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Six Students Struck by Pickup Truck

On behalf of the Maple Valley FD

Maple Valley, Wash. - April 14, 2016- Six students from Cedar River Middle School were struck by a pickup truck or the crash debris at approximately 8:00 am today, while waiting for their school bus in the 27000 block of 216 Ave. SE.

Two of the students suffered potentially life-threatening injuries, one had non-life threatening injuries, and three were evaluated and treated on scene by firefighters from the Maple Valley FD, Kent RFA, and King County Medic One. Initially Airlift Northwest was requested to help transport the injured, but was not used. All the injured were transported by King County Medics or by private ambulance.

The driver was evaluated, but not transported. He apparently suffered a medical issue which caused him to lose control of his vehicle and strike the 11 and 12 year olds. There were approximately 20 children waiting at the bus stop at the time of the crash. The driver is in the custody of deputies.

For more information from the school District, please contact Kevin Patterson. For further information on the crash investigation, please contact Cindi West with the King County Sheriff's Office.

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