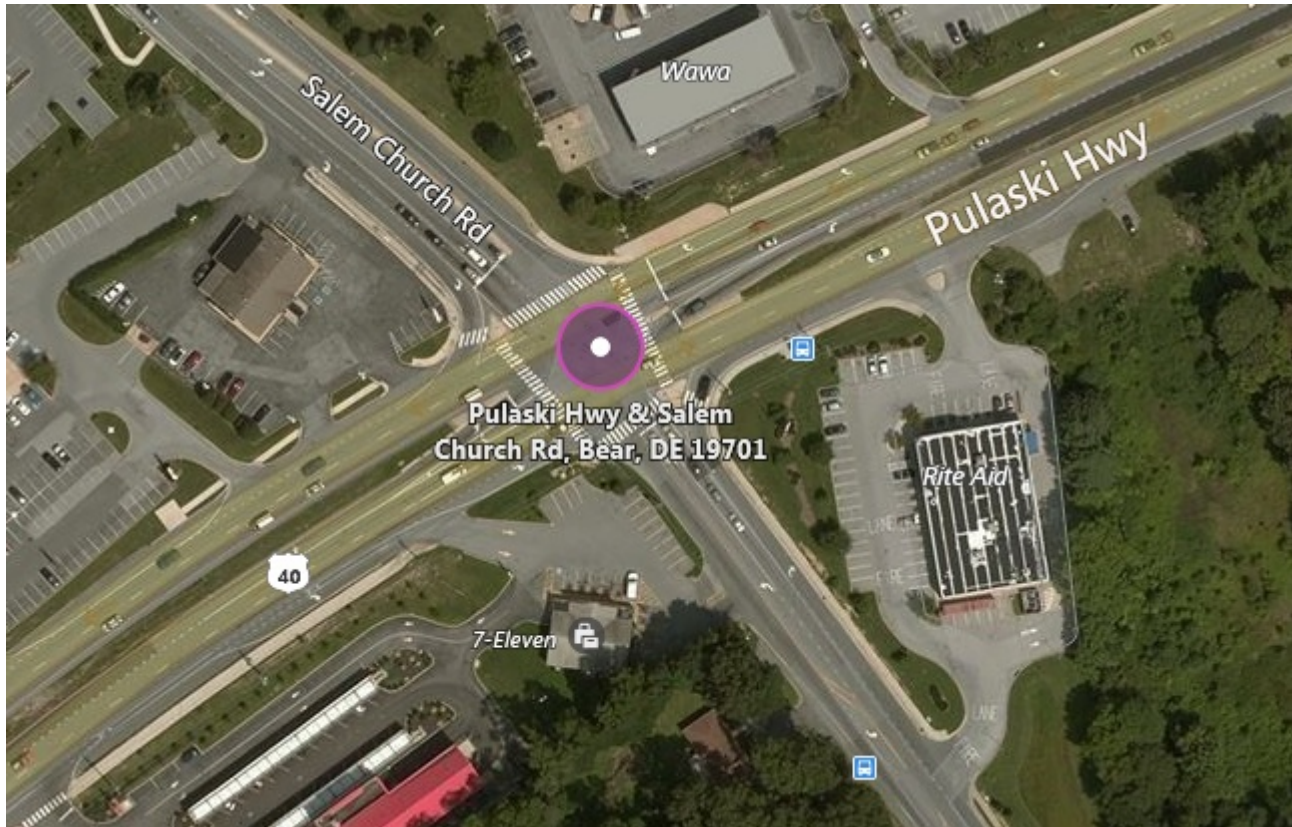


UPDATE Troopers Investigating Serious Crash – Route 40 at Porter Road



Bear – The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is continuing its investigation into a serious motor vehicle crash in which three pedestrians were struck by a school bus.

The incident occurred at approximately 8:22 a.m., Thursday, March 15, 2018, at the intersection of U.S. 40 (Pulaski Hwy.) and Porter Road. A 2016 Freightliner school bus, from the Christina School District, operated by a 55 year Newark man, was traveling southbound from Salem Church Road, and crossed all lanes of U.S. 40, in order to continue Porter Road southbound. The bus was proceeding with a green light and had the right of way.

A 36 year old Newark woman, along with a 9 year old female and

6 year old male, were attempting to cross Porter Road without the right of way, and walked directly into the path of the school bus. Despite braking, the bus driver could not avoid striking the three pedestrians, knocking them all to the pavement.

The adult female pedestrian was transported by Delaware State Police helicopter Trooper 4 to the Christiana Hospital with serious injuries. The two juvenile pedestrians were transported by EMS to A.I. DuPont Hospital for Children with non-life threatening injuries.

The driver of the school bus, along with a bus aide, who was a passenger, were not injured. There were no students on the bus at the time of the collision.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding the incident is asked to contact Cpl. J. Aube at 302-365-8483.

Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov.

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