 -\$3,900

**FOR SMALL COMMITMENTS** like robotics club or yearbook

## **HOUSING**

Median home value: \$557,376\*

Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: \$1,724\*

A salary of **\$58,000** can buy a home like this:\*



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

A salary of \$90,000 can buy a home like this:\*



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

## **RETIREMENT**

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



Teacher average retirement age

## **4 YEARS EARLIER**

All careers average retirement age

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\*U.S. Bureau of Labor and Statistics, Zillow, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development















