

Seminole County Lawn/Grounds Care Bid Specifications

Bid Process for 2019

The lawns/grounds of the Seminole County School System must be maintained in a professional and attractive manner; therefore, bids submitted for these services shall be submitted with the understanding that all work associated with the following duties are a requirement of the contract.

- 1) Grass shall be cut on a regular basis determined by the rate of growth to maintain a professional appearance at all times.
- 2) Each time the grass is cut, a weed eater or other similar tool shall be used around the edge of the buildings, posts, fences, and all other areas not accessible to the mowing machine.
- 3) Shrubs and hedges shall be trimmed a minimum of three (3) times per year or as needed based on the rate of growth.
- 4) Sidewalks and other concrete/asphalt areas shall be edged no less than every other time the grass is cut or as needed based on the rate of growth.
- 5) The sod areas around the Agriculture Center shall be cut on the same time schedule as the middle/high school campus.
- 6) The area located between the Agriculture Center and the Transportation Facility shall not be part of this contract.
- 7) The sod area around the Transportation Facility shall not be a part of this contract.
- 8) The football field shall be cut according to the specifications shown on the attached schedule.
- 9) The baseball and softball fields shall be cut, fertilized, etc. on the same basis as the football field.
- 10) The area behind the baseball and softball field shall be maintained by bush hogging on a schedule to be determined by the principal of the school.
- 11) The band practice field shall be cut on the same schedule as the main grounds of the middle/high school.
- 12) The playgrounds, track area, and Central Office complex shall be maintained on the same schedule as the elementary school.
- 13) The schools shall be responsible for removing student-generated trash on all areas to be maintained.
- 14) The contractor shall be available to the schools for additional maintenance when special events take place if the grounds are in need of attention.
- 15) The contractor shall remove all debris created by regular maintenance and shall dispose of the debris in pre-arranged locations or off the school campuses.
- 16) The contractor shall provide all machinery and equipment necessary to maintain the condition of the grounds as specified.
- 17) The school system reserves the right to cancel this contract at any time if the work performed is not satisfactory and contractor fails to make corrective actions or fails to comply with reasonable requests.

Turf Maintenance and Care

Sports Facilities

Stadium

Chemical Application: Toward the end of January or the beginning of February (as thistle first appears) apply Attrazine 2lb, 2-4D 1lb, MSMA 40oz. and a crop surfactant of 2lb. Repeat as necessary. *Key: Get rid of the thistle before it emerges and takes over.

Nutrients: According to experts in our area, the following schedule should be used:

April 1 st	500 lb	10-10-10
May 15 th	125 lb	Ammonium Nitrate
June 15 th	125 lb	Ammonium Nitrate
July 15 th	125 lb	Ammonium Nitrate
Aug. 15 th	125 lb	Ammonium Nitrate
Sept. 15 th	500 lb	10-10-10

Insecticides: Specifically for fire ants, mole crickets, and grass spiders: Orathene or Acephate at a rate specified per instructions appropriate for the stadium grass. Repeat as necessary. Granule application for mounds as necessary. *Key – Spray or granule the entire stadium.

Cutting: Late fall, winter, and early spring – Maintain or cut as needed. As spring progresses, the grass should be cut once a week and then twice a week during heavy growing periods. Grass should be cut often enough to prevent large amounts of clippings on the field. During football season, the grass should be cut twice per week. Monday and Wednesday. The field is painted every Wednesday night.

Practice Field: Chemical, nutrient, and insecticide applications should be the same. Cutting as needed. Once weekly should be sufficient during heavy growing periods.

Baseball/Softball Fields

Chemical, nutrient, and insecticide applications should be applied at the same intervals as the Stadium applications based on the square footage of turf on each field according to the chemical and nutrient manufacture's specifications.

Cutting: Similar to the Stadium, the baseball and softball fields must be maintain year round. Softball is a fall sport while baseball is a spring sport. Both fields are used during the off season and throughout the summer for practice. Fields should be cut a minimum of once a week and sometimes twice per week during peak growing seasons. Game schedules will be provided to help coordinate cuttings to ensure the condition of the fields are good for home games.