Best Elementary Schools: Lake County

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			SCHOOL DESCRIPTION		TEACHER STATS		RESULTS	S	
SCHOOL	DISTRICT NAME	CITY	GRADES	ENROLLMENT	% LOW INCOME	AVERAGE EXPERIENCE	AVERAGE SALARY	% MEETS/ EXCEEDS	RANK
Daniel Wright Junior High School	Lincolnshire-Prairieview SD 103	Lincolnshire	5-8	796	0.0	13.6	\$69,850	97.7	1
Half Day School	Lincolnshire-Prairieview SD 103	Lincolnshire	3-4	355	0.3	13.6	\$69,850	97.7	2
Oak Grove Elementary School	Oak Grove SD 68	Green Oaks	K-8	1,051	0.3	12.8	\$67,415	95.4	3
Everett Elementary School	Lake Forest SD 67	Lake Forest	K-4	401	0.2	11.4	\$64,494	97.2	4
Deer Path Middle School West	Lake Forest SD 67	Lake Forest	7-8	532	0.9	11.4	\$64,494	96.9	5
Deer Path Middle School East	Lake Forest SD 67	Lake Forest	5-6	506	1.2	11.4	\$64,494	96.3	6
Lake Bluff Middle School	Lake Bluff Elementary SD 65	Lake Bluff	6-8	384	10.7	11.5	\$63,541	93.7	7
Cherokee Elementary School	Lake Forest SD 67	Lake Forest	K-4	401	0.2	11.4	\$64,494	94.9	8
Ravinia Elementary School	North Shore SD 112	Highland Park	K-5	303	2.6	11.2	\$68,840	97.4	9
Lincoln Elementary School	North Shore SD 112	Highland Park	K-5	281	2.1	11.2	\$68,840	96.7	10
Edgewood Middle School	North Shore SD 112	Highland Park	6-8	575	3.8	11.2	\$68,840	95.4	11
Braeside Elementary School	North Shore SD 112	Highland Park	K-5	288	0.3	11.2	\$68,840	94.2	12
Elm Place School	North Shore SD 112	Highland Park	6-8	496	9.1	11.2	\$68,840	93.8	13
Wayne Thomas Elementary School	North Shore SD 112	Highland Park	K-5	359	8.1	11.2	\$68,840	92.9	14
Bannockburn School	Bannockburn SD 106	Bannockburn	K-8	186	7.0	17.7	\$67,036	95.9	15
Ivy Hall Elementary School	Kildeer Countryside CCSD 96	Buffalo Grove	1-5	441	3.2	11.8	\$64,437	95.9	16

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Carl Sandburg Middle School

Mechanics Grovve Elementary

Lincoln Elementary School

Lake Zurich Middle School -

Spencer Loomis Elementary

Seth Paine Elementary School

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TEACHER STATS **RESULTS** AVERAGE AVERAGE % MEETS/ **RANK EXPERIENCE EXCEEDS SALARY** 38 13.3 \$67,085 94.7 94.7 13.3 \$67,085 39 11.8 \$60,530 95.8 40 95.1 11.8 \$60,530 41 11.8 42 \$60,530 94.2 11.8 \$60,530 94.0 43 10.7 \$46,389 92.7 44 11.8 92.7 45 \$64,437 8.3 \$38,040 96.1 46 8.3 \$38,040 96.1 47 10.5 \$48,272 89.2 48 10.5 \$48,272 88.9 49 10.5 \$48,272 85.8 50 12.0 \$66,752 92.7 51 12.0 52 \$66,752 91.9 12.0 \$66,752 91.0 53 12.0 \$66,752 90.9 54 12.0 \$66,752 90.6 55 12.0 88.6 56 \$66,752 12.9 91.8 57 \$58,434

