Like many college graduates, you may be concerned about paying off student loans and achieving financial stability. Recognizing this, Teach For America is committed to making teaching a viable option for everyone, regardless of their financial situation.

A common misconception about Teach For America is that corps members are volunteers. This is untrue. Corps members work as full-time teachers, receiving a full teacher’s salary and benefits. In addition, corps members can take advantage of a range of resources to ease the financial burden that many young people face today.

The details

Full salary and health benefits
Corps members are all school district employees and receive the same salaries and health benefits as other beginning teachers. Salaries range from $27,000 to $47,000, depending on the placement region.

Transitional expenses and no-interest loans
Together with Visa, our National Corporate Partner, Teach For America offers no-interest loans and transitional grants ranging from $1,000 to $6,000. Packages are designed to help corps members cover moving and start-up expenses and are based on demonstrated need and cost of living in the corps member’s assigned region. Teach For America also covers expenses during the summer institute (e.g., housing, food).

AmeriCorps education awards*
Teach For America is currently a member of AmeriCorps, the national service network. All corps members who have not previously received AmeriCorps awards receive an education award of $4,725 at the end of each year of teaching, totaling $9,450 over two years. Corps members are eligible for loan forbearance and interest payments on student loans.

Graduate school partnerships and scholarships
More than 100 graduate schools, including top-ranked programs in business, law, medicine, education, public policy, the sciences, and engineering seek out our alumni, such as Harvard, Stanford, the University of California, Berkeley and the University of Michigan. Benefits include two-year deferrals and scholarships. [www.teachforamerica.org/grad](http://www.teachforamerica.org/grad).

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*While Teach For America is currently a member of AmeriCorps, we cannot guarantee these benefits for the 2009 corps given the nature of the AmeriCorps competitive grant process and the dependence on congressional funding cycles. Teach For America anticipates receiving final confirmation on education awards for next year in spring 2009.