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Fremont County School District #1

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Truck hits school bus in LVHS parking lot, minor damage, no injuries.

(Lander) – A pickup truck slid into a school bus on Tiger Drive on the South side of Lander Valley High School Thursday morning. The crash resulted in minor damages to the vehicles involved, but there were no reported injuries.

As a precaution the three occupants in the truck, an adult female driver and two high school students, were transported to Lander Regional Hospital for examination, according to Assistant Superintendent Kirk Schmidt. Schmidt said the students in the school bus were all secured by seat belts and no injuries were reported. The bus driver, Sondra Watkins, was also transported to the hospital for an exam after she assisted moving the students in her bus to another bus.

Schmidt said the school bus was heading east on Tiger drive just past the Tiger sculpture when Watkins said she noticed a west-bound pickup truck was sliding on the slick street into the path of her bus. Schmidt said Watkins alertly maneuvered the bus to the right, avoiding a "t-bone" crash with the truck. The front left fender of the bus did impact the pickup.

The Lander Police Department is investigating the crash.

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