

"My time at Applewild taught me how to be a serious student and to seek out teachers for help outside of the classroom. I gained knowledge on how to budget my time, and, most importantly, I gained a sense of grit in my approach to academics. I can say with confidence that I wouldn't be where I am today without the lessons I learned during my time in Fitchburg!"

Trevor Fry '11, student.

Boarding School

Applewild School Massachusetts

Applewild School is a private, co-educational junior boarding and day school in New England offering a liberal arts curriculum for middle school students. The school is known for small classes, individualized advising, and a junior boarding experience designed for Grades 6–9.



BOARDING



CO-ED



SPORTS



ARTS



NEW-ENGLAND

Quick Facts

Founded: 1957

Students: Co-educational

Niche.com Rank: A

Special Programs: Liberal Arts

Curriculum, Junior Boarding Program

Accepting students: Grades 6-9th

Interview Required? Yes

Diploma Year? No

English as Second Language (ESL) support: Yes

Climate: Warm, humid summers and Cool winters

Academic Excellence

Applewild School provides a liberal arts education designed for middle school learners in Grades 6–9, with an emphasis on academic foundations, creativity, and personal growth. Small class sizes and a low student–teacher ratio of 1:6 allow for close instruction and individualized feedback. Each student is supported by a dedicated advisor through the school’s creative advising program, encouraging independent learning and goal setting. The curriculum integrates humanities, sciences, arts, and experiential learning to prepare students for competitive secondary schools in the United States and abroad.



Student Accomplishments

- Accreditation by the New England Association of Independent Schools
- Award-winning jazz band.



Stats

6:1

Student Teacher Ratio

42 Acres

Campus

345

Total High School Enrollment

SSAT, TOEFL

Required/Recommended Tests

93%

International Boarding Students

Campus Facilities

The campus includes indoor and outdoor athletic fields, a gymnasium, and a fully equipped theater supporting performance-based learning. Creative spaces include a makerspace, woodworking areas, music rooms, and art studios. Academic classrooms are designed for collaborative learning, while outdoor areas support physical activity and experiential education. Facilities are scaled to support middle school students in a safe, structured environment.



Residential Life

Applewild offers a junior boarding program for students in Grades 5–9, providing a structured introduction to residential education. Boarding students live on campus with supervised housing, shared rooms, and common areas for study and recreation. Residential life emphasizes routines, independence, and community responsibility, with close adult supervision and age-appropriate support. Boarding students come from the United States and international backgrounds.



Athletics and Arts

Athletics support physical development and teamwork through age-appropriate training and interschool competition. Programs emphasize sport fundamentals, participation, and confidence building in a structured middle school environment.

The arts program offers visual and performing arts courses that build creative skills and self-expression through regular practice, instruction, and presentation integrated into the academic schedule.



Lists

Sports: Basketball, Cross Country, Field Hockey, Soccer, Tennis, Track and Field, Yoga

Arts: Chorus, Drama, Jazz Band, Music, Photography, Printmaking, Public Speaking, Sculpture, Studio Art, Woodworking

Languages:
French

Tech and Innovation courses:
Makerspace, 3D Design

Club and Extracurriculars
Art Club, Drama, Jazz Ensemble, Makerspace Projects, Student Activities, Woodworking

English language support
Junior boarding supervision
Individual academic advising

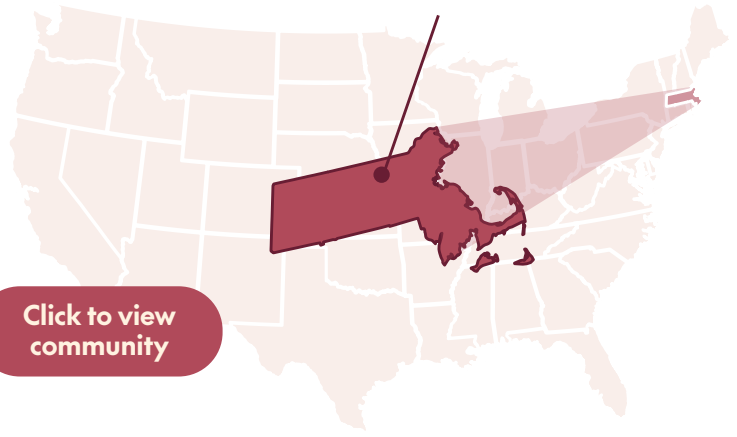
Community

Fitchburg is a city of approximately 42,000 residents in north-central Massachusetts. The area offers access to outdoor recreation and cultural activities, with Boston located about 1.5 hours away by car. Boston Logan International Airport provides international travel access.

Climate in Fitchburg, Massachusetts

Four seasons climate with warm, humid summers and cool winters.

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