COMMERCIAL LAWN CARE AND LANDSCAPING SCHEDULE:

January-March: Protect the lawn from damage such as foot traffic and salt overspray. Continue mowing regularly if your lawn has not gone dormant, water during hot spells.

April: Treat for crabgrass where applicable; rake up yard debris; tune up and sharpen lawn mower and prep other power equipment; begin mowing as the grass begins to grow; begin regular weeding. Add amendments as necessary.

May: Top-dress with compost or similar amendment if treating naturally; apply grub control as necessary; fertilize. Raise mowing height except on Bermuda grass; inspect for early insect outbreaks.

June-August: Mow until lawn goes dormant; water regularly to supply amount necessary for your grass type; watch for insect outbreaks and infestation; fertilize cool season grasses in late August, just as weather cools, possibly with weed control. Mow as often as necessary to ensure lawn is kept at ideal height; fertilize warm season grasses midsummer; check for insect outbreaks and treat as necessary.

September-October: Continue mowing as long as grass is actively growing but lower the mowing height by ½"; reduce watering slightly. Watch for disease outbreaks, fertilize as necessary, overseed with cool-season grass seed as preferred.

November-December: Winterize mower and power equipment for storage over winter months. Remove leaves and debris off lawn as necessary, check for fall insect outbreaks.

Texas features uniformly mild, wet winters, and hot, humid summers. The abundance of moisture provides a breeding ground for insects and a hospitable environment for many different lawn diseases, so vigilance is key in our area.
HLB Services will treat any problems with the appropriate solution as soon as signs of disease become apparent. Bermuda Grass, St. Augustine Grass, and Zoysia Grass all do well in Texas.

Whether you're working with an existing <u>commercial lawn maintenance company</u> or looking to install a completely new one, a good plan is essential to success and can attract of deter business from your commercial place of business. Our team at **HLB Services** will help plan regular maintenance and the actual design of the lawn, which should take into account both aesthetic and pragmatic concerns.