

METROWEST PLAYGROUNDS organized by the
Framingham **S**pecial **E**ducation **P**arent **A**dvisory **C**ouncil www.F-SEPAC.org

This list was put together for parents looking for playgrounds in the Metrowest area with children of ALL abilities. The playgrounds listed in **bold letters** have play equipment that is accessible for the handicapped. We compiled the list by word of mouth and specifically asked if the playground has ...

RAMPS for accessing the top of slides and other play equipment
TRANSFER platforms so children in wheel chairs can transfer to play equipment and
CHAIR swings for handicapped and older children.

A ramp is also great for new walkers and children of all abilities and the chair swing, if not being used by children, is always a great place for parents and grandparents to take a relaxing moment. We put this version on Microsoft Word so that you can customize it and create a list of places specifically geared towards your children and your location. Please let us know of any additions, revisions or corrections by emailing info@f-sepac.org Enjoy!!!

ASHLAND

Kidspot, Summer Street. The playground is designed for children under 8. There are swings (including baby swing), slides, places to climb, a sandbox, and open space to run around. The playground is located next to Stone Park near Ashland center. Summer Street runs between Rte 135 and Main St. If traveling west on 135 from Framingham, take a sharp right onto Summer St. after passing the CVS plaza just past Ashland Center. The park is on your left and there is parking right out in front.

Ashland Pre-K Program 75 Central St (they are looking to move to Warren School and will want a new playground)

David Mindess School 90 Concord St

Henry E Warren School 73 Fruit St

Middle School 87 W Union St

William Pittaway School 75 Central St RAMP

CONCORD

Alcott Elementary School (978) 318-9544 93 Laurel St

Concord Public Schools (978) 318-1500 120 Meriam Rd

Thoreau Elementary School (978) 318-1300 29 Prairie St

Willard Elementary School (978) 318-1340 185 Powder Mill Rd

Concord Playground & Spray Fountain on Stow Street - Great open playground with first-rate equipment, better for preschool age, but toddlers can climb too with supervision. They have a spray fountain that operates on a periodic basis in the summer (there's usually a sign indicating the times when it is on/off). The fenced-in park also has an enclosed running track, baseball fields and picnic tables. Lots of room to run and roam.

Percy Rideout Playground In West Concord at Conant & Lawsbrook Road - Excellent playground for all age groups. The wooden play structure is enormous and has everything from balancing boards and a wacky bridge to tandem slides and spiral poles to climb. A nice feature is that most of the playground is in the shade and the ground is lined with soft cedar chips. In addition, there is a basketball court, tennis courts, a baseball diamond and plenty of green grass to run around on. Parking is limited but ample for the area.

FRAMINGHAM

Link to a list of Framingham Playgrounds and Sports Fields - www.framingham.k12.ma.us/Playgrounds.pdf

Anna Murphy

Cove St. and Lake Ave. hand held climbing apparatus

Apple Street Playground Bethany Rd.
Arlington St. Playground Arlington St. and Gordon St.
Bates Road Off Hollis St.
Barbieri School 100 Dudley Road has great play structures, a big playing field and some shaded areas. RAMP and 2 CHAIR SWINGS
Brophy School 575 Pleasant St
Bowditch Field Union Ave.
Butterworth Park Grant St. and Bishop St.
Danforth Park 73 Danforth Street from Concord Street take a right onto Danforth Street, Picnic benches, lots of shade RAMP and CHAIR, infant swings, balance beam. Great in the summer
Dunning School 48 Frost St
Farm Pond Rec Area Dudley Rd. Passive recreation; walking trails, non-powered boating, "Tot Lots", cooking / picnic areas, fishing
Furber Fairbanks Rd.
Hemenway Playground 729 Water Street near Edgell Road RAMPS and 1 CHAIR
Hemenway School's playground has TRANSFERs, extensive RAMPS, a SWING, a Stainless Steel slide appropriate for children with Cochlear Implants, an accessible climber and other equipment and events geared for use of children with ALL ABILITIES. This playground was designed to be accessible.
Juniper Hill School Upper Jocelyn Rd.
King School 454 Water Street Toddler playground around back of the building and a big field. RAMP and 2 CHAIR
Learning School for the Deaf Central St has a great playground and is open to the public.
Mary Dennison Park Beaver St. hand held climbing apparatus
Mason Park Maple St. and Franklin St.
McCarthy School Fuller Rd.
Mt. Wayte Chautauqua Ave.
Oakvale Burbank Cir., off Hadley Rd.
Potter Road School 492 Potter Rd
Reardon Park off Old Conn. Path to Brownlea Rd. CHAIR
Roosevelt Park Fay Rd. CHAIR
Stapleton School 25 Elm St
Temple St. Playground Temple St.
Walsh Middle School Brook St
Winch Park "A" St.
Woodfield Playground Gregory Street Play structure for younger children, swings and one infant swing, big playing field. From Water Street take a right into Gregory and you'll see it in your right.
Woodrow Wilson School Beaver St. and Leland St.

