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# Chemical School commandant selected for new assignment

**FORT LEONARD WOOD, Mo.** – The Army Chief of Staff announced a transition of general officers between Fort Leonard Wood and Fort Knox, Ky.

Brig. Gen. Peggy Combs, U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear School commandant, has been selected as the next U.S. Army Cadet Command and Fort Knox commanding general, Fort Knox, Ky.

Brig. Gen. Maria Gervais, currently the Army Cadet Command's deputy commanding general, will replace Combs as the CBRN School commandant.

Gervais is no stranger to Fort Leonard Wood. She was the first female to lead the 82nd Chemical Battalion and is a former chief of staff for the Army Chemical School and Maneuver Support Center of Excellence.

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### *About Fort Leonard Wood*

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*Fort Leonard Wood is a thriving and prosperous installation that has evolved from a small basic training post 70 years ago to a premier Army Center of Excellence that trains 80-90,000 military and civilians each year.*

*Home to the Maneuver Support Center of Excellence, Fort Leonard Wood now trains and educates service members and develops doctrine and capabilities for the Training and Doctrine Command's U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear School, U.S. Army Engineer School, and U.S. Army Military Police School, three gender integrated Initial*

*Military Training brigades, one of only five reception stations in the Army, and the Army's largest Non Commissioned Officers Academy.*

*Over the past several years, Fort Leonard Wood has received numerous additional responsibilities to include supporting the 4th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, a large Forces Command unit that is responsible for all deployable capabilities at Fort Leonard Wood. A colonel-commanded Marine Corps Detachment and an Air Force Detachment, which are both the largest on any Army installation, are located on Fort Leonard Wood; a large Navy Seabee Detachment and elements of the Coast Guard train here as well.*

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