



## Discounts for Educators

### TWIN CITIES DISCOUNTS

1. **Science Museum of Minnesota**

Minnesota teachers can apply for a \$60 annual household membership, \$35 off the normal price and good for all family members. Present a valid school ID and current pay stub at the box office when purchasing. The museum is at 120 W. Kellogg Blvd. in St. Paul.

2. **Minnesota Historical Society**

Several resources are available for teachers, including free teacher preview events of new exhibits and teacher workshops that allow you to earn graduate credit with Hamline University (these teacher workshops are not free, but subsidies are available).

3. **Red Balloon Bookshop**

All current teachers, licensed day care providers and home schoolers get a [20% discount on all purchases](#) when you bring in proper identification.

4. **Sea Life Minnesota**

All current teachers receive a discounted membership to [Sea Life Minnesota aquarium](#) when you show a valid teacher ID at the box office. They also have occasional Teacher Open Houses where teachers and one guest can get free admission and behind-the-scenes tours. Email teachers @ sealifeus.com (remove spaces) for more information

### ARTS, CRAFTS & SCHOOL SUPPLIES

1. **The Container Store**

The Container Store helps teachers stay organized all year long with their [Organized Teacher Program](#). Register online and you will receive exclusive discounts throughout the entire year. A school ID will be required to receive discounts with in-store purchases.

2. **Office Depot**

The free Office Depot [Star Teacher Program](#) educators a number of special discounts and rewards. In addition to 10% in rewards points on select purchases, members also have exclusive access to special events and sales throughout the year.

3. **Office Max**

The popular supply store offers a MaxPerks Rewards program [specifically for teachers](#). Benefits include \$10 in rewards for every \$75 spent on qualifying purchases, and \$2 in rewards for each ink or toner cartridge recycled. Sign-up online to get your membership card.

4. **FedEx Office**

Thanks to the FedEx Office [Academic Edge](#) program you'll receive 15-percent off nearly all

products, including brochures, posters and photos. This discount is available both online and in-store.

5. **Staples**

Register for the Staples [Teacher Rewards Program](#) to garner five-percent back in rewards points and free shipping from Staples.com. The program covers a slew of products, from ink and paper to teaching and art supplies.

6. **Ben Franklin Crafts**

To show their appreciation for hard-working teachers, [Ben Franklin Crafts](#) offers teachers 10-percent off purchases all year long. Just show your certification or ID at checkout receive the discount.

7. **Joann Fabric**

The free [Teacher Rewards Discount Card](#) entitles educators to 15-percent off all purchases. Home schoolers are also eligible for the card, and new members receive a 20-percent off bonus for signing up.

8. **Michaels**

Receive 15% off your entire purchase every day. To view eligible products and more details, [click here](#).

9. **Party City**

The more you spend at Party City, the bigger the discount gets. Save between 10 and 20 percent when you bring a signed letter on official letterhead from an officer of the school. You must also complete the purchase with a check or credit card in the school's name.

10. **Blick Art Materials**

Teachers should sign up for the [Dick Blick Preferred Card](#). It's completely free and gets you 10% off purchases at Blick and Utrecht stores. Blick also offers organizational discounts for bulk orders.

11. **Discount School Supply**

Discount School Supply doesn't run a rewards program, but certain purchases are eligible for a teacher discount if you call ahead or ask before finishing your order. The site also honors tax exemptions from qualifying organizations.

12. **A.C. Moore**

A.C. Moore has modified their discount program. Instead of a flat teacher discount, they offer a rewards program where you can earn points with every purchase.

13. **Inkjet Willy**

[Inkjet Willy](#) is a popular comparison site that helps you track down the lowest prices on ink and toner, and educators can save an extra 10 percent on orders of compatible or remanufactured cartridges from select resellers using the coupon code WILLY10.

14. **Izzit.org**

Izzit.org is happy to offer teachers one free educational video per year, no strings attached. The company specializes in videos for older students, but teachers and homeschoolers of grades K-12 can apply.

15. **Speed Stacks**

What are Speed Stacks, you ask? Essentially it's a game where kids stack 12 cups in various formations as quickly as they can to improve hand-eye coordination and

ambidexterity. If it's something you'd like to try at your school, teachers can request a [complimentary set](#). However, there's a limit of one per organization.

#### 16. **Pets in the Classroom**

This unique program offers K-8 teachers grants to help cover the cost of a pet for the classroom. The maximum grant amount is \$125, but there are also a number of different grant types to help pay for pet supplies.

#### 17. **Naked Binder**

Don't let the name deter you; Naked Binder manufacturers 100% recyclable binders, pocket folders, tab dividers and labels. In addition to providing non-toxic and environmentally friendly school supplies, they also offer a discount to teachers. To receive the discount code, educators should call at 1-877-446-2533 and provide the name of their school.

#### 18. **Make Great Light**

[Make Great Light](#) sells light filters that totally transform lighting in the classroom. They eliminate the harsh glare and allows kids to focus. Their [classroom light filters](#) also create full spectrum light, which has been shown to help increase reading and math test scores and help regulate hormones. Make Great Light offers a standard 10% discount to teachers and will bump it up to 15% if you write a review on social media.