HOPKINTON508-497-9750

Center School (508) 497-9875 11 Ash St
Edward Hopkins Elem Sch.(508) 497-9824 104 Hayden Rowe St
Elmwood School (508) 497-9860 20 Elm St
Hopkinton Middle School (508) 497-9820 90 Hayden Rowe St
Aiken's Park Cordaville Road (Rte 85) at the Southborough line
Berry Acres Located on West Main Street opposite the Ice House Pond.
Carrigan Park Located behind the old high school on Main Street.

EMC Playground Route 85 in Hopkinton. The EMC Playground in Hopkinton is wonderful for a variety of ages. There is a lot of shade, benches, four baby/toddler swings, and the climb-on area is big enough for mom to get up there too with a toddler. For older kids there is a paved area where they can use ride-on toys, and you can walk around the park with your stroller. If you are coming from Route 9, you take Rte 85 South, past Hopkinton State Park, through the lights at Route 135, and a ways down on your right you'll see a school. There on the LEFT is the park entrance.
 Reed Park, Woodville

LEXINGTON (781) 862-0500 x262

Bowman Elementary School	9 Philip Rd	
Bridge Elementary School	55 Middleby Rd	SWING
Fiske School	(781) 861-2530	34a Colony Rd
Harrington Elementary School	(781) 861-2540	146 Maple St
Joseph Estabrook Elem School	(781) 861-2520	117 Grove St
Lexington School District	(781) 861-2580	1557 Massachusetts Ave
Maria Hastings School	(781) 860-5800	2618 Massachusetts Ave
Lincoln Park	Lincoln Street	
Center Playground	Parker Drive	

LINCOLN 781-259-0784

Lincoln School District	(781) 259-9400	6 Ballfield
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MARLBOROUGH

Colaiani Playground	First Road	TRANSFER
Duca Playground	Corner of Rice & Bolton Streets	TRANSFER
Farrell Field (Hildreth School)	Sawin Street	TRANSFER, RAMP and SWING in the future
Ghiloni Park	Concord Road	TRANSFER
Jaworek School	Hosmer Street	TRANSFER
Jericho Hill	Brigham Street	TRANSFER, RAMP Great toddler
playground with some picnic tables. Large grassy hill (used to be ski hill) for playing with balls, lounging on blankets. Plenty of parking. Winter Sledding.		
John Street Playground	John Street	TRANSFER
Kane School	Farm Road	TRANSFER, RAMP, glider for wheelchair, SWING
Kelleher Field	Jefferson Street	TRANSFER, SWING
Korean Veterans Field	Milham Street	TRANSFER
Richer School	Foley Road	TRANSFER, RAMP, SWING, suntopper
Simpson Playground	Simpson Road	TRANSFER
Stevens Park	Martin Street	
Ward Park	Orchard Street	SWING, TRANSFER in the future
Williams Street Baseball Fields	Williams Street	TRANSFER

NATICK 508 647-6530 P&R

Murphy Playground, Route 27 in Natick. Located in Natick on Route 27, just south of Route 9. You can see the park on your left just past Bacon Street if heading south into Natick Center. Make a left at light on Bacon Street, and then take your first right. 4 Baby swings, plenty of shade, sandbox, fun-climbing structure, slides, lots of room to run around.

