A TEACHER’S LIFE BY THE NUMBERS

Mille Lacs County, MN

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: $45,396*

- **Base Salary**
  - 1st Year Teacher with a B.A.: $41,373-$54,942
  - 15th Year Teacher with a M.A.: $64,517-$79,596

Data from 2022-2024

- **Plus**
  - FOR COACHING like head coach or assistant coach: $709 - $8,128
  - FOR CLUBS like band, robotics, or yearbook: $201 - $6,827

**HOUSING**

- **Median home value:** $277,256*
- **Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment:** $1,058*

A salary of $47,800 can buy a home like this: ★ $172,000

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

A salary of $71,900 can buy a home like this: ★ $339,900

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

**RETIREMENT**

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

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

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

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