# A TEACHER'S LIFE BY NUMBERS THE



Erie County, PA

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: \$45,240\*

## Base Salary ---

1st Year Teacher with a B.A.

\$43,675-\$51,090

Data from 2022-2023

# 15<sup>th</sup> Year Teacher

with a M.A.+

\$64,236-\$79,388

#### Plus

\$4,357-\$9,083 FOR LARGE COMMITMENTS like head coach, debate, or band



\$254-\$1.994

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

# **HOUSING**

Median home value: \$182,859\*

Fair Market rent for a 2-bedroom apartment: \$844\*

A salary of **\$47,000** can buy a home like this:\*



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

A salary of \$70,000 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