Bennett-Hemenway Elementary	22 E Evergreen Rd
Brown Elementary School	1 Jean Burke Dr
Johnson Elementary School	99 S Main St
Lilja Elementary School	41 Bacon St RAMPS
Memorial Elementary School	107 Eliot St SWING

**Cole Center
the front**

has an old swing that can easily seat a young child with a bar across

NEEDHAM 781-455-7521

Broadmeadow Elementary School	(781) 455-0448	120 Broad Meadow Rd
Eliot School	(781) 455-0452	135 Wellesley Ave
Hillside Elementary School	(781) 455-0461	28 Glen Gary Rd
Needham High School	(781) 455-0800	609 Webster St
Needham School District	(781) 455-0420	1330 Highland Ave
Needham School Superintendent	(781) 455-0435	
Newman School	(781) 455-0416	1155 Central Ave
William Mitchell Elementary	(781) 455-0466	187 Brookline St
Claxton Field	2 adult softball diamonds; playground; picnic area with grills	
Cricket Field	2 multi-purpose fields; small playground	
Greene's Field	youth diamond; small multi-purpose field; large playground	
structure; picnic area		
Mills Field	youth diamond; tennis courts; playground; picnic area with grills;	
basketball court		
Perry Park	youth diamond; playground; basketball court	
Riverside Park	small multi-purpose field; small playground	
Walker-Gordon Field	90' diamond; small playground; fishing in pond	
DeFazio Park	5 multi-purpose fields; 2 60' diamonds; 2 90' diamonds; tot lot;	
public restrooms; picnic area with grills		
High Rock School	youth diamond; multi-purpose field; playground	
Mitchell School	2 youth diamonds; playground	
Rosemary Pool		

NEWTON 617-552-7120

Angier School	1697 Beacon Street	
Auburndale Cove Playground	West Pine St.	CHAIR A very peaceful park on the Charles River in Newton. There are ducks, geese and swans for kids to feed, and playground equipment for tots and kids. There is also a picnic area and restrooms. The best part of the park is the swings, which face the river and make you feel like you are flying over it. It's also very shaded and good for those hot summer days.
Bigelow Middle School	(617) 552-7800	42 Vernon St
Boston College Day School	at the Boston College Campus on Beacon Street near the Campion Building has a wonderful playground for children in a wheelchair with RAMPS!!!!, SWING CHAIRS!!!! and a gazebo that swings!!!	
Brown/Oak Hill Middle School	Wheeler Rd.	
Burr Park	Waverley Avenue	
Cabot Elementary School	(617) 559-9400	228 Cabot St
Cabot Park	Eastside Parkway	
Carr Playground	Nevada Street	
Cold Spring Park (2)	Beacon Street	
Countryside School	191 Dedham Street	
Davis Center	TRANSFER	
Day Middle School	(617) 559-9100	21 Minot Pl
Emerson Playground	11 Pettee Street	
Forte Park (lighted)	233 California Street	
Franklin School	125 Derby Street	
Heath Elementary School	(617) 879-4570	100 Elliot St

Hyde Playground	Lincoln Street	
Lincoln Playground	Moffat Rd.	CHAIR
Lincoln-Eliot Elementary Schl	(617) 552-7400	191 Pearl St
Lower Falls Community Center	545 Grove Street	
Mason Rice	Pleasant Street	CHAIR
Memorial-Spaulding Elementary	(617) 559-9600	250 Brookline St
Newton Centre Playground	Tyler Terrace	Fall 2007 starting construction on a fully
accessible playground		
Newton Highlands Playground	Centre St.	
Newton Public School Custodian	(617) 527-8345	140 Brandeis Rd
Oak Hill Middle School	(617) 559-9200	130 Wheeler Rd
Peirce School	170 Temple Street	
Pellegrini Playground	11 Hawthorn St., Nonantum - 617-969-2392	
Pierce Elementary School	(617) 559-9630	170 Temple St
River Street Playground	SWING	
Russell J. Halloran Sports & Rec. Complex	Albemarle Rd.	CHAIR
Stearns Playground	Jasset Street	CHAIR
Underwood Elementary School	(617) 552-7564	101 Vernon St
Upper Falls Playground	Chestnut St.	
Ward Elementary School	(617) 552-7568	10 Dolphin Rd
Wellington Playground	TRANSFER, CHAIR	
West Newton Common	TRANSFER	

SHERBORN

Sherborn Playground (Cemetery Lane, Sherborn) Follow route 16 south from Natick. Once in Sherborn, watch for the fire station on your left, and take a left onto Cemetery Lane. Follow past the fields. The parking lot will be on your right. This is an enclosed playground. One side is designed for toddlers and the other for older children. The area is wooded and you can see horses through the trees.

