



## Chicago Teacher Salaries in the Regional Chicago Context

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### 1. How do salaries for Chicago Public School teachers stack up with other comparable fields in the Chicago area?

The following table summarizes annual salaries in the greater Chicago region by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. While annual incomes are comparable, teachers' weekly wages are substantially higher because teachers work so many fewer weeks in each 12-month period. For their salary, Chicago teachers are scheduled to work 177 days a year, amounting to 35.4 weeks. The contract is written for 208 days but includes 10 vacation days, 8 holidays, 10 sick days, and 3 personal days

	<b>Annual salary</b> in greater chicago area (BLS)	<b>Weekly wage</b> (assumes 45 weeks of work)
Computer programmer	\$74,450	\$1,654
Reporter and correspondent	\$62,080	\$1,380
Engineer (all architecture and engineering occupations)	\$74,200	\$1,649
Editor	\$53,590	\$1,191
Accountant	\$74,760	\$1,661
	<b>Median Salary in CPS</b>	<b>Weekly wage</b> (assumes 35.4 weeks of work)
<i>CPS Teacher</i>	\$74,859	\$2,115

### 2. How do teacher salaries compare to all other Chicago workers?

The following table provides summary data on all workers and households in the City of Chicago, as reported by the Census Bureau for 2006-2010. Teacher salaries are for the current school year.

Median City of Chicago household income	\$46,877
Median earnings for male full-time workers, City of Chicago	\$44,703
Median earnings for female full-time workers, City of Chicago	\$39,581
<i>Median CPS teacher Income</i>	\$74,859

### 3. How much compensation are CPS public school teachers being offered today?

Median teacher compensation will be:

\$ 74,859	salary
\$ 5,241	pension contribution
\$ 22,276	other benefits
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\$102,376	per teacher

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