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PLCS:A Great Place to Live and Work

The mission of Papillion La Vista Community Schools, an organization dedicated to greatness, is to prepare all students to realize their unique aspirations through rigorous instructional and innovative educational pathways, delivered by highly qualified, passionate educators through bold partnerships with families and community.

Discover the Greatness in Papillion La Vista Community Schools!

Located just south of Omaha, PLCS residents benefit from a small town atmosphere while still having all of the conveniences of a metropolitan area. Serving just over 12,000 students, PLCS is the fourth largest public school district in Nebraska.

16 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

MIDDLE SCHOOLS HIGH SCHOOLS

ALTERNATIVE PROGRAM 9 BUILDINGS WITH PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS





2024-2025 PLCS Data

ENROLLMENT

12,069

GRADUATION RATE

96.48%

FREE AND REDUCED

30.43%

STUDENT MINORITY

29.33%

STUDENTS IN MILITARY FAMILIES

8%

EMPLOYEES

1,729

AVERAGE YEARS OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE

14

TEACHERS WITH MASTERS DEGREES

71%

AVERAGE CLASS SIZES

19.59 20.85

ELEMENTARY MIDDLE HIGH

24.07

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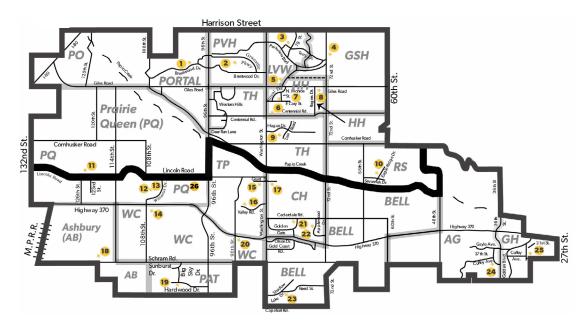
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Map & Boundaries



1. Portal Elementary

402-898-0425

9920 Brentwood Dr, La Vista, NE 68128

2. Parkview Heights Elementary*

402-898-0433

7609 South 89th St, La Vista, NE 68128

3. La Vista West Elementary*

402-898-0463 7821 Terry Dr, La Vista, NE 68128

4. G. Stanley Hall Elementary* 402-898-0455

7600 South 72nd St, La Vista, NE 68128

5. La Vista Middle School 402-898-0436 7900 Edgewood Blvd, La Vista, NE 68128

6. Papillion La Vista High School

402-898-0400 303 East Cary St, Papillion, NE 68046

7. Early Childhood Center* 402-514-3243 1211 N. Monroe St, Papillion, NE 68046

8. Hickory Hill Elementary 402-898-0469 1307 Rogers Dr, Papillion, NE 68046

9. Tara Heights Elementary

402-898-0445 700 Tara Rd, Papillion, NE 68046

10. Rumsey Station Elementary* 402-898-0475

110 Eagle Ridge Dr, Papillion, NE 68133

11. Prairie Queen Elementary 402-514-3650 10520 S. 123rd Ave, Papillion, NE 68046

12. Young Adult Transition Program

402-898-1970

10820 Wittmus Dr, Papillion, NE 68046

13. Liberty Middle School

402-514-3600

10820 Wittmus Dr, Papillion, NE 68046

14. Papillion La Vista South High School 402-829-4600

10799 Highway 370, Papillion, -NE 68046

15. District Office 402-537-6200 420 S Washington St, Papillion, NE 68046

16. Trumble Park Elementary 402-898-0466

500 Valley Rd, Papillion, NE 68046

17. Papillion Middle School 402-898-0424

423 S Washington St, Papillion, NE 68046

18. Ashbury Elementary* 402-514-3680 11740 S. 120th St, Papillion, NE 68046

19. Patriot Elementary

402-898-0405 1701 Hardwood Dr, Papillion, NE 68046

20. Walnut Creek Elementary*

402-898-9630

720 Fenwick St, Papillion, NE 68046

21. Carriage Hill Elementary* 402-898-0449

400 Cedardale Rd, Papillion, NE 68046

22. IDEAL Program

402-898-0485 1104 Applewood Dr, Papillion, NE 68046

23. Bell Elementary

402-898-0408

7909 Reed St. Papillion, NE 68046

24. Anderson Grove Elementary

402-898-0479

11820 South 37th St, Bellevue, NE 68123

25. Golden Hills Elementary*

402-898-0459

2912 Coffey Avenue, Bellevue, NE 68123

26. New Elementary

Opening in Fall 202

98th Street & Lincoln Road

*Building houses preschool

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2025-2026 Certified Staff Calendar

