



Roswell Independent School District

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RISD Statement Regarding Bus Accident

This morning, the Office of the Superintendent was made aware of a traffic accident involving Bus #78 at the intersection of Summit and Main Street. Bus #78 was on route with students to Mesa Middle School. Thanks to the collaborative efforts of the Roswell Police Department, the Roswell Fire Department, Emergency Medical Services, and Pollard Bus Company the incident was handled calmly and efficiently. Five students were transported to Eastern New Mexico Medical Center for precautionary measures.

Interim Superintendent, Susan Sanchez and Chris Thweatt, Director of Transportation and Safety were on hand to ensure that the proper protocols were followed to ensure the safety of the students and bus driver. Interim Superintendent Sanchez followed the emergency medical services to Eastern New Mexico Medical Center to assist with the arrival of the five students and to ensure that each of the five students was reunited with his/her parent(s). This morning, calls were made to the parents of all students riding on Bus #78 and the Mesa Middle School nurse provided an additional check-up on the students after their arrival at school.

“I would like to thank the Roswell Police Department, the Roswell Fire Department, Emergency Medical Services, Eastern New Mexico Medical Center and Pollard Bus Company for their collaborative efforts to assist our students and bus driver,” said Interim Superintendent Sanchez. “I will keep in touch with the parents of the students that were transported to Eastern New Mexico Medical Center to monitor the students’ health. Thankfully, no serious injuries have been reported.”