

**Spotlight on Excellence**  
**Phil Pickens Leadership Award 2018 Nominee**



**Contina Smith**  
**Valdosta City**

**Accolades of Leadership**

- President, Prevent Child Abuse Lowndes

**Building Home/School/Community Partnerships**

- Partner with teachers, administrators, social workers and other staff to connect families to resources
- Developing a community resource guide to provide information to families
- Participate in ASPIRE, Dropout Prevention, PBIS training

**Modeling Collaboration and Partnership**

- Works directly with families to help them to be comfortable and knowledgeable about the special education process
- Advocates for students in juvenile justice system
- Assist families with Special Olympics information packets

**Leadership and Involvement with GaPMP**

- Attend region meetings & annual statewide conference
- Support GaPMP initiatives