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SUV Collides With School Bus

Date/Time: *January 16, 2014 at 7:52am*
Location: *Amethyst Road and Seneca Road in the City of Victorville*
Incident: *SUV Collides With School Bus*

This morning at 7:52am reports of a traffic accident involving a SUV and a full school bus came into the San Bernardino County Communications Center. The first on scene engine reported that there was major damage and a Multi Casualty Incident was declared. The priority was to mitigate any hazards and to triage the parties involved. The triaging of patients is a system used to sort patients in order of severity of injuries and to transport the most severely injured first. In all approximately a dozen injuries were reported. They ranged from minor to moderate in nature. A total of five patients were transported to area hospitals. All non-injured students were transferred to another bus and taken to West Creek Elementary School in the City of Victorville.

The cause of the accident is under investigation by the California Highway Patrol. There was a temporary road closure on Amethyst Road between Hook Blvd. and Camelia Road. And a closure of Seneca Road between Trader Lee Lane and Brucite Road. The emergency response included three medic engines, one medic truck, one battalion chief, three ambulances and an ambulance supervisor.

The San Bernardino County Fire Department would like to remind parents to make sure that the emergency contact information on file for their children is up to date and accurate. This allows for quick notification to the responsible parties of any children involved in any type of emergency situation.