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Dec. 2, 2009 -- After 14 months of hard work and preparation, the Carlisle Barracks School Age Services Program has received the highest score possible by the National After School Association.

“We go through accreditation through an outside national organization every four years,” said Bob Salviano, YS director. “Getting accredited by NAA is not an automatic thing for before- and-after school programs. Their guidelines are very stringent.” The centers are also accredited separately by the Department of the Army.

The Carlisle Barracks program passed with flying colors.

“I am happy to report that not only did we have no deficiencies in a list of 144 Standards that were checked during the endorser visit, but out of 432 possible points we were awarded 430 points - the highest this endorsement team has ever given,” he said. “I was confident that we would do well because I knew we were extremely well prepared, and we have an outstanding staff at Carlisle Barracks, but I never expected such a high score and overwhelming comments.”

There high scores were the result of a lot of hard work, according to Salviano.

“The staff has gone through a great deal of additional training from January to October to be better prepared and to better provide and improve exceptional programs in the School Age Program,” he said. “The center has undergone significant renovations of each of our classrooms and of course a total remodel of our new Café. We have provided many new educational games, educational toys, equipment, and supplies for the SAS Program to enhance the activities and learning potential for the children we serve.”