

YMCA ACHIEVES QUALITY RATED STATUS FOR PRIMETIME AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM

It is with great pride that we announce the completion of our Quality Rated certification!

The Valdosta-Lowndes County Family YMCA was the first after-school program in the state of Georgia to receive quality rating. The YMCA PrimeTime after-school program has sites at local schools and the Valdosta YMCA. We're extremely proud that all 7 of the Lowndes County School System sites and the Valdosta YMCA site received quality rating.



For those of you unfamiliar, Quality Rated is Georgia's system to assess, improve, and communicate the level of quality in early education and school-age care programs. Any child care program participating in Georgia's Quality Rated has agreed to meet standards that exceed the state's licensing requirements and is committed to improving the quality of care it provides to children. Based on the results of a rigorous application process, programs are assessed and qualifying programs earn the Quality Rated accreditation. Accreditation is awarded based on a combination of points gathered from independent observations and a portfolio that demonstrates that the program meets standards above and beyond what licensing requires. The Quality Rated system was designed so that any parent selecting a program participating in Quality Rated can feel confident that they are enrolling their child in a program that is committed to continuous quality improvement and higher quality standards.

We are VERY proud of our staff for all their hard work and dedication in helping us achieve this goal.