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SCHOOL	DISTRICT NAME	CITY	GRADES	ENROLLMENT	% LOW INCOME	AVERAGE EXPERIENCE	AVERAGE SALARY	% MEETS/ EXCEEDS	RANK
Hawthorn Middle School North	Hawthorn CCSD 73	Vernon Hills	6-8	639	23.2	12.9	\$58,434	89.8	59
Hawthorn Elementary School South	Hawthorn CCSD 73	Vernon Hills	K-5	600	19.5	12.9	\$58,434	86.0	60
Red Oak Elementary School	North Shore SD 112	Highland Park	K-5	335	28.7	11.2	\$68,840	84.7	61
Northwood Junior High School	North Shore SD 112	Highland Park	6–8	420	38.1	11.2	\$68,840	82.8	62
Oak Terrace Elementary School	North Shore SD 112	Highwood	K-5	554	66.1	11.2	\$68,840	71.0	63
Millburn West	Millburn CCSD 24	Lindenhurst	pre-K-8	546	3.3	10.1	\$48,815	96.3	64
Gurnee Grade School	Gurnee SD 56	Gurnee	K-8	418	9.3	12.5	\$58,353	90.7	65
Rockland Elementary School	Libertyville SD 70	Libertyville	K-5	365	4.4	11.8	\$60,530	91.0	66
Woodland Middle School	Woodland CCSD 50	Gurnee	6-8	2,441	18.9	10.0	\$54,797	87.6	67
Grass Lake Elementary School	Grass Lake SD 36	Antioch	pre-K-8	212	18.4	18.5	\$48,882	79.3	68
West Oak Middle School	Diamond Lake SD 76	Mundelein	5–8	488	41.8	9.6	\$53,968	82.0	69
Diamond Lake Elementary School	Diamond Lake SD 76	Mundelein	2-4	373	49.3	9.6	\$53,968	76.6	70
Stanton School	Fox Lake Grade SD 114	Fox Lake	6-8	268	29.9	11.8	\$48,340	90.6	71
Fremont Middle School	Fremont SD 79	Mundelein	6–8	687	6.7	10.8	\$59,727	92.6	72
Woodview School	Grayslake CCSD 46	Grayslake	K-4	403	11.7	9.1	\$53,304	92.8	73
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Fremont Intermediate School	Fremont SD 79	Mundelein	3–5	703	6.1	10.8	\$59,727	90.9	75
Meadowview School	Grayslake CCSD 46	Grayslake	K-4	459	0.0	9.1	\$53,304	91.4	76
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Grayslake Middle School	Grayslake CCSD 46	Grayslake	7–8	805	15.9	9.1	\$53,304	88.7	78
Grayslake Middle School	Grayslake CCSD 46	Grayslake	7–8	805	15.9	9.1	\$53,304	88.7	79
Hawthorn Elementary School North	Hawthorn CCSD 73	Vernon Hills	K-5	475	40.2	12.9	\$58,434	81.9	80
Peter J Palombi School	Lake Villa CCSD 41	Lake Villa	7–8	695	6.8	10.1	\$48,815	92.3	81
William L Thompson School	Lake Villa CCSD 41	Lake Villa	K-6	661	2.1	10.1	\$48,815	92.1	82
B J Hooper Elementary School	Lake Villa CCSD 41	Lindenhurst	K-6	616	2.6	10.1	\$48,815	89.3	83

