

WHAT DOES OWNING AN ENERGY STAR QUALIFIED HOME MEAN TO YOU?

Many homes built by The Oaks Development Company carry the ENERGY STAR seal of approval. ENERGY STAR qualified homes use less energy for heating, cooling, and water heating, making them more energy-efficient than a standard home. In order to earn the ENERGY STAR, homes must pass an energy performance test given by an independent and certified home energy Rater.

Benefits You Will Enjoy:

- Energy Cost Savings: Energy saving features contribute to reduced utility costs
- Improved Comfort and Reduced Noise: Tight construction and improved insulation help keep out excess heat, cold, and noise, while maintaining a consistent temperature throughout the house.
- Lower Maintenance: Energy-efficient heating and cooling equipment lasts longer and requires less maintenance. Energy-efficient windows reduce fading of furniture and finishes.
- Healthier Indoor Air: Tight construction, coupled with increased ventilation, keeps dust, pollen, and car exhaust out so you can breathe easier.
- Higher Resale Value: Studies show that energy-efficient homes are more highly valued in the housing market than standard homes.
- Better Construction: With a focus on quality you can be assured that your ENERGY STAR qualified home has been built with care and attention to detail.
- Third-Party Tested: Participating Homebuilders work with independent energy Raters to certify their homes as ENERGY STAR qualified.
- Good for the Environment: Almost 20 percent of air pollution results from energy used in homes. An ENERGY STAR qualified home uses significantly less energy than a standard home. So, while you are saving money you're also protecting the environment by keeping the air cleaner.

