# Young Drivers and Motor Vehicle Accidents Fatality Report



## Teen driver hit and killed in crash on Little Blue Parkway in Independence, alcohol suspected

INDEPENDENCE, Mo. – A young driver was killed and four others were injured in a two-vehicle crash on Little Blue Parkway yesterday, according to a statement from police.

Officers responded to the crash just south of Truman Road at 8:22 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 10. When they arrived, Independence police stated they found five people involved with injuries.

Investigators discovered that a Chevrolet Tahoe was heading south and crossed into the other lane. The SUV then hit a northbound Nissan Sentra, a compact car.

The driver and three other passengers in the Sentra were transported to the hospital. The driver died soon after.

She was identified as a 17-year-old juvenile from Oak Grove, Missouri. Her name will not be released by police.

One of the passengers of the Sentra remains in critical condition, according to the police statement. Two other passengers had “significant injuries,” but they are in stable condition. None of them were wearing seatbelts.

The driver of the Tahoe was also treated for significant injuries. He is also in stable condition, police stated.

Police said alcohol appears to be a contributing factor, but blood tests can take weeks to process.

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