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GRADES	ENROLLMENT	% LOW INCOME	AVERAGE EXPERIENCE	AVERAGE SALARY	% MEETS/ EXCEEDS	RANK			
6-8	256	16.0	14.9	\$59,020	87.1	84			
K-5	631	23.9	11.0	\$64,498	90.1	85			
pre-K-5	712	16.4	11.0	\$64,498	87.8	86			
4–5	1,546	19.5	10.0	\$54,797	85.5	87			
6-8	624	18.3	12.5	\$58,353	85.6	88			
3–5	530	23.4	12.5	\$58,353	83.3	89			
6	260	72.7	12.7	\$57,999	67.6	90			
K-5	466	43.8	12.7	\$57,999	64.1	91			
K-5	393	81.4	12.7	\$57,999	61.7	92			
K-5	328	74.4	12.7	\$57,999	57.0	93			
K-5	329	84.8	12.7	\$57,999	52.7	94			
7–8	536	70.3	12.7	\$57,999	48.9	95			
K-5	232	87.1	12.7	\$57,999	47.6	96			
K-5	407	93.1	12.7	\$57,999	41.6	97			
K-6	348	74.1	12.7	\$62,762	74.1	98			
K-6	475	87.6	12.7	\$62,762	70.9	99			
3–5	517	15.3	6.9	\$47,153	85.5	100			
6–8	443	12.9	6.9	\$47,153	82.1	101			
2-5	451	10.9	10.7	\$49,872	88.6	102			
6-8	968	12.9	10.7	\$49,872	87.0	103			
2-5	447	18.3	10.7	\$49,872	86.4	104			
5-8	284	24.3	9.1	\$53,304	83.5	105			

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Frederick School	Grayslake CCSD 46	Grayslake	5-6	844	17.8	9.1	\$53,304	81.2	109
Kenneth Murphy School	Beach Park CCSD 3	Beach Park	pre-K-5	511	32.9	10.6	\$54,651	79.3	110
Howe Elementary School	Beach Park CCSD 3	Beach Park	K-5	399	49.4	10.6	\$54,651	78.0	111
Beach Park Middle School	Beach Park CCSD 3	Beach Park	6-8	883	34.3	10.6	\$54,651	74.6	112
Newport Elementary School	Beach Park CCSD 3	Wadsworth	K-5	396	44.2	10.6	\$54,651	74.1	113
Oak Crest School	Beach Park CCSD 3	Beach Park	pre-K-5	429	28.7	10.6	\$54,651	69.4	114
East Elementary School	Lake Bluff Elementary SD 65	Lake Bluff	K-2	278	5.4	11.5	\$63,541	-	115
Laura B Sprague School	Lincolnshire-Prairieview SD 103	Lincolnshire	pre-K-2	493	0.2	13.6	\$69,850	-	116
Andrew Cooke Magnet Elementary School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	K-5	491	50.7	10.6	\$54,785	83.3	117
H R McCall Elementary School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	K-5	442	54.3	10.6	\$54,785	75.9	118
Washington Elementary School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	1–5	589	81.3	10.6	\$54,785	74.9	119
Gleenwood Elementary School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	1–5	298	76.8	10.6	\$54,785	73.7	120
John S Clark Elementary School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	1–5	268	81.0	10.6	\$54,785	72.3	121
Little Fort Elementary School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	1–5	592	79.9	10.6	\$54,785	69.3	122
Robert E Abbott Middle School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	6-8	819	75.0	10.6	\$54,785	68.8	123
Westfield School	Winthrop Harbor SD 1	Winthrop Harbor	2-5	291	21.0	14.9	\$59,020	85.6	124
Olive C Martin School	Lake Villa CCSD 41	Lake Villa	K-6	652	2.8	10.1	\$48,815	85.0	125
Wauconda Grade School	Wauconda CUSD 118	Wauconda	K-5	576	27.8	11.0	\$64,498	85.0	126
Wauconda Middle School	Wauconda CUSD 118	Wauconda	6–8	451	25.9	11.0	\$64,498	83.4	127
Fairhaven School	Diamond Lake SD 76	Mundelein	pre-K-1	310	39.0	9.6	\$53,968	-	128
Howard A Yeager Elementary School	North Chicago SD 187	North Chicago	pre-K-K	241	82.2	12.7	\$57,999	-	129
Indian Hill Elementary School	Round Lake CUSD 116	Round Lake Height	1-5	611	46.5	12.2	\$60,384	75.2	130
Village Elementary School	Round Lake CUSD 116	Round Lake	pre-K-5	452	33.6	12.2	\$60,384	71.6	131
W J Murphy Elementary School	Round Lake CUSD 116	Round Lake Park	1–5	640	56.7	12.2	\$60,384	68.2	132

