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Subject:	Fatality Accident	
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Celina, TX – On Sunday morning, February 7th 2016 at 2:29 AM, Celina Police Officers observed a blue sports car traveling at 144 MPH and evaded officer's attempt to stop, and eventually become involved in an accident which resulted in the death of 1 of the 3 occupants.

Celina police officers observed a blue 2015 Subaru Impreza WRX traveling northbound on S. Preston Rd from Frontier Pkwy at 144 MPH. The driver, in an attempt to evade the officer, turned west on to County Rd. 53. A second officer, positioned north of County Rd. 53, saw the vehicle turn and accelerate to a very high rate of speed. The suspect vehicle intersected the raised railroad crossing on County Rd 53 at approximately 135 MPH. The vehicle went airborne, flipped and eventually landed on its side in a deep drainage ditch with standing water, just west of County Rd. 1117.

Officers quickly converged on the accident scene and assisted the driver, 18-year-old Derek Christman of Little Elm, from the vehicle. The front female passenger, 19-year-old Samantha Bradford of Ft. Worth, was trapped and eventually freed from the vehicle by Celina Police and Fire personnel. Both Christman and Bradford sustained non-life-threatening injuries and were transported to a local hospital for treatment.

Officers also located the backseat passenger, later identified as 41-year-old Eric Albright of McKinney who was pronounced deceased on scene by Celina Fire Personnel.

Christman was arrested and charged with Evading Arrest with Vehicle - Causing the Death of Another.