1 August New SPED Certified Staff 4-6 August New Certified Staff

7 August First Certified Staff Day

12 August First day of school 1/2 day: K-7th and 9th No school: 8th, 10th-12th

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1 September No school Labor Day

2 September No school Staff Development

22 September No school Staff Development

10 October No school

13 October No school Staff Development Para Conference

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3 November No Elementary Elementary Staff Planning Day

26 November No school Staff Development Trade Day

27-28 November No school - Fall Break

19 December End of 1st semester

22-31 December No school Winter Break

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March 2026

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1-2 January No school - Winter Break

5 January No school Staff Development

19 January No school Staff Development

6 February No Elementary Elementary Staff Planning Day

16 February No school Staff Development Para Conference

| | | Febr | uary | 2026 | | |
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| ATURDAY | 16-20 Marcl |
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| / | No school |
| 14 | Spring Break |
| 21 | Spring break |

3 April No school 6 April No school Staff Development

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22 May Last day of school 1/2 day for K--11 25 May

Memorial Day 26-28 May Possible makeup days

School Day Times

Elementary:

8:05 a.m. – 3:05 p.m. 1st Semester 84.5 days; 2nd Semester 88.5 days = 173 days

Middle School:

8:00 a.m. - 3:10 p.m.

High School:

8:00 a.m. – 3:20 p.m. Middle and High Schools begin at 8:20 a.m. every Wednesday 1st Semester is 85.5 days 2nd Semester is 89.5 days = 175 Days New Certified Days

First/Last Student Half Day

No School for Teachers or Students

Staff Development Day

Elementary Staff Planning Day

The calendar reflects 187 days of the 190day teacher contract. It does not show three paid days for Parent-Teacher Conferences and planning time.



Competitive Salary and Exceptional Benefits

Total Starting Compensation: \$73,600.52

Total starting compensation including salary and all benefits (based on family insurance) for a 1st year teacher with a bachelor's degree.

Health Insurance Plans

PLCS pays 100% of the healthcare premium for employee only PPO insurance plans and all high deductible plans. PLCS pays 93% of the premium for all other PPO plans.

| | PPO | | Deductible HSA | | |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| | Monthly Premium | Monthly Premium | PLCS Monthly Contribution to Employee HSA | Dental Monthly Premium | Annual Amount Paid by PLCS |
| Employee Only | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$70.74 | \$0.00 | \$9,968.76 |
| Employee & Children | \$103.47 | \$0.00 | \$27.39 | \$26.98 | \$16,876.84 |
| Employee & Spouse | \$117.45 | \$0.00 | \$31.06 | \$34.92 | \$19,105.50 |
| Employee, Spouse & Children | \$157.70 | \$0.00 | \$41.75 | \$57.83 | \$25,523.39 |

Alternate Network Selections

PLCS insurance plans offer three network selections from which you can choose. The network is selected by you based on your health care needs.

| | | PI | PO | | High Deductible/HSA | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------|---------|-------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------------------|--|
| | Sin | gle | Fan | nily | Sin | gle | Far | nily | |
| Network Selection | Deduct. | Out of Pocket Max | Deduct. | Out of Pocket Max | Deduct. | Out of Pocket Max | De- duct. | Out of Pocket Max | |
| Network Blue | \$1,900 | \$6,500 | \$3,800 | \$13,000 | \$3,800 | \$7,600 | \$7,600 | \$10,700 | |
| Premier Select Blue Choice | \$400 | \$6,000 | \$800 | \$12,000 | \$2,500 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$9,000 | |
| Blueprint Health | \$400 | \$6,000 | \$800 | \$12,000 | \$2,500 | \$5,000 | \$5,000 | \$9,000 | |

2025-26 Pay Scale

Coming to PLCS with some experience? We are able to grant up to 15 years of actual previous experience plus one step, in the column appropriate with educational attainment, up to and including Step 16.