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Elmwood Elementary School	Zion Elementary SD 6	Zion	K-6	334	78.1	12.7	\$62,762	67.8	133
East Elementary School	Zion Elementary SD 6	Zion	K-6	344	81.1	12.7	\$62,762	67.3	134
Central Junior High School	Zion Elementary SD 6	Zion	7–8	580	58.4	12.7	\$62,762	66.2	135
West Elementary School	Zion Elementary SD 6	Zion	K-6	485	75.7	12.7	\$62,762	63.0	136
Willow Grove Kindergarten Center	Kildeer Countryside CCSD 96	Buffalo Grove	К	307	0.7	11.8	\$64,437	-	137
Washington Elementary School	Mundelein Elementary SD 75	Mundelein	pre-K-1	491	13.6	10.5	\$48,272	-	138
Antioch Elementary School	Antioch CCSD 34	Antioch	2-5	375	26.4	10.7	\$49,872	83.3	139
Gavin Central School	Gavin SD 37	Ingleside	1-5	496	43.1	10.9	\$50,522	79.7	140
Gavin South Junior High School	Gavin SD 37	Ingleside	pre-K-K, 6-8	492	34.1	10.9	\$50,522	77.9	141
Thomas Jefferspn Middle School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	6-8	851	72.6	10.6	\$54,785	67.7	142
Glen Flora Elementary School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	1–5	450	89.8	10.6	\$54,785	66.5	143
Jack Benny Middle School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	6–8	682	71.7	10.6	\$54,785	64.4	144
North Elementary School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	K-5	634	88.8	10.6	\$54,785	63.5	145
Lyon Magnet Elementary School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	K-5	512	85.4	10.6	\$54,785	62.8	146
Oakdale Elementary School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	1–5	547	88.5	10.6	\$54,785	62.7	147
Hyde Park Elementary School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	1–5	291	85.9	10.6	\$54,785	59.6	148
Baniel Webster Middle School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	6-8	612	75.5	10.6	\$54,785	58.9	149
Miguel Juarez Middle School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	6-8	753	76.4	10.6	\$54,785	58.6	150
Clearview Elementary School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	1–5	685	90.4	10.6	\$54,785	55.7	151
Carman-Buckner Elementary School	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	1-5	616	90.7	10.6	\$54,785	41.5	152
Joseph J Pleviak Elementary School	Lake Villa CCSD 41	Lake Villa	pre-K-6	609	3.9	10.1	\$48,815	38.8	153
Spaulding Elementary School	Gurnee SD 56	Gurnee	pre-K-2	592	18.8	12.5	\$58,353	-	154
Magee Middle School	Round Lake CUSD 116	Round Lake	6–8	623	61.2	12.2	\$60,384	67.4	155
Round Lake Middle School	Round Lake CUSD 116	Round Lake Height	6-8	947	59.3	12.2	\$60,384	66.3	156

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Round Lake Beach Elementary School	Round Lake CUSD 116	Round Lake Beach	1-5	584	66.3	12.2	\$60,384	65.0	157
Raymond Ellis Elementary School	Round Lake CUSD 116	Round Lake Beach	1-5	737	62.7	12.2	\$60,384	57.4	158
Big Hollow Primary School	Big Hollow SD 38	Ingleside	pre-K-2	592	11.0	6.9	\$47,153	-	169
Fremont Elementary School	Fremont SD 79	Mundelein	pre-K-2	763	6.9	10.8	\$59,727	-	160
Whittier Kindergarten Center	Waukegan CUSD 60	Waukegan	К	1,022	73.8	10.6	\$54,785	-	161
Spring Bluff Elementary School	Winthrop Harbor SD 1	Winthrop Harbor	K-1	120	5.0	14.9	\$59,020	-	162
Early Education Center	Round Lake CUSD 116	Round Lake	К	506	2.2	12.2	\$60,384	-	163
Hillcrest Elementary School	Antioch CCSD 34	Antioch	pre-K-2	854	19.6	10.7	\$49,872	-	164