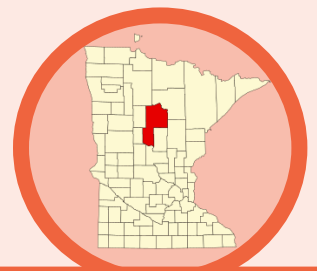


# A TEACHER'S LIFE BY THE NUMBERS



Cass County, MN

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

## SALARY

Base Salary →

The **average** wage of all **full-time workers** in the county: **\$46,176\***



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

**\$45,568 - \$64,725**

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

**\$76,178 - \$91,589**

Data from 2026-2027

Plus

**\$2,248 - \$8,939**

**FOR LARGE COMMITMENTS** like head coach, debate, or band



**\$414 - \$8,939**

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

## HOUSING

Median **home value**: **\$347,262\***



Fair Market rent for a **2-bedroom apartment**: **\$944\***



A salary of **\$55,000** can buy a home like this: \*



**\$239,900**

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

A salary of **\$84,000** can buy a home like this: \*



**\$407,500**

\*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.



**59** Teacher average retirement age

**4 YEARS EARLIER**

**63** All careers average retirement age

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