Pine Hill School (508) 655-0630 10 Pine Hill Ln

SHREWSBURY 508-841-8503

To contact the Special Needs Board of Directors email ShrewsburySpecialNeeds@yahoo.com or call 508-841-8503

Arrowwood Park - Tot Lot, field, basketball, Arrowwood Avenue, off S. Quinsigamond Avenue.

Beal School – Playground, Youth Baseball, Corner of Hascall Street and Main Street at Shrewsbury Center.

Approximately one acre in size.

"Camp" Winnegan -This Conservation property is open for hiking. There are no other facilities available. No parking.

Grafton Street, parallel to Route 140, just south of Route 9.

Coolidge School – Playground, Playfield, Basketball, Baseball Florence Street, from South Quinsigamond Avenue, one-quarter mile south of White City.

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Dean Park – Fishing, Playground, Playfield, Tennis, Basketball, Cross-Country Skiing, Pavilions, Baseball/softball, Walking/Jogging Main Street, three-fourths of a mile east of Shrewsbury Center.

Approximately seventy-five acres in size. FOUNTAINS - Listen to the classical, patriotic, and popular tunes, watch the movement of the graceful fountains, and see the spectacular colors dance to the music. Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, 12:00-2:00 PM and 4:00-9:45 PM

Donahue Rowing Center-The Rowing Center offers public rental of racks for storage of shells.

Organized classes and rowing activities are available for those teens and adults. The Donahue

Rowing Center's Quarterdeck Club Room is available for group functions, seating 80 people banquet-style. Event planners should inquire with the Parks and Recreation Department for rates and availability. 237 North Quinsigamond Avenue, one-half mile south of Main Street.

Edgemere Park- Playground, Playfield, Basketball, Baseball- Edgemere Boulevard, from Route 20 West.

Gauch Park – Parking, Fishing- N. Quinsigamond Avenue and Main Street

Greylock – Playground, Picnic Tables, Walking/Jogging - Off N. Quinsigamond Avenue; Philips Ave to end of Avon Avenue.

High School - Tennis Courts, Baseball Field, Indoor/Outdoor Track Fields, Lacrosse Field, Softball Field, Football Field - 64 Holden Street, off of Main Street by intersection of North Quinsigamond Avenue

Hill Farm Estates - Tot Lot, Playfield, Basketball Court, Corner of Stoney Hill and Deer Run

Hill Farm Pond - Pond, Walking trail around pond, Stoney Hill Drive.

Hillando Park – Playground, Ball field, Walnut Street to Hillando Drive. Approximately two acres in size.

Ireta Road – Playground, Playfield, Basketball, West Main Street

Jordan Pond – Fishing, Tennis, Twenty-acre pond (no public swimming), Paved walking, Behind Coolidge School-South Quinsigamond Avenue to Florence Street. Approximately twenty five acres in size. Accessible entrance is from Ridgeland Road.

Lake St. Recreation Area – Playfields, Paved walking trail (New Summer of 2007), Picnic Grove (New Summer of 2007), Lake Street, behind SAC park. Area currently has a master plan to develop the area into a community park.

Maple Avenue – Playfields, Walking/Jogging, Three-fourths of a mile west of Shrewsbury Center. Approximately nineteen acres in size.

Melody Lane Park – Playfield, Melody Lane, off Route 140 South. Approximately one acre in size.

Municipal Drive – Playfield, Municipal Drive from Grafton Street at Paton School.

North Shore – Playfield, Baseball, Basketball - Parker Road from North Quinsigamond Avenue, one-quarter mile north of White City.

Oak Island (State Owned)-Fishing, Cross-Country Skiing, Boating (public boat launch),opposite Edgemere Boulevard on Route 20 East.

Oak Middle School (Old High School) - Baseball Field, Football Field, Running Track, Tennis Courts, Oak Street, between Rt. 9 and Maple Avenue.

Prospect Park - Cross-Country Skiing, Walking/Jogging, This property is mostly wooded open space.

Prospect Street. Approximately seventy five acres in size. www.ProspectFriends.org

Rotary Park – Fishing, Playfield, Pond View Drive from Old Mill Road. Approximately one acre in size.

Sherwood Middle School – Playfield, Baseball/softball, Hutchins Street from Maple Avenue

Spring Street School – Playground, Basketball, Spring Street, two-thirds of a mile from Prospect Street.

