

October 2, 2009

Dear Parents:

I am writing to inform you of an incident that occurred this morning. One of our 7th grade students was struck by a car on his way to the bus stop located at Cinnamon and Mateney Drives. He has been taken to Children's Hospital for treatment of his injuries. One of our staff members is at the hospital to support the family and all of us in the Clemente family are with them in spirit during this traumatic time. The Montgomery County Police Department is continuing to investigate the incident to determine exactly what happened.

Some of our students witnessed this accident which is naturally upsetting. Administrators and counselors are meeting with these students to support them and talk with them about the incident. Crisis counselors, as well as school staff, will continue to be available to see any students who need assistance.

As we work to support all of our students at Clemente, please take a moment to remind your children to be careful when walking to and from school and the bus stop. Please remind them to use crosswalks and look both ways when crossing the street.

The Clemente school community stands together during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Khadija Barkley
Acting Principal

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Cc: Dr. Kimball
Mr. Bulson