## BOOKS & MEDIA

#### 1. **Barnes & Noble**

The [B&N Educator Program](#) provides teachers with 20-percent off the publisher's list price on purchases for classroom use. This discount is ramped up to 25% during Educator Appreciation Days.

#### 2. **Half Price Books**

Sign up for a Half Price Books' [Educator's Discount Card](#) and be rewarded with discounts of 10-percent year-round. This discount is truly all-inclusive, available to teachers, homeschoolers, librarians and even teachers who have been laid-off in the last year.

#### 3. **PBS**

Educators who sign up for the [PBS LearningMedia](#) program will receive free access to tens of thousands of videos, games, lesson plans and other educational materials for the classroom.

#### 4. **MagMall**

Teachers will receive special pricing on magazine subscriptions ordered through MagMall. Before placing your order, call or email their customer service with the name of your school and your position to see what kind of discounts are available.

#### 5. **The New York Times**

Keep your students up-to-date on current events with The New York Times' [special rate](#) for educators. The first four weeks will cost you just \$0.99, and every week after will be discounted by 50 percent.

#### 6. **The Wall Street Journal**

The special [educator's rate](#) from The Wall Street Journal is mostly targeted to college

professors and those with older students. Still, it's hard to beat the savings of the discounted subscriptions.

7. **National Geographic**

Teachers can receive numerous benefits from the famous publication including half-price copies of past issues and a \$12/year subscription rate.

## CLOTHING

1. **LOFT**

Fashion forward educators are rewarded for their posh style through the [Loft Loves Teachers](#) program. Register to get 15-percent off all full-price, in-store purchases, plus perks like teacher appreciation nights and exclusive sweepstakes.

2. **The Limited**

Show a school ID or valid pay stub when you shop at any The Limited location and snag 15-percent off your entire in-store purchase. The offer is good for all items on the racks, walls or tables. In other words, everything.

3. **Aerosoles**

Bring your teacher ID shopping at Aerosoles to save 15 percent on footwear priced \$39.99 or higher. If you can't visit a store location, you can also receive the discount by placing your order over the phone.

4. **New York and Co.**

New York and Co. goes above and beyond to offer their [Big Apple for the Teacher](#) program. Sign-up online to get 15-percent off in-store purchases and special offers emailed to you throughout the year.

5. **J. Crew**

The next time you're shopping at J. Crew, whip out that school ID to save 15 percent on your purchase. This discount is also available at the Factory Stores.

6. **CJ Banks/Christopher and Banks**

Get the looks you love for less with 10-percent off purchases from both retailers. This offer is only valid in-store, and excludes discounts on other special sale events. Just show the cashier your school ID at checkout.

7. **Madewell**

Teachers who show a valid ID at checkout can get a 15-percent discount off their purchase. The offer is not available for online orders.

8. **Bunion Bootie**

Those in need of relief for aching feet may want to give the Bunion Bootie discount a try. Teachers and administrators save 10 percent on their order total.

9. **Eddie Bauer**

Provide verification of your status as a teacher and Eddie Bauer stores will give you 10-percent off your purchase.

10. **Talbots**

Update your wardrobe before the next school year starts with the 15-percent off discount from Talbots. It can be used for any full-price, in-store purchases with a valid ID.

11. **Banana Republic**

Bring your valid teacher ID to a Banana Republic store and receive 15-percent off full-price purchases.

## **ELECTRONICS & SOFTWARE**

1. **Apple Store**

The House of Jobs is surprisingly generous to teachers of all grade levels, offering varying discounts up to \$200 on computers and accessories through the [Apple Education Store](#). This offer also includes librarians, home schoolers, university profs and even elected officers to PTA boards.

2. **Bose**

The Bose offer is primo, particularly for those in need of sonic stimulation. Save up to 15% on most music systems and accessories. Call their Sales Solution Team at 1-800-353-4207 and ask for the “Educator’s Program” for pricing and to place an order.

3. **Dell**

If your school is affiliated with Dell you can get special pricing on your purchase of a computer or other products. Call Customer Service before paying to apply the discount.

4. **Cell Phone Companies (Verizon, AT&T, Sprint)**

This discount varies by provider, but teachers can save loads on a personal cell phone bill, sometimes up to 20 percent a month. Visit your provider’s business or discount portal and input your .edu email address to check if your institution is registered.

5. **Adobe**

Shop direct from the [Adobe Education Store](#) and receive discounts on select software, including bundles and suites. Adobe requires proof of employment as an educator before applying the discount.

6. **Western Digital (WD) Store**

Offering digital storage, sharing and protection products, WD store helps you stay organized and protected in the modern age of teaching. They also provide a 20-percent discount to teachers and education staff through the WD Education Store. Create a free account using your school or university address to get started.

7. **Lenovo**

Through Lenovo’s [Academic Purchase Program](#), teachers may receive a discount on their purchase. Select your state and school for a list of deals on tablets, computers and laptops.

8. **Sony**

Register for the Sony Education Store and save up to 10 percent on select products. If you’re shopping on behalf of your school, head to the Sony Business Store for more appropriate deals.