Toblin Hills – Playground, Basketball, Field, Nursery Drive, off Walnut Street

SOUTHBOROUGH 508-229-4452

Harold Fay Memorial Park - Central St., Fayville (Southborough) - There is a gated/enclosed toddler park and a play set for older kids too. Grassy area and ball field are nice, and there is a covered structure where you can get out of the sun. Parking is along the street. Directions: Route 9 west, at the lights turn right onto Central St., and the park is just a little ways down on the left. You can also come down Rte 30 (Pleasant St.), turn left onto Central St. just before the reservoir (street sign is missing, but you can see both sides of the reservoir from there). The park is a ways down on your right.

Fayville Playground, Central Street. Take Rte 9 West past the Mass Turnpike exit. Central St. is on your right at the traffic lights, and there is a big Mobil Station on your left. Turn right onto Central, and

the playground is on your left. Parking is on the street, and there is a stroller entrance at the far end of the ball field.

Margaret A Neary School	(508) 481-2300	57 Parkerville Rd
Mary E Finn School	(508) 485-3176	60 Richards Rd
P Brent Trottier Middle Sch.	(508) 485-2400	49 Parkerville Rd
Woodward School	(508) 485-3176	28 Cordaville Rd

SUDBURY 978-443-1092 P&R

Atkinson Pool – On Hudson Road. Ideal for toddlers through age 5. The fenced in playground is a good size, with a mulched play area and a gazebo. Most equipment is geared toward little ones with smaller slides, creative structures, and 4 safety & 2 regular swings. The structures are brightly colored and there is a giant in-ground sandbox full of trucks, shovels & buckets for little kids to play. There is not much shade here, so hot summer days can be a little steamy. Although most of the equipment is hard plastic, the slides and flat areas can still get hot in the sun. There is a small covered gazebo to escape the sun, and a perfect spot for kids to grab a snack or for moms who need to nurse. There are soccer fields surrounding the playground for running, jumping, playing & picnicking; as well as a skate park for older kids. Restrooms are available just outside the gate between the playground & the parking lot. From Route 128: Take Exit 26/Route 20 West to Wayland Center (Intersection of Rtes. 126/27). Turn right and follow Route 27 (forks to the left) through Sudbury Center. Continue through the light past the churches. The road turns into Hudson Road. After about a mile, turn right onto Fairbanks Road. The playground is on the left, and Atkinson Pool (indoor public swimming pool) is on the right.

Crime Lab Fields	Baseball/Softball
Cutting Field	SoccerLacrosse
Davis Field	SoccerFootballLacrosse

Ephraim Curtis Middle School Fields Baseball/SoftballSoccerBasketballLacrosseField Hockey
Fairbanks, Fairbanks Community Center, 40 Fairbank Road. It's fenced in which is a big plus and there are toddler size toys and huge sandbox. Good for Spring or Fall because there is no shade in the summer

Featherland Park	Baseball/SoftballTennisIce Rink
Frank Feeley Field	Baseball/SoftballSoccerTennisField Hockey
General John Nixon Elementary	School Fields, Baseball/SoftballBasketball
Haskell Field	Baseball/SoftballSoccerSkatingLacrosse

Haskell Tot Lot Playground on Route 20- Nice outdoor playground next to the Sudbury Shaws and CVS stores so there is ample parking. Open seasonally. Great jungle gym (better for older kids), rocking animals for preschoolers and swings for both infants & young children. This is a nice quiet playground that doesn't get a ton of traffic.

Israel Loring Elementary	School Fields, Baseball/SoftballSoccer
Peter Noyes Elementary	School Fields, Baseball/SoftballBasketball
Shaw's Supermarket	on Route 20 has a nice park with baby swings.

SMILE Sudbury Playground Hudson and Fairbanks Fully accessible playground with RAMPS, TRANSFER and CHAIR. Sandbox, climbing wall, great playground for all ages and abilities. You can see more photos by going to www.SMILEMass.org and checking out the playground page for photos Directiond at the corner of Hudson Road and Fairbanks Road
From Route 9: Take Edgell Road to the end, and turn right onto Route 20 east. Pass Sudbury Farms on your right. At first stop light take left, pass Sudbury Lumber. At stop sign take a left onto Old Lancaster and follow this to the end. You will go through a four way stop, continue straight to the end of Old Lancaster. Take a left at stop sign and a right into the Fairbanks Community Center, you will see the playground on your left; 40 Fairbanks Road.

