Natural Gas Safety









Natural Gas is a clean, safe and reliable source of energy. It can be used for many things like heating buildings, cooking on the stove/oven, driving cars and drying clothes.

Use all your senses to detect a gas leak:

- Smell: for rotten eggs
- Listen: for a hissing sound
- See: plants that have died for no reason, continuous bubbling in water or dust blowing off of a pipe

What to do if you smell gas:

- Leave immediately
- Do <u>not</u> use or turn on any electrical devices or appliances (i.e. cell phones, light switches etc.)
- Open doors and windows
- Once you are outside, **DO** <u>NOT</u> go back in until the area has been cleared by the local gas company or 911 first responders.

Grades (4-6) Carbon Monoxide:

- Carbon monoxide is a dangerous gas that is colorless, odorless, tasteless and virtually impossible to detect without proper detectors.
- Carbon Monoxide causes flu like symptoms including:
 - Headaches
 - Dizziness
 - Nausea

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- Sleepiness
- Confusion

- Tightness of the chest
- Weakness
- Fluttering of the heart
- Redness of the skin
- Loss of muscle control
- If you suspect carbon monoxide poisoning, immediately go outside, breathe deeply and call for help.
- Make sure your family has a carbon monoxide detector!

Call 811 Before You Dig: Make sure before you dig into the ground, someone makes sure that there are no pipes or wires under the ground that you don't know about.

Smell gas. Act fast.

