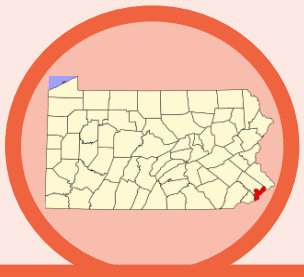
A TEACHER'S LIFE BY THE NUMBERS



Philadelphia 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: **$85,852***

Base Salary

1st Year Teacher with a B.A.
$57,444 - $59,873

15th Year Teacher with a M.A.+
$96,832 - $114,041

Data from 2026-2027

Plus

$3,386 - $9,484
FOR LARGE COMMITMENTS like head coach, debate, or band





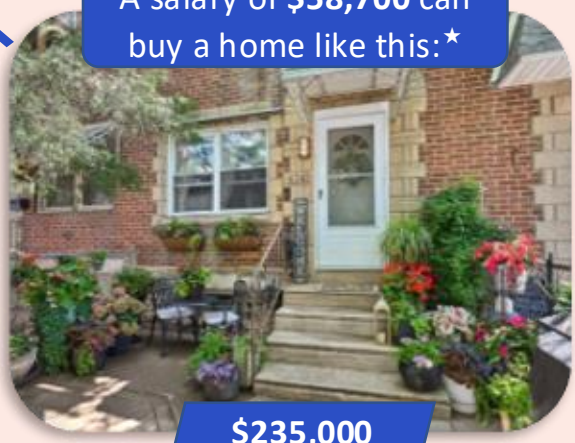
$750 - $5,000
FOR SMALL COMMITMENTS like robotics club or yearbook

HOUSING

Median **home** value: **$234,557***

Fair Market rent for a **2-bedroom apartment: $1,802***

A salary of **$58,700** can buy a home like this:*



$235,000

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

A salary of **$105,400** can buy a home like this: *



$500,000

*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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