Curtis Middle School	(978) 443-1071	22 Pratts Mill Rd
Haynes Elementary School	(978) 443-1093	169 Haynes Rd

Lincoln-Sudbury Reg High Sch	(978) 443-9961	390 Lincoln Rd
Loring Elementary School	(978) 579-0870	80 Woodside Rd fenced in play area
Nixon School	(978) 443-1080	472 Concord Rd
Noyes School	(978) 443-9282	280 Old Sudbury Rd

WALTHAM 781-891-9343

Cedarwood Playground - Along Intervale Road, behind Brandeis - Playground, Little League baseball diamond, basketball court, field, play equipment.

Drake Playground - Along Bacon Street, Plympton Elementary School - Full basketball court, softball field, playground, wading pool.

James P. Falzone Memorial Park - Along Trapelo Road, across from Our Lady's Church - Baseball/ soccer field. Some . Parking.

Field of Dreams Enterprises, Inc. - 738 Main Street #452 - Contact: Paul Vinciulla - 781-894-3560, 781-736-0680 - This volunteer-based non-profit group is working to construct a handicapped-accessible recreation area for families behind Lawrence School on Trapelo Road. Eventually the group hopes to make all local playgrounds accessible. Volunteer opportunities: Construction, plumbing, fundraising, donating materials, making food for volunteers.

Peter Gilmore Playground - Along High Street - Playground and three full-size basketball courts with lights.

Graverson Playground - Corner of Trapelo and Pine Vale Roads - Playground, full basketball court with lights, lighted tennis courts, Little League baseball diamond, field. Parking.

Hillcroft Playground - Along Hillcroft Road, off Forest Street - Playground and small basketball court.

Koutoujian Park (formerly Moody Street Playground) Along Moody Street, beside Burger King. - Children's playground, skateboard park, softball field, basketball court. (2000/09/21)

Lazazero Playground - Along Lake Street and Hardy Pond - Playground, basketball court with lights, wading pool, two Little League baseball fields.

Logan Park - Along Woerd Avenue - Small neighborhood park, playground, shade trees, benches.

Lowell Field - Corner of Grove and Willow Streets - Playground, wading pool, two softball fields, basketball court with lights and three lighted tennis courts. Parking.

Msgr. McCabe/Warrendale Playground - Candace Avenue, behind Fitzgerald School - Playground, two Little League baseball fields, wading pool, basketball court and three lighted tennis courts. Parking.

McDonald Playground - Corner of Newton and Clinton Streets - Playground, wading pool, basketball court.

McKenna Playground - Along Elm Street - Major league baseball field with lights, two basketball courts with lights. Parking.

Nipper Maher Park - Dartmouth Street, off South Street - Large facility with major league baseball field with lights, three Little League baseball fields, wading pool, playground, basketball court with lights, three lighted tennis courts and restrooms. Parking.

Pond End Tot Lot - Corner of Pond End School Lane and Winter Street - Small neighborhood park and playground.

Riverwalk Park - From Moody to Prospect Street - Trail along the Charles River. Photographs.

Roberts Playground - Corner of Sunnyside and South Streets - Playground, basketball court and small softball field.

Storer Conservation Land - Grounds of the Paine Estate - 781-893-4040, ext. 3149 - Conservation land with trails, interpretive signs and handicap access. Parking. See separate listing for Paine Estate under Parks and Cultural Resources.

Thompson Playground - Along Charles Street - Small playground with basketball court.

Elsie Turner Field - Along Trapelo Road, across from Federal Records Center - Softball field.

WAYLAND 508-358-3660 <http://www.wayland.ma.us/park/parks.html>

Alpine Field Playground on Alpine Road. This is a new playground specially designed for the toddler set. It features a wide variety of play structures and a sandbox with equipment and toys. Fenced in, with a gate, in a quiet wooded setting. Take 126 North into Wayland. Cross over Route 20 and remain on 126, turn left onto Sherman Bridge Road, then another left onto Alpine Road.

