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UPDATE

SUFFOLK, Virginia (November 13, 2014) Following this morning's accident, 9 students were ground transported to Sentara Obici Hospital by Suffolk Fire & Rescue personnel, and an additional 7 students were transported to the hospital by private vehicles. No students were admitted and all students were treated and released by approximately noon according to Sentara officials.

The accident occurred in the northbound lane of Godwin Boulevard/Route 10 at Pembroke Lane when the driver of the bus stopped to make a right turn and the driver of the 1995 Ford Mustang, Avidd Owens, of Suffolk, struck the bus from the rear. She was issued a summons for following too closely.

The roadway was closed for approximately 30 minutes immediately following the accident while students were transported and the vehicles were removed from the roadway.

EARLY MORNING SCHOOL BUS ACCIDENT

SUFFOLK, Virginia (November 13, 2014) The Suffolk Police Department and Suffolk Fire & Rescue responded to an accident involving a Suffolk Public School Bus and a passenger vehicle which occurred this morning at 8:55 a.m.

The minor accident occurred in the 100 block of Pembroke Lane and the intersection of Godwin Boulevard near Oakland Elementary School when a passenger vehicle traveling at a low rate of speed rear-ended the bus that was transporting 30 students.

The students and drivers received emergency medical assessment by Suffolk Fire & Rescue personnel and none had visible injuries, however, a total of 9 students were ground transported to Sentara Obici Hospital for medical attention. Neither the driver of the bus nor the driver of the involved vehicle were injured. The principal escorted the remaining students into the school.

Engine 29 from the Chuckatuck Volunteer Fire Department, 3 Medics and EMS-1 responded to the scene.

The 5400 block of Godwin Boulevard/Route 10 is currently closed in both directions. The investigation is ongoing.

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