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Dear Ypsilanti Community Schools Families,

I am writing to inform you of two separate bus accidents that occurred this afternoon involving our school district's transportation.

First, bus 118, which was carrying children from Ford Early Learning Center, was involved in an accident when it was hit from the back by another vehicle. First responders arrived promptly at the scene to provide medical support and ensure the safety of everyone involved. I am relieved to report the children who were seen by emergency personnel on site were safely transported home by their parents following the incident.

Second, bus 115, which was carrying a high school student along with the bus driver and monitor, was involved in a more serious collision. As a result of this accident, the three individuals were taken to the hospital for medical attention.

The safety and well-being of our students and staff are our top priorities. We are working closely with local authorities to investigate the causes of these accidents and to ensure that all necessary measures are taken to prevent future incidents.

We understand that such news can be distressing, and we want to assure you that we are committed to maintaining the highest safety standards for our transportation services. Counseling services will be available for any students who may need support following these events.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact my office or the transportation department.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Marchandent Dr. Alena Zachery-Ross Superintendent