



# Green is Good in Nashville

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WHAT ?	WHY ?	David Weekley EnergySaver™ Home	10-year old Home	Competition
<b>Environments For Living® Diamond Level Program</b>	A home built under the <i>Environments For Living</i> program is an energy-efficient home that has been constructed using the principles of building science – homes that offer energy efficiency, indoor environmental quality and durability benefits.	<b>YES!</b>	NO	
<b>SEER Rating HVAC System</b>	Higher number = More efficient This means less money out of your pocket.	<b>14</b>	10	
<b>Variable Speed Furnace</b>	Variable speed = better humidity control and less energy used Your home will cost less money to heat and also offers superior humidity control.	<b>YES!</b>	NO	
<b>Vinyl Windows and Low-E2 Glass</b>	Windows are a huge energy drain. Vinyl framed Low-E2 windows deflect much more of the Texas sun, resist sweating and humidity, and they don't radiate heat like metal windows.	<b>YES! and YES!</b>	NO and NO	
<b>Radiant Barrier Decking</b>	Hot attic = Less efficient HVAC system Radiant barrier decking (under shingled roofs) reflects solar radiation, keeping attics cooler, and the temperature in your home more stable.	<b>YES!</b>	NO	
<b>R-Value Ceiling Insulation</b>	Higher number = Less outside heat comes into your home Less outside heat means less use of your air conditioning – saving you money.	<b>38</b>	30	
<b>R-Value Wall System</b>	Higher number = Less outside heat comes into your home Again, you can save energy by keeping outside heat where it belongs – outside!	<b>19</b>	11	
<b>Air Conditioning Filters</b>	Higher = Better filtration A higher number indicates a more efficient filtering of the air in your home.	<b>MERV 10</b>	3	
<b>Mold Resistant Shower and Tub Walls</b>	HardieBacker® Cement Board and anti-fracture coatings (No drywall or greenboard allowed in wet areas.)	<b>YES! and YES!</b>	NO and NO	
<b>Tankless Water Heaters</b>	Tankless water heaters are a more efficient way to heat water. It heats water quickly and delivers an abundant supply of hot water so you only pay for what you use.	<b>YES!</b>	NO	
<b>Fresh Air System</b>	Better air quality. Air can become stale. In tighter environments with reduced drafts, a fresh air system can help you live better in your home.	<b>YES!</b>	NO	
<b>Duct Leakage and Draft Elimination</b>	The amount of air that leaks through your walls, doors and ceiling on an hourly basis.(Lower number is better – the less air that leaks, the less you need to stabilize the temperature with your HVAC system.)	<b>3% or less (Leakage)</b>	20% (Leakage)	
<b>Advanced Framing</b>	2x6 exterior walls allow for almost 50% more insulation in the walls, for a quieter and more energy-efficient home.	<b>YES!</b>	NO	

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