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**Fort Polk Celebrates the Month of the Military Child**

**FORT POLK, LA. — April is celebrated nationally as the Month of the Military Child. As part of Fort Polk's public awareness campaign to prevent child abuse, the Child Development Services and organizations on and off post will participate in Big Wheels Day April 17th from 9 to 11 am.**

**Big Wheels Day gives children the opportunity to view different types of vehicles such as a fire truck, HMMWV (HUMVEE), and the DARE military police vehicle.**

**The days' events will begin with a children's walking parade on Utah Avenue. The parade begins at the Utah Avenue Chapel and ends in the Child Development Centers' parking lot where a variety of military and civilian vehicles will be on display for the children.**

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**Media representatives are welcomed to attend and cover the event. Please call Maj. Ron Elliot at 531-1418 or Samantha Bingham at 531-4630 to coordinate access onto Fort Polk.**