

NAS Meridian School Age Care receives accreditation

The employees of the NAS Meridian Child and Youth Program (CYP) are proud to announce the accreditation of the School Age Care program (SAC) through the Council on Accreditation (COA).

The Council on Accreditation is the premier accrediting body for After School Age Care programs.

"The entire CYP team is proud of their accomplishment and commitment to high quality care," said Deridre Odom, NAS Meridian's CYP Director.

"We really appreciated the assistance of families and other community members who supported our efforts on behalf of children."

School Age Care programs are required to be successful in the three competency areas of accreditation. These competency areas include: Essential Life, Safety, and Health and Welfare.

The accreditation process involves a detailed review and analysis of both the program's administrative operations and

its service delivery practice. All areas are measured against national standards.

The process is a challenging and lengthy one that includes: program assessments, parental involvement, community involvement, establishment of program evidence portfolios, and a final COA validator observation visit. The validator visit for NAS Meridian School Age Care was July 25-26, 2011.

For more information about SAC call (601) 679-2652.