

## APPLETON AIRPORT STARTS NONSTOP FLIGHT TO DALLAS

American Airlines provides daily service

(Appleton, Wis.) June 5, 2024—Daily, nonstop flights from Appleton International Airport (ATW) to Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport (DFW) will start June 6, 2024. This is the second nonstop route expansion launched by the Appleton Airport this year.

Airport officials say they have been working on this route expansion for almost a decade.

"This is the number one destination travelers and business leaders have asked for," said Abe Weber, Appleton airport director. "Being able to offer nonstop flights to major hubs like Dallas/Ft. Worth only positions the Fox Cities as a progressive location for business and future economic development."

Weber said when airlines expand routes it requires a major investment in technology, equipment, planes, and support staff, especially for daily service. With this added route, people traveling through Appleton will be linked to major markets across the country and the world

"American is thrilled to begin the only nonstop service from ATW to Texas, linking Northeastern Wisconsin to our hub at DFW where we'll operate more than 925 peak-day flights to more than 230 destinations this summer," said Joe Sottile, American Airlines Director of Domestic and Short-Haul International Network Planning. "When combined with now-year-round service to our CLT hub and our longstanding service to ORD, American is excited to offer convenient connectivity for ATW travelers to destinations across the U.S. and around the world on our comprehensive global network."

"This new route connects Northeast Wisconsin to the fourth largest metropolitan area in the country," said Thomas Nelson, Outagamie County Executive. "It's just one more example of airlines recognizing the economic importance of our region on a global scale."

The Appleton International Airport created a promotional video to announce the new Dallas route. You can view it <u>here</u>.

American Airlines continues to heavily invest in Appleton with 58% more flights and 46% more seats year over year. The Appleton Airport is served by American, Delta, and United airlines and is the only Wisconsin airport served by Allegiant Airlines. In 2023, a nonstop route to Portland was added; in 2024 nonstop flights to New York (EWR), and Dallas (DFW) were added. Other nonstop routes include:

- Portland, Oregon
- Phoenix/Mesa, Arizona
- Nashville, Tennessee
- Las Vegas, Nevada

- New York (Newark)
- Savannah/Hilton Head, Georgia
- Flights to Florida include Ft. Lauderdale/Miami, Orlando/Daytona Beach, Tampa/St. Petersburg, Sarasota/Bradenton, Ft. Meyers/Punta Gorda
- Atlanta, Georgia
- Charlotte, North Carolina
- Chicago, Illinois
- Dallas/Ft. Worth (DFW)
- Minneapolis/St. Paul, Minnesota
- Detroit, Michigan
- Denver, Colorado

Appleton International Airport is the third busiest airport in the state and it logged its busiest month ever in March of 2024, welcoming 100,800 total passengers (enplaned and deplaned). In addition to a record-breaking March 2024, the Appleton International Airport broke all travel records in 2023 with total arrivals and departures topping 967,687.

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## **About Appleton International Airport**

Appleton International Airport connects our community to the world through American Airlines, Delta Air Lines, United Airlines, and Allegiant Air. In addition to offering nonstop service to 18 destinations, Appleton Airport connects to 12 major international airport hubs from which travelers can fly to almost anywhere in the world. Using Appleton Airport, travelers can safely and more conveniently get to their destination and home again, leaving them more time for what really matters. Appleton International Airport is the third largest airport in Wisconsin according to arrivals and departures. Visit <u>atwairport.com</u> to learn more.