

CRASH SUMMARY

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About 3:20 p.m., on Monday, November 21, 2016, a 2008 Thomas Built Buses Inc. 84 passenger school bus, operated by Durham School Services LP, under contract with the Hamilton County School District, was traveling southbound on the 300 block of Talley Road, in Chattanooga, Hamilton County, Tennessee. The school bus driver was transporting 37-students from Woodmore Elementary School to their drop off locations. As the driver traversed a downhill grade with a curve to the right, the driver lost control, oversteered toward the right, departed the west side of the roadway, struck a mailbox, and then overcorrected to the left. As the school bus began to overturn toward the passenger side it crossed the northbound lane, departed the east side of the roadway and collided with a telephone pole, continued to slide on its passenger side, and collided with a tree. As a result of this crash, 6 students were killed, 26 students were injured, five students and the bus driver were not injured.