

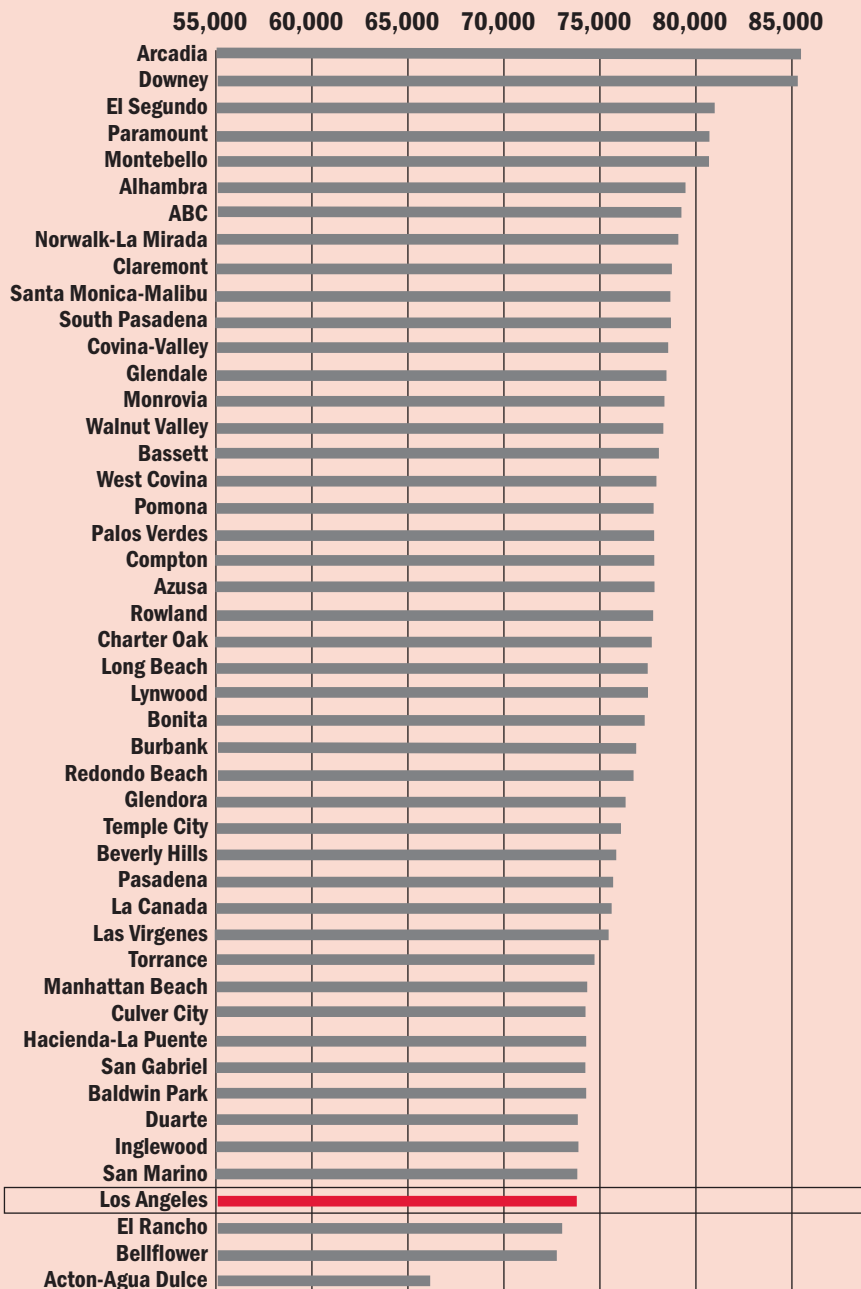
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Teacher salaries sink lower in county rankings

County pay rankings based on maximum salary with 25 years



With neighboring school districts giving raises while LAUSD teachers go without, LAUSD pay has sunk even lower in L.A. County rankings.

Teacher salaries dropped another two notches and now rank 44th out of 47 school districts when measuring maximum salary. The news is just as bad at most stages of the salary schedule, with LAUSD beating only a handful of other districts.

While District bureaucrats waste millions on administration and high-priced consultants, they're letting our pay sink even lower. The time for a raise is now before we hit rock bottom.

Every year, countless talented educators leave LAUSD for better pay in neighboring school districts. The only way to stop the brain drain and keep the talent in our schools is with a fair salary increase that begins to make LAUSD pay competitive.

With the new superintendent starting at a salary of \$300,000, the discrepancy between teacher and administrator salaries has never been more glaring. The District must understand this issue and must begin to pay decent and competitive salaries. Nothing less is acceptable.