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## **BURLINGTON NAMED BEST CITY IN NEW ENGLAND FOR K-12 TEACHERS**

*New Report Ranks the Queen City 8th Nationally*

Burlington has been named a top national city for K-12 teachers, ranking first in New England and eighth overall by the consumer research website GoodCall in its third annual rankings report released last month. The report outlines the U.S. cities that offer the best backdrop for teachers to work and live.

"Cities at the top of our list give teachers the best chance to find jobs that are professionally fulfilling and financially viable because they are thriving cities where people value education highly," said Claire Etheridge, Data Analyst for Goodcall.com.

A total of 689 U.S. cities were evaluated on educational values, K-12 teacher salaries and job availability, amenities, affordability, and low unemployment and crime rates.

Burlington School Superintendent Yaw Obeng said this ranking recognizes Burlington as both an outstanding school district and city.

"The report highlights key criteria that has enabled the District to attract and retain high caliber and innovative teachers looking to work in a flourishing environment that deeply values its public education system," Obeng said. "We have seen that demonstrated this year, as many exceptional candidates have applied when there have been open positions to fill. Burlington is a place where people want to be."

**About GoodCall.com:** The core mission of GoodCall is to help people make easier personal finance decisions about college, careers, home buying and beyond. GoodCall provides tools, resources and data insights to make financial independence a reality for students, recent graduates, families and retirees.

The full report is available here: <https://www.goodcall.com/data-center/2017-best-cities-k-12-teachers/>

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