

Berkshire Lawn Mowing Specifications 2023

Revision 1.0 3-2-23

The base price for services should include lawn mowing, string trimming, post-emergent herbicide, blowing of grass debris after cutting grass and trimming.

Each candidate should present a Workers' Compensation insurance policy and a property and public liability insurance certificate. In lieu of a performance bond, the Board reserves the right to cancel this contract at any time. Contract period runs from April 1st to November 30th.

Payments will be made in 8 equal installments beginning April 1st, 2023 and by the 5th of each month thereafter.

Bids should be submitted electronically to Beth McCaffrey, beth.mccaffrey@berkshireschools.org, by 10:00 AM on March 10, 2023.

Any questions regarding the specifications, locations of buildings, or a tour of building locations, should be directed to Al Vontorcik, Facilities and Technology Director, at (440) 834-3380 ext. 3324.

Details

Weekly mowing as weather conditions permits of all locations listed.

During perimeter pass, blow all grass away from the building and sidewalks.

Include blowing off all hard surfaces and mulched flower beds after cutting and trimming.

Around main entrances, blow grass at least 10' away from the entrance sidewalks.

String trim ditches in front of Kent State, Kuhnle Diesel Tech. and the practice fields every 2 mows.

Additional landscaping and fill dirt will be requested as needed by the district.

Berkshire K-12 School

Servicing of the mulch beds 2 times per season.

Cutting all the grass around the school building and along the driveway.

Please note new grassy areas East of the building, North and South of the Stadium and around the back pond North of the Stadium

Kent State:

Please include servicing the mulch beds 2 times per season.

Please include mowing the weeds in the water retention pond -1-2 times per season as needed as weather and water permits.

Kent State has a solar array that is planted with a wildflower mix. The mix is intended not to be mowed per Kent State.

Berkshire Practice Field

Cut all grass at the practice fields.

Old Burton Elementary-Ballfields Only April 1, 2023 through 6/30/2023 Only

Please include cutting the Baseball and Softball fields only. Do not include the old school / new church properties. Fields should be cut twice per week.

Kuhnle Diesel Tech / Transportation

Cut Grass, string trim

Berkshire Lawn Mowing Specifications 2023

Locations:

Berkshire Pre-K – 12

14155 Claridon Troy Road Burton, Ohio 44021

Kent State Geauga Campus

14111 Claridon Troy Road Burton, Ohio 44021

Kuhle Diesel Tech / Transportation (old Board Office)

14259 Claridon Troy Road Burton, Ohio 44021

Berkshire Practice Field

Across from 14259 Claridon Troy Road Burton, Ohio 44021

Previous Burton Elementary – Berkshire Baseball Fields

Baseball and Softball Fields only

13724 Carlton Street Burton, Ohio 44021

Recent Questions & Answers

Q1.) Are you still wanting the areas around the baseball/softball fields at the old burton elementary mowed as we did last year or just inside the fields themselves? Are we wanting the fields mowed twice per week for the entire season or just in the Spring during baseball/softball season. I would like to arrange some coordination if a second mow is needed as previously I showed up for the second mows and the coaches said they'd prefer to just push mow the infield themselves on the second one. Just don't want to make additional trips if not necessary though I am happy to make the trip when needed.

A: Like last year for the ballfields. 2x in the spring when the grass is growing. 1x when it slows down growing, I do not know anything about what the coaches were doing - they never told us.

Updated 3-1-23 April 1, 2023 through 6/30/2023 Only

Q2.) For servicing the mulch beds twice per season are you wanting mulch installed twice per season or is this for weed control? If mulch installed twice per season what general areas are you wanting it installed? Early spring and before school returns? Any trimming of plants?

A: Mulch in the spring, & then touch then up. Please do weed control but no trimming of any plants.

Q3.) I do not think the slopes of the pond by the new football stadium can be maintained with a regular zero turn as they are only rated for 15 degree slopes. We do have slope mowers but I do not generally bring them on every visit. The slope mowers will handle that pond as well as the retention ponds with ease. What frequency were you looking at having the back pond done at? Are we putting this with the retention ponds at 1-2 times per season or more frequently?

A: Retention pond slopes 1 once per month. is that doable? I am not sure what the growth rate is here yet, and don't want it to get out of hand where it looks bad once it is mowed.

Old Burton Elementary Ballfields Area to be mowed:

