

## Teacher pay ranking revised, Fresno Unified still tops California's big-city districts

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In a September file photo, Ewing Elementary teacher Maria Rodriguez teaches a lesson in Spanish in her Pre-Kindergarten Immersion class, talking to 4-year-old Jayden Reyna, left.

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The authors of a report published last week showing how well teachers in big city districts are paid [revised their rankings](#), putting Fresno Unified at No. 36 among the 113 districts studied. The district was initially ranked No. 29.

National Council on Teacher Quality officials said they updated the report after realizing an error in how they calculated the differences in cost-of-living among the cities studied.

A school official in New York City alerted the organization about the mistake late last week, said Nancy Waymack, managing director for district policy at the National Council on Teacher Quality.

Fresno Unified still is first among California districts on the ranking, which looks at the lifetime earnings of teachers and how long it takes to reach the top of the pay ladder.

Long Beach is No. 48 and Sacramento came in at No. 50 on the revised ranking. San Diego, Los Angeles, Oakland and San Francisco scored in the bottom half of the list.

Pittsburgh and Washington, D.C., topped the new list, with exemplary teachers in those cities earning more than \$2.6 million over a lifetime.

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