



## Case Study: Educational

### Amherst College

**Industry:** Education      **Location:** Amherst, Massachusetts      **Architect:** William Rawn Associates, Architects

As a key design element in the King Dormitory housing at Amherst College in Massachusetts, Plyboo edge grain natural plywood was used throughout the construction. Applications on this project included seating areas, workstations and cabinetry in each of the dormitory rooms. Amherst was an early adopter in the use and application of Plyboo bamboo plywood for educational environments.



#### Materials Used:



Natural Edge Grain  
Bamboo Plywood  
BP-V4896NAUF/FSC



## Specifications

### Possible LEED Credits:

Low emitting materials and certified wood



### Physical / Mechanical Properties - Edge Grain Bamboo Plywood

Dimensions:	3/4" x 48" x 96" 19mm x 1219mm x 2438mm (*mm tolerance +/- .5mm thickness)
Construction:	Three-ply, cross core construction.
Working with Plyboo:	A worksheet is provided with each panel containing useful tips and information and is also available on our website at <a href="http://plyboo.com/downloads">plyboo.com/downloads</a> .
ASTM E84: Surface Burning	Class C
ASTM D1037: Dimensional Stability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Linear Expansion (3-ply): Parallel -0.04% / Perpendicular -0.07%</li> <li>• Thickness Swell (3-ply): -0.13%</li> </ul> Screw Hold (3-ply) (face/back/edge) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 742 lbs/ 831 lbs/ 860 lbs average</li> </ul>
ASTM D4442: Moisture Content	6-9% average
ASTM D 6007-02: Formaldehyde Concentration in Air from Wood Products, small chamber test	Plyboo = 0.004 ppm (surpasses CARB II standards, 0.05ppm & ULEF standards of 0.04ppm)