9. **PureTalk USA**

The discount cell phone plan provider offers teachers 20% off their first month of service with the promo code TEACH20.

10. **Academic Superstore**

Academic Superstore is an online software outlet that sells a slew of products for up to 85-percent off. Discounts are available year-round with proof of employment as a teacher.

11. **JourneyEd**

This is yet another site where educators can find huge savings on popular software. After placing your order, confirm your status as a teacher to apply the discount.

## **INSURANCE**

1. **Farmers Insurance**

Farmers extends additional discounts to teachers, but these special rates vary based on state and prior driving record. For more details, contact a local agent. Farmers also offers [free resources](#) for the classroom, including lesson plans and educational documentaries.

2. **Liberty Mutual**

Liberty Mutual extends extra benefits such as a \$0 deductible for damage that occurs on school property or during school-related events. Because it's insurance, rates are dependent on your state and driving record.

## **HOTELS & ATTRACTIONS**

1. **Walt Disney World Swan and Dolphin Hotel**

Teachers are eligible for a variety of discounted rates at the Swan and Dolphin hotels, located securely in the center of Walt Disney World in Orlando. Availability varies based on season and demand. Mention you're an educator when booking.

2. **Marriott Hotels**

Marriott grants teachers a discount at a slew of hotels across the nation. Whether you book online or in-person, show your school ID at check-in to receive the special rate.

3. **National Park Service**

Show a valid school ID at a slew of National Park Service visitor centers across the nation and receive 15-percent off many purchases. The discount doesn't apply to park entry fees, camping fees or Smokey the Bear petting zoo fees.

4. **Legoland California**

The California Legoland isn't quite as generous as its counterpart in Florida, but teachers can still get free admission on select Saturdays and Sundays throughout the year. Additionally, teachers are eligible for free admission during Teacher Appreciation Week from May 5 to May 11, and again on May 31. Call in advance for more details about eligible weekends.

5. **Elvis Presley's Graceland**

K-12 teachers receive free admission to tour the former Memphis, Tenn. estate of The King with a valid school ID or recent pay stub or dated letter on school letterhead stating you're a teacher at your school.

## MUSEUMS & ZOOS

5. **Abbe Museum in Maine**

Teachers and school librarians with a valid school ID for grades K-12 receive 10-percent off books from the gift shop at this museum dedicated to Wabanaki Native Americans. They will also complete orders over the phone or email if you cannot travel to the Museum.

6. **Art Institute of Chicago**

Teachers at any level are entitled to free admission with a valid school ID. In order to get a free pass you must first visit the [Crown Educator Resource Center](#) and sign up for the Educator Network.

7. **Boston Children's Museum**

Despite the name, the Boston Children's Museum isn't just for kiddos. Active New England teachers K-8 can go for free with a valid school ID, available year-round. The museum is at 308 Congress St., just across from the Children's Wharf Park.

8. **The Field Museum of Chicago**

Educators need only present a valid school ID for free admission at The Field Museum in Chicago, dedicated to all things historic and otherwise dug up. The museum is located at 1400 S. Lake Shore Drive, only steps from Lake Michigan.

9. **Colonial Williamsburg**

Take a trip back in time and discover Colonial Williamsburg with the discounted rates on general admission tickets. This offer can only be redeemed at a walk-up ticket window.

10. **Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum**

Massachusetts Teachers Association members can celebrate Boston's favorite female patron of the arts for half-off regular admission, or enjoy buy one, get one free pairs of tickets.

11. **Museum of Science, Boston**

Teachers of grades K-12 can register for the free Teacher Partner Program at the Museum of Science to receive a slew of exclusive benefits, including free individual exhibit passes, discounted annual memberships, and 10-percent off at the Museum Store.

12. **New England Aquarium**

Current K-12 teachers enjoy free admission, discounted IMAX admission, 10-percent off purchases at the gift shop and a 10-percent discount at the Harbor View Cafe when they join the Teacher Pass Program with a valid school ID. The aquarium is at 1 Central Wharf in Boston.

13. **John & Mable Ringling Museum of Art**

Present a valid school ID at the box office to snag a discounted day pass (\$10) at the estate-turned-gallery in Sarasota, Fla. The museum, named for John Ringling of Ringling Bros. circus fame, is located at 5401 Bay Shore Road.

**14. Shedd Aquarium in Chicago**

Teachers in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin are eligible for one free general admission ticket with a valid school ID. Register online in advance to receive your pass.

Educators outside these four states can receive \$3 off their admission by presenting a valid school ID or current paystub to the cashier. The aquarium is at 1200 S. Lake Shore Drive in the same complex at The Field Museum.

**15. Denver Art Museum**

Teachers save \$10 on an individual membership good for free admission for one year. The teacher discount is only available when a valid teacher ID is shown at the museum welcome desk and cannot be ordered online or over the phone.

**16. Milwaukee Public Museum**

Sign up for the MPM Educator Pass to receive unlimited free museum visits, discounted rates on parking, and discounts on purchases at the MPM cafe and Museum Marketplace.