| STEP | ВА | BA+9 | BA+18 | BA+27 | BA+36 MA | MA+9 | MA+18 | MA+27 | MA+36 Specialist | PhD EdD |
|------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1 | 1.000 \$40,750 | 1.045 \$42,584 | 1.090 \$44,418 | 1.135 \$46,251 | 1.180 \$48,085 | 1.225 \$49,919 | 1.270 \$51,753 | 1.315 \$53,586 | 1.360 \$55,420 | 1.405 \$57,254 |
| 2 | 1.040 \$42,380 | 1.085 \$44,214 | 1.130 \$46,048 | 1.175 \$47,881 | 1.220 \$49,715 | 1.265 \$51,549 | 1.310 \$53,383 | 1.355 \$55,216 | 1.400 \$57,050 | 1.445 \$58,884 |
| 3 | 1.080 \$44,010 | 1.125 \$45,844 | 1.170 \$47,678 | 1.215 \$49,511 | 1.260 \$51,345 | 1.305 \$53,179 | 1.350 \$55,013 | 1.395 \$56,846 | 1.440 \$58,680 | 1.485 \$60,514 |
| 4 | 1.120 \$45,640 | 1.165 \$47,474 | 1.210 \$49,308 | 1.255 \$51,141 | 1.300 \$52,975 | 1.345 \$54,809 | 1.390 \$56,643 | 1.435 \$58,476 | 1.480 \$60,310 | 1.525 \$62,144 |
| 5 | 1.160 \$47,270 | 1.205 \$49,104 | 1.250 \$50,938 | 1.295 \$52,771 | 1.340 \$54,605 | 1.385 \$56,439 | 1.430 \$58,273 | 1.475 \$60,106 | 1.520 \$61,940 | 1.565 \$63,774 |
| 6 | 1.200 \$48,900 | 1.245 \$50,734 | 1.290 \$52,568 | 1.335 \$54,401 | 1.380 \$56,235 | 1.425 \$58,069 | 1.470 \$59,903 | 1.515 \$61,736 | 1.560 \$63,570 | 1.605 \$65,404 |
| 7 | | 1.285 \$52,364 | 1.330 \$54,198 | 1.375 \$56,031 | 1.420 \$57,865 | 1.465 \$59,699 | 1.510 \$61,533 | 1.555 \$63,366 | 1.600 \$65,200 | 1.645 \$67,034 |
| 8 | | 1.325 \$53,994 | 1.370 \$55,828 | 1.415 \$57,661 | 1.460 \$59,495 | 1.505 \$61,329 | 1.550 \$63,163 | 1.595 \$64,996 | 1.640 \$66,830 | 1.685 \$68,664 |
| 9 | | | 1.410 \$57,458 | 1.455 \$59,291 | 1.500 \$61,125 | 1.545 \$62,959 | 1.590 \$64,793 | 1.635 \$66,626 | 1.680 \$68,460 | 1.725 \$70,294 |
| 10 | | | 1.450 \$59,088 | 1.495 \$60,921 | 1.540 \$62,755 | 1.585 \$64,589 | 1.630 \$66,423 | 1.675 \$68,256 | 1.720 \$70,090 | 1.765 \$71,924 |
| 11 | | | | 1.535 \$62,551 | 1.580 \$64,385 | 1.625 \$66,219 | 1.670 \$68,053 | 1.715 \$69,886 | 1.760 \$71,720 | 1.805 \$73,554 |
| 12 | | | | 1.575 \$64,181 | 1.620 \$66,015 | 1.665 \$67,849 | 1.710 \$69,683 | 1.755 \$71,516 | 1.800 \$73,350 | 1.845 \$75,184 |
| 13 | | | | 1.615 \$65,811 | 1.660 \$67,645 | 1.705 \$69,479 | 1.750 \$71,313 | 1.795 \$73,146 | 1.840 \$74,980 | 1.885 \$76,814 |
| 14 | | | | | 1.700 \$69,275 | 1.745 \$71,109 | 1.790 \$72,943 | 1.835 \$74,776 | 1.880 \$76,610 | 1.925 \$78,444 |
| 15 | | | | | 1.740 \$70,905 | 1.785 \$72,739 | 1.830 \$74,573 | 1.875 \$76,406 | 1.920 \$78,240 | 1.965 \$80,074 |
| 16 | | | | | 1.780 \$72,535 | 1.825 \$74,369 | 1.870 \$76,203 | 1.915 \$78,036 | 1.960 \$79,870 | 2.005 \$81,704 |
| 17 | | | | | 1.800 \$73,350 | 1.845 \$75,184 | 1.890 \$77,018 | 1.935 \$78,851 | 1.980 \$80,685 | 2.025 \$82,519 |
| 18 | | | | | 1.810 \$73,758 | 1.855 \$75,591 | 1.900 \$77,425 | 1.945 \$79,259 | 1.990 \$81,093 | 2.035 \$82,926 |
| 19 | | | | | 1.820 \$74,165 | 1.865 \$75,999 | 1.910 \$77,833 | 1.955 \$79,666 | 2.000 \$81,500 | 2.045 \$83,334 |
| 20 | | | | | 1.830 \$74,573 | 1.875 \$76,406 | 1.920 \$78,240 | 1.965 \$80,074 | 2.010 \$81,908 | 2.055 \$83,741 |
| 21 | | | | | 1.840 \$74,980 | 1.885 \$76,814 | 1.930 \$78,648 | 1.975 \$80,481 | 2.020 \$82,315 | 2.065 \$84,149 |
| 22 | | | | | 1.860 \$75,795 | 1.905 \$77,629 | 1.950 \$79,463 | 1.995 \$81,296 | 2.040 \$83,130 | 2.085 \$84,964 |
| 23 | | | | | | 1.915 \$78,036 | 1.960 \$79,870 | 2.005 \$81,704 | 2.050 \$83,538 | 2.095 \$85,371 |
| 24 | | | | | | 1.925 \$78,444 | 1.970 \$80,278 | 2.015 \$82,111 | 2.060 \$83,945 | 2.105 \$85,779 |
| 25 | | | | | | 1.935 \$78,851 | 1.980 \$80,685 | 2.025 \$82,519 | 2.070 \$84,353 | 2.115 \$86,186 |
| 26 | | | | | | 1.945 \$79,259 | 1.990 \$81,093 | 2.035 \$82,926 | 2.080 \$84,760 | 2.125 \$86,594 |

The salary schedule above is called a "4.5 by 4" schedule. This means the annual salary listed in BA-1 is the Base Salary (1.00). For movement on the salary schedule horizontally (for each 9 hrs of approved graduate college credit hours) an employee moves 4.5%; vertically (related but not equal to years of service) the employee receives an increase of 4% of the base salary through Step 16. Step 17 (Level 1) and Step 22 (Level 6) are longevity steps which add an additional 2% of the salary. The remaining longevity steps are an additional 1% of salary.

Paid Benefits within the Negotiated Agreement

- \$1,500 one-time High Need Certification/Hard to Fill positions additional salary payment with your 1st year of service with PLCS. These areas will be designated by the district.
- Student Teachers will receive a \$3,000 incentive during their student teaching time at PLCS. This will be distributed in 4 installments for each semester.
- Student Teachers who accept employment with the district to begin their teaching career as a new hire in PLCS will be placed on step 2, honoring their prior experience in PLCS.
- Special Education teachers will have two additional days added to the 2025-26 calendar for independent planning time. These days are added per diem pay.

Vision Insurance - Offered as Optional Coverage

Vision insurance is administered by the Vision Service Plan (VSP). Coverage and 2024-25 monthly rates are listed below. Rates may change for the 2025-26 school year.

- Employee \$9.04
- Employee & Spouse \$18.00
- Employee & Children \$19.40
- Employee, Spouse & Children \$30.84

Inspira (formerly PayFlex)

Offers employees savings for medical and childcare expenses. Childcare reimbursement accounts are available to all employees no matter which health plan they select. These accounts are excellent ways to save money on predictable, recurring costs. A medical flexible spending account is also available.

Long-Term Disability Insurance

Long-term disability insurance coverage is paid for you by the school district. If you become sick or injured and are unable to work, this insurance will pay 60% of your normal salary and 60% of monthly health benefits after the 60-calendar day elimination period.

Retirement

You are required to participate in the Nebraska School Employees Retirement System if you work 20 hours or more per week. Under current law your contribution rate is 9.78% of your gross salary and will be deducted from your paycheck and deposited into a retirement account for you. The District is required to match your contributions at the rate of 101% or 9.8778% of your gross salary.

Life Insurance - Benefits for the Future

The district pays the premium to provide \$20,000 term life insurance for you. You may elect to purchase supplemental insurance at the rate of \$4.90 per month per each \$20,000 of coverage. You may purchase a maximum of 5 supplements (\$100,000) of additional term life insurance. The premium for 5 supplements is \$24.50 per month (\$4.90 X 5), resulting in a total of \$120,000 of life insurance coverage through the district's life insurance provider. Rates are subject to change for the 2025-26 school year and annually thereafter. A Dependent Basic Life Insurance plan may be added for a monthly premium of \$3.50, this will cover your full family. Coverage amounts are based on the family member, please see the form for additional details.

Employee Assistance Program

You or any member of your immediate family can receive up to 10 free counseling visits with the Best Care Employee Assistance Program. This is a confidential service. Please refer to the pamphlet for more details. Call 402-354-8000 for an appointment.

Sick Leave/Personal Leave

Full time certified staff members receive 12 days per year. Four days may be used as personal leave each year and the remaining days can be used as sick leave.

School Choice Benefit

Certified teachers in PLCS have an option to move their child's school to a PLCS school that is convenient for the employee. The annual deadline for employees is February 1st for all applications, however, those hired after February 1st should consult with Student Services for instructions.

Before & After School Childcare Discount

The PLCS Foundation provides Kids Club, a before and after school (as well as summer and out of school days) childcare program in each elementary school. Staff receive a discounted rate for their dependents attending Kids Club.