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Gas leak occurred at post Child Development Center; all children and personnel evacuated and are safe

FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo. – A gas leak occurred here today at about 1 p.m. in the post Child Development Center located on Replacement Avenue.

The CDC director smelled gas in the facility, pulled the fire alarm and followed standard evacuation procedures.

All CDC personnel and children were evacuated to the School Age Services building, and all parents were notified, said Emily Nunn, Program Operations specialist for Fort Leonard Wood Child, Youth & School Services.

The Fort Leonard Wood Fire Department arrived to the CDC at about 1:05 p.m. and found a gas leak in the furnace. The Fire Department notified LB&B of the gas leak. LB&B responded and repaired the gas leak. Both the Fire Department and LB&B cleared the facility for re-entry, Nunn said.

At the initial notification of the gas leak, the CDC had more than 175 staff and children in the facility. All personnel are safe and secure, Nunn said.