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Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri



## Message from the MSCoE Command Team: Grateful for community's kindness

In the face of a tragedy, our local and regional neighbors stepped up to help one of our own military families. We couldn't be more grateful for everything the surrounding communities continue to do for our service members and their loved ones.



## CAC commanding general visits Fort Leonard Wood, receives overview of MSCoE training

Lt. Gen. James P. Eisenhower III, U.S. Army Combined Arms Command commanding general, visits Fort Leonard Wood Jan. 21.



## Soldier receives Purple Heart, credits training in reaction to 2012 Afghanistan IED attack

Staff Sgt. Paul Schmich received a Purple Heart Jan. 15, 2026, nearly 14 years after being wounded in an improvised explosive device attack in Afghanistan — a battlefield experience he is adamant about passing on to Soldiers currently training to be motor transport operators at Fort Leonard Wood.



## RSO to host national prayer event Feb. 6; USAES commandant to be guest speaker

Fort Leonard Wood's Religious Support Office has scheduled a luncheon for 11:30 a.m., Feb. 6 at the Pershing Community Center to observe the 2026 National Prayer Breakfast and to hear from guest speaker, Col. Timothy Hudson, U.S. Army Engineer School commandant.

Read these stories and more at <https://www.army.mil/paowood>.

### Stay weather aware

Fort Leonard Wood's Destructive Weather Mitigation Operations program, commonly called [DWMO](#), is designed to keep the community informed during hazardous weather. Common Access Card holders, their family members, long-term contractors, private organizations and Fort Leonard Wood tenants can receive notifications on their phones via the ALERT! Mass Warning Notification System — instructions for setting up ALERT! notifications are on the [Weather and Hazardous Conditions](#) page.

### Exchange closures for inventory

Four of Fort Leonard Wood's Army and Air Force Exchange Service locations are scheduled to have delayed openings to take inventory. According to a Fort Leonard Wood AAFES official, as soon as the counts are complete, the stores will open. The North Express in Bldg. 150 is set to have a delayed opening Jan. 24, and is expected to be open by 11 a.m. The South Express,

Bldg. 1605, and Class Six in Bldg. 490 are scheduled for inventory Jan. 25 and are expected to be open by 11 a.m. The Main Exchange in Bldg. 487 is scheduled for inventory Jan. 27 and is expected to be open by 2 p.m.

### ASBP winter blood drive

The Fort Leonard Wood Blood Donor Center is hosting the [Armed Services Blood Program winter blood drive](#) from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., Jan. 25 through 28 at the Blood Donor Center, located at 6261 Buckeye Avenue in Bldg. 759A. For more information or to schedule a unit donation, call 573.596.6150.

### CYS Hiring Fair

Fort Leonard Wood Child and Youth Services is hosting a hiring fair from 9 a.m. to noon Jan. 28 at the School Age Center in Bldg. 616. Required documents to bring are a resume, proof of education, social security card and three professional references. The job listing can be viewed and applied for at [usajobs.gov](#). Interviews will be

conducted during the hiring fair. For more information, call 573.596.0239.

### Community Information Forum

Fort Leonard Wood community members are invited to join garrison leaders at 10:30 a.m., Feb. 4 in Lincoln Hall Auditorium for the [Community Information Forum](#). The CIF will address current and future events on and around Fort Leonard Wood.

### BOSS meeting

The Better Opportunities for Single Service Members program has a [meeting](#) scheduled for 4 p.m., Feb. 19 at the BOSS Corner, Bldg. 496. For more information, call 573.596.6913.

### Suicide prevention helpline

The national suicide prevention and mental health helpline is available by calling 9-8-8. Veterans may press "1" to be connected with a responder trained to assist military and veteran populations. For help from the Veterans Crisis Line via text messaging, text 838255.

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**SWIM NIGHT**  
DAVIDSON FITNESS CENTER POOL  
JAN 31, FEB 21, MAR 28  
5 - 7 PM

Bring your family & friends out for a fun night of swimming!  
\$3 per person, age 3 & under free.

**RUN, YETI, RUN!**  
FEBRUARY AT DAVIDSON FITNESS CENTER

Join the wildest winter dash of the year and out-run (or walk) the yeti!  
\$10 per person—register at Davidson Fitness Center and track your miles for the month with the staff!

DAUGHERTY BOWLING CENTER  
**MARDI GRAS** Celebration

During the month of February, bowl a strike on a color head pin and enter for a chance to win a pizza, pin, and pop prize package! Drawing will be held February 28.

