LAWN MOWING BID SPECIFICATIONS

1. Service will include mowing of all lawn currently being cut on the main campus, near the construction technology building on the south side of Jackson Road, the park area at the top of Mt. Zion, the Mt. Zion sign off Lake Road, and the arboretum on Mt. Zion Road, the U.S. 2 boulevard at the CDL lot, and the area around the Skilled Trades Building at 250 E Midland. This amounts to approximately fifteen acres.

2. Hand trimming is required around all trees, sign posts, fence posts, flower and shrub beds, and areas too steep to be mowed safely with a conventional mower.

3. A non-specific herbicide such as Roundup is to be applied weekly to any growth of grass and weeds that appear around the main entrance to the Lindquist Center and sidewalk areas.

4. Mower decks are to be set so lawn is cut no shorter than 2-1/2 inches.

5. Clippings are to be dispersed evenly over the lawn area, and not discharged over roadways, parking lots, and sidewalks. Any clippings discharged as clumps must be picked up or a second mowing is required to disburse them, along with any clippings under the overhang (rock area) on the Academic Building.

6. The contractor is required to provide all equipment, fuel, and other items necessary to perform this service.

7. Mowing is to be done on an as needed basis, but no less than weekly, unless determined by the Director of Buildings and Grounds that mowing is not required in a given week. The contractor should expect to provide service between May 1 and October 15 of each year.

8. The contract is for the 2020 through 2023 seasons and the bid will state the cost to the college on an annual basis.

9. The contractor is deemed to be an independent contractor with respect to this contract.

10. The contractor must provide proof of workman’s compensation insurance, liability insurance coverage of at least $1,000,000, and a copy of the State of Michigan license to apply pesticides.

11. The contractor also agrees that prior to leaving the grounds they will report to the College’s representative who will determine that all work has been completed to the College’s satisfaction.

12. Payment will be made on a monthly basis only for services rendered at the time of the contractor’s billing.

13. Either party may cancel the contract with 60 days written notice.
14. Sealed bids are to be received in the Office of the Dean of Business Services no later than 1:00 p.m. October 17, 2019. The envelope is to be labeled **LAWN MOWING BID**.