Alpine Field	24 Alpine Road
Bucyk Field	41 Cochituate Road
Hannah Williams Playground	71 Main Street
Riverview Field	42 Riverview Avenue
Town Building Soccer Field	41 Cochituate Road
Wayland Town Beach	Parkland Drive Extension
Cochituate Field	32 West Plain Street
Wayland Town Pool	258 Old Conn. Path

Claypit Hill School	(508) 358-7401	Adams Ln RAMP
Happy Hollow School	(508) 358-2120	63 Pequot Rd
Loker School	(508) 655-0331	47 Loker St
Wayland High School	(508) 358-7746	264 Old Connecticut Path
Wayland Middle School	(508) 655-6670	201 Main St

WELLESLEY 781 431-1019 X290

Elm Bank Reservation and Playground, 900 Washington Street. At the intersection of route 135 and 16. Go south on route 16 and you'll see it on your left. Follow the one lane road until you come to Flora store and park. Go through the gates and follow the path to your left. There is an exploring garden of herbs and formal gardens as well. It is run by the Massachusetts Horticulture Society. Much of it is at ground level.

Hardy School Playground, Weston Road. Take Route 9 to the Weston Road exit. Take a right at the end of the ramp. You'll see a school building on the left. Take a left on Hardy Road just past the school. This is an awesome playground with lots of climbing structures, slides, swings, 2 baby swings, room to run around, and plenty of shade. Great for all ages.

Perron Park, Thomas Road. This is a really nice playground for all ages. It's almost entirely in shade and has 4 baby swings, a sandbox, climbing structures, and slides. From Route 9, take Weston Road exit. Take a left at the end of the ramp. Go ½ mile, and take a left onto Thomas Road.

Warren Playground on 90 Washington Street/ Route 16 at the intersection of Walnut Street. Most of the playground is in the shade and it has play equipment for younger and older kids - sandbox, swings and see saw for toddlers, two play structures for elementary and older kids and lots of space to run around and have a picnic.

Hunnewell Elementary School	(781) 446-6275	28 Cameron St
John D Hardy Elementary School	(781) 446-6270	293 Weston Rd
Joseph E Fiske Elementary Schl	(781) 446-6265	45 Hastings St
Katherine Lee Bates Elem Schl	(781) 446-6260	116 Elmwood Rd
Schofield Elementary School	(781) 446-6280	27 Cedar St
Sprague School	(781) 263-1965	401 School St
Upham Elementary School	(781) 446-6285	35 Wynnewood Rd

WESTON 781-893-1263 ext.16

Country Elementary School	(781) 529-8020	10 Alphabet Ln
Weston Field School	(781) 529-8000	99 School St
Woodland School	(781) 529-8100	10 Alphabet Ln

Boundless Playgrounds in Massachusetts - www.boundlessplaygrounds.org - Their mission is to build truly inclusive playgrounds where children — and adults — of all abilities can play and learn together in a fun and welcoming environment.

Beverly - [Rising Stars Playground](#) - North Beverly Elementary School, 48 Putnam Street

Boston - [Harambee Park Boundless Playground](#) - Harambee Park, Talbot Avenue

Fairhaven - [Everybody's Playground](#) - Leroy L. Wood School, 60 Scoticut Neck Road

Longmeadow - [Wilson Boundless Playground](#) - Bliss Park, 252 Bliss Road

New Bedford - [Buttonwood Park](#), Lt Walter E Fuller Memorial Pkwy

North Attleboro - [North Attleboro Early Learning Center Playground](#), 25 School Street

Pittsfield - [Rotary Park](#) - Springside Park, Springside Avenue

Sudbury - [Lyons' Pride - A Boundless Playground](#), 40 Fairbank Road

West Dennis - [All Access Playground](#) - The Graded School, 75 School Street

Westford - [Ronan McElligott Memorial Playground](#) - Edwards Beach, Williams Avenue

OTHER HELPFUL INFORMATION

Go to this web address and download a brochure on accessible outdoor recreation opportunities.

Places that offer swimming, cycling, fishing, camping, etc. are listed here at www.mass.gov/dcr/documents/access.pdf

DCR Universal Access for Massachusetts can be found at www.mass.gov/dcr/universal_access/index.htm Their number is 413-545-5353

Boston Globe Article on top playgrounds in the Greater Boston area – Spring 2008

HYPERLINK <http://www.boston.com/bostonglobe/magazine/articles/2008/06/22/parks2/>
www.boston.com/bostonglobe/magazine/articles/2008/06/22/parks2/

1. Artesani Playground - 1255 Soldiers Field Road, Brighton

Located on the banks of the Charles River not far from where Alewife Brook Parkway meets Soldiers Field Road, Artesani Playground is actually two playgrounds side by side: one for tots, the other for older children. There's plenty of parking, and with lots of picnic tables and benches, parents can chill as the kids check out the slides and monkey bars.

