

## **News Release**

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## Media Release Fort Carson fire 30% contained

**FORT CARSON**, Colo. – Fire fighters with the Fort Carson Directorate of Emergency Services Fire Department responded to a fire at around 1 p.m. today behind Patriot Elementary School.

As of 4:30 p.m. the fire is 30% contained and burned approximately 106 acres. Patriot Elementary School was evacuated, but there were no students in session due to spring break.

Patriot School Age Services and Cheyenne Child Development Center were evacuated to the youth center on post. Sam Houston Loop within Dakota Ridge housing area was under pre-evacuation procedures as a precaution but was not evacuated.

All pre-evacuation and evacuation orders have been cancelled. More information will be released as it becomes available.

There is no longer any threat to any structures on the installation. The majority of children have been reunited with their parents at the youth center.

This will be the last update of the evening. We'll provide an update by 10 a.m. Friday.

For more information contact the Fort Carson Public Affairs Office at (719) 526-7525. After hours, please contact the 24-hour Fort Carson Operations Center at 526-5500 and ask for the On-Call Public Affairs Officer.