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## **If You Were the Driver, or If You Have Information About This Accident, Darien Police Want to Talk to You**

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Darien police are asking that anyone with information about an accident on High School Lane at about 2:25 p.m. last Friday, May 5, contact them to help with their investigation.

The after-school accident involved a 17-year-old Darien High School girl who "suffered injuries, including scrapes and bruises" as she was crossing the street while westbound traffic was stopped or moving very slowly. "[T]he injuries to the pedestrian were not severe," a police announcement said.

As the girl walked toward the south, a vehicle believed to be a brown minivan drove west in the eastbound lane. The vehicle struck the teenager, knocking her to the ground. The driver, believed to be a white woman with blonde hair stopped and asked the girl if she was all right. The pedestrian said she thought she was, and

the woman then drove away.

Police want to talk to the driver.

*Here's the full text of the police request to the public, with a few additional details:*

On May 5, 2017, at approximately 2:25 p.m., a motor vehicle collision between a pedestrian and a vehicle occurred on High School Lane, approximately 200 feet in from Middlesex Road.

The pedestrian, a 17 year old female Darien High School student, suffered injuries including scrapes and bruises. The pedestrian was crossing High School Lane in a southerly direction. A line of traffic was either stopped or moving very slowly in the westbound lane of High School Lane as is often the case at school dismissal time.

As the pedestrian was crossing in between stopped or slow moving vehicles, a vehicle, while passing the line of stopped traffic and operating westbound in the eastbound lane, struck the pedestrian and knocked her to the ground.

The vehicle involved was reported to be a brown minivan, possibly a Honda, which was operated by a white female with blond hair, believed to be in her forties. Also observed in the vehicle was a younger female, possibly of middle school age, seated in the front passenger seat.

The minivan did stop and the operator asked the pedestrian if she was okay. The pedestrian replied that she thought she was okay and the minivan then continued on towards the High School.

The Police Department was notified of this collision once the pedestrian arrived home and an investigation then commenced. Thankfully, the injuries to the pedestrian were not severe.

The Darien Police Department has been actively investigating this collision since the time of the report but have thus far been unable to identify the vehicle or operator involved. Anyone who may have witnessed this collision or has any pertinent information is requested to contact the Darien Police Department at (203) 662-5300.