

Blytheville Public Schools
Lawn Care Spray Services

You are invited to submit a bid for lawn care spray services for property owned by Blytheville Public Schools. All bidders must possess a valid license from the Arkansas Department of Agriculture prior to submitting bids. The locations are listed below and site plans have been included for each.

- Blytheville High School – 600 N. 10th St., Blytheville, AR 72315
- Blytheville Middle School – 700 W. Chickasawba, Blytheville, AR 72315
- Blytheville Elementary – 216 E. Moultrie Dr., Blytheville, AR 72315
- Blytheville Primary/Kindergarten Center/Multi-Purpose Building – 1103 Byrum Rd., Blytheville, AR 72315
- Blytheville Public Schools Administration Building – 405 Park St., Blytheville, AR 72315

Please submit sealed bids by no later than 1:00 pm, March 19, 2020 to Brandon Harper, Operations Manager, 405 Park St., Blytheville, AR 72315. No bids will be accepted after 1:00 pm, March 19, 2020.

Services to be provided shall include the following:

Herbicide:

- Before any herbicide is applied, contractor shall contact the Operations Manager of Blytheville Public Schools to establish an application schedule.
- Pre-emergent herbicide will be applied to all turf areas in accordance with manufacturer's recommendations to control weeds prior to germination. Chemical control shall be selected for the broadest spectrum control possible. The contractor may elect to use combination chemical applications. Should this maintenance approach be taken, it will be made in strict observation of the manufacturer's recommendations, as well as Arkansas Department of Agriculture requirements.
- Post-emergent herbicides shall be applied in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations, as well as Arkansas Department of Agriculture requirements to control weeds, which are not controlled by the pre-emergent program.

Fertilization:

- Before any herbicide is applied, contractor shall contact the Operations Manager of Blytheville Public Schools to establish an application schedule.
- First application in early spring to stimulate growth
- Second application in the summer to sustain growth
- Third application in late fall to establish a hearty root system for the dormant period.

General Standards:

- A copy of campus maps is included with this bid proposal in order to assist bidders with familiarity and layout of property.
- The contractor must possess a General License from the City of Blytheville or an Arkansas municipality recognized by the City of Blytheville. Responsibility lies with the contractor in order to verify whether their General License is recognized by the City of Blytheville. Bidder must provide a copy of their General License with bid proposal.
- All bidders must possess a valid license from the Arkansas Department of Agriculture in order to submit a bid; the license must be in the name of the bidder, not a subcontractor. If a contractor is found to not have a valid license from the Arkansas Department of Agriculture, their bid proposal will not be accepted.
- The contractor shall maintain at its sole expense the following minimum insurance limits and supply a copy of the following with bid proposal:
 - a) A Workman's Compensation for Statutory Limits in compliance with all applicable State and Federal Laws.
 - b) Comprehensive General Liability Insurance coverage with a minimum limit of \$1,000,000 for any one occurrence combined for bodily, and Personal Injury and Property Damage.
 - c) Automobile Liability including owned, non-owned and hired automobiles with no less than \$500,000 for any one occurrence combined for Bodily and Personal Injury and Property Damage.
- The contractor must submit a list of current customer references
- All work must be performed when students are not present on grounds.
- The District reserves the right to terminate any contract awarded for failure to comply with any of the above expectations.

- If a contract is awarded and the winning bidder fails to maintain their license from the Arkansas Department of Agriculture during the term of contract, the District shall rescind the contract.
- All bid proposals are due by no later than 1:00 pm, March 19, 2020.
- Bid evaluations (opening of bids) will be held in the curriculum room at the Administration Building located at 405 Park St., Blytheville, AR 72315 on March 20, 2020 at 10:00 am. Bid evaluations will be open to the public, as well as all bidders. Incomplete bids will not be considered.

Blytheville Public Schools reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Equal Employment Opportunity

Aligned with the mission of the Blytheville Public Schools is the commitment to educational equity for all students, staff, and patrons of the school system. In all places and in all activities of the Blytheville Public Schools, it is expected that every individual will be treated in a fair and equitable manner. All conduct will reflect a belief in the dignity and value of each person regardless of the individual's race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, national origin, disability, age, marital status, citizenship status, or economic status.