

# A TEACHER'S LIFE BY THE NUMBERS



Christian County, MO

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

## SALARY

Base Salary →

Plus

The average wage of all full-time workers in the county: **\$39,936\***



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

**\$41,000-  
\$42,900**



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

**\$54,375-  
\$59,953**



Data from 2023-2024

**\$1,640 -  
\$12,590**

**FOR COACHING**  
like head coach or assistant coach



**\$401 -  
\$11,840**

**FOR CLUBS**

like band, robotics, or yearbook

## HOUSING

Median home value: **\$290,595\***



Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: **\$871\***



A salary of **\$42,000** can buy a home like this:★



**\$160,000**

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

A salary of **\$57,200** can buy a home like this:★



**\$300,000**

\*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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