

NEWS RELEASE



City of Chino Hills Police Department



DATE/TIME: October 20, 2016, at approximately 1422 hours

INCIDENT: Major Injury Traffic Collision

LOCATION: Peyton Drive south of Boys Republic Drive in front of Ruben S. Ayala High School in Chino Hills

DRIVER: Travis James Weible a 32-year-old male from Riverside

VICTIM #1: A 17-year-old male student from Ruben S. Ayala High School in Chino Hills

VICTIM #2: A 15-year-old female student from Ruben S. Ayala High School in Chino Hills

VICTIM #3: A 15-year-old male student from Ruben S. Ayala High School in Chino Hills

VICTIM #4: A 14-year-old female student from Ruben S. Ayala High School in Chino Hills

On Thursday, October 20, 2016, at about 1422 hours, a major injury collision occurred on Peyton Drive south of Boys Republic Drive next to Ruben S. Ayala High School in Chino Hills.

A silver 2012 Honda Civic driven by Travis James Weible of Riverside, was northbound Peyton Dr. when it left the roadway and collided with a cement street light on the east sidewalk just north of the school. The force of the impact caused the street light to shatter and collapse. At the same time, four high school students were walking north on the sidewalk directly in the path of the vehicle. Although the street light stopped and deflected the vehicle, debris from the shattered light struck the three youngest students while debris and the vehicle itself appears to have struck the 17-year-old student. The vehicle sustained major damage from the collision and came to rest in the street.

Weible was helped out the vehicle before it caught fire and burned to the ground. The three students hit by debris were examined and treated at the scene by Chino Valley Fire personnel. The 17-year-old who suffered major injuries was flown via helicopter to the Arrowhead Regional Medical Center in Colton where he is currently in critical condition. Weible was also transported to a local hospital for moderate injuries.

Prior to the collision with the street light, Weible was reportedly driving erratically and was involved in two separate non-injury collisions down the road. Investigators do not believe Weible intentionally tried to hit the students and has no known ties to them or the school. No other vehicles are believed to have been involved.

Members of the Sheriff's Major Accident Investigation Team were requested to assist Chino Hills Deputies with the investigation. At this time, investigators are not ruling out DUI, inattention and/or speed as contributing factors to the collision. Anyone who may have witnessed the collision or who might have additional information pertinent to the case is encouraged to contact investigators at the phone number listed below.

REFER TO: Deputies Ralph Naso or Anthony Ortega
Chino Hills Sheriff's Station Traffic Division
(909) 364-2000
REPORT #: 221603541

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