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STUDENTS AND FACULTY EVACUATED FROM ORO VALLEY SCHOOL FOLLOWING GAS LINE BREAK

At approximately 8:50 this morning, Golder Ranch Fire District emergency personnel responded to the area of 11000 North Oracle for a gas line break. The 2" gas line was struck and broken by construction crews working in a lot north of the BASIS School. As a precautionary measure, over 670 students and faculty were evacuated to a nearby park.

Southwest Gas has representatives on the scene. The gas line is now secure and no longer leaking.

Golder Ranch Fire Hazardous Materials personnel are currently checking the school to ensure it is safe for students and faculty to return. There were no injuries associated with this incident.

It is not known if the area where the construction crew was working had been blue staked.

Golder Ranch Fire would like to remind everyone that before you dig, make sure utility lines have been located and marked. For more information, please visit our website at www.grfdaz.gov.

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