Prime attraction: Water, in all of its glory. In addition to the Charles flowing by, there's a wading pool that's open in the summer. Jets shoot streams into the air, and lifeguards watch over. As important, there are bathrooms. "This place is really clean," says Cambridge's Maria Zaklin, 34, mother of 3-year-old Eli. "You have to shower before you go into the pool."

Downside: Don't let the kids scramble out of the fenced area. They'll run into a little thing called goose droppings. On this spring day, the Artesani could also use its hot dog stand. "Sometimes the kids get hungry," says Milagros Rosado, 30, who regularly hauls her two children from Dorchester to the park.

2. Titus Sparrow Park - West Newton Street, next to the Southwest Corridor Park, Boston

Tucked into the South End, Titus Sparrow Park is the ultimate compact urban play space. Dog walkers stroll along, making sure not to let Fido relieve himself in the meadow. Basketball players hit the court. Kids play on the swings, slides, and monkey bars. Prime attraction: Location, location, location. There's also Kathy Hanson, a 63-year-old neighbor who watches over Titus like a hall monitor. On a recent morning, she pounced on a schoolgirl standing on a toddler swing ("It'll break, and that's the second one we've had") and chased down a dog owner she anticipated might be heading to the meadow. "People either love her or hate her," says Giulia Del Guercio, while keeping an eye on her son Jacob, 5. "I love her."

Downside: Take your stroller envy pills – bugaboos are everywhere. “It’s like an SUV for strollers,” said Scott Nelson, 32, trying to justify the \$1,000-plus that a group of family members spent on his firstborn’s stroller and accessories. “It gets through everything.”

3. Warren Park - 90 Washington Street, Wellesley

We were expecting pricey baby gear, Gwen Stefani-style (see: Titus Sparrow). Instead, this Wellesley playground was decidedly low-key. There’s plenty of variety, from a rock-climbing wall for bigger kids to three long slides to a large climbing structure. “This playground is big enough but enclosed, so you’re not afraid they’re going to run into the street,” says Wellesley’s Shirley Macbeth, there with her three children.

Prime attraction: Lots of foliage makes Warren a perfect spot during the dog days of summer. “With some playgrounds, the slides are too hot to even go down,” says Natick’s Kimberly Duckworth, 40, who was playing with her toddler, Clara. “Here, it’s shaded at just the right time.”

Downside: The park is not close enough to walk to a Starbucks or Dunkin’ Donuts. “You need to go in there with a substance, caffeine or some piece of reading material,” says parenting author Harlyn Aizley, a mother of a 6-year-old. You have to plan for Warren.

4. Winthrop Park - St. Paul Street, Brookline

Inside this fenced-in 2-acre site, you’ll find a playground, a ball field, and the Minot Rose Garden. The crowd displays the kind of diversity you would expect in Coolidge Corner, with sunbathing college students on one side and Orthodox Jews just out of Saturday services on the other.

Prime attraction: A rock-climbing ramp with chains for pulling yourself up, 10 swings, long slides, and a tot area with rubber-tire padding to prevent painful falls. But the atmosphere is key: Winthrop is usually packed, except at naptime.

Downside: No bathroom, but don’t despair. A public library is just around the corner on Pleasant Street. Lila says: “The park was very pretty. I liked that there were big trees so I could hide.”

5. Robbins Farm Park - 61 Eastern Avenue, Arlington

This 11-acre park in Arlington is a prime sledding and kite-flying spot, and the panoramic view of Boston is stunning. Robbins is also, thanks to an active friends group, a gathering spot throughout the summer, with movies and Red Sox games shown on a giant rented screen. The recently renovated playground’s also a keeper.

Prime attraction: The 50-foot slides – two of them, side by side, allowing for races – draw kids from all over. Cambridge’s Karen Soroca, 37, heard about it from a woman in her yoga class and decided to take her 2-year-old daughter, Sarah. “We’re here so she’s not bouncing off the sofa,” she says.

Downside: There’s no bathroom. And with so much to see and do – and a playground packed with people – it can be easy to lose sight of little Janie. There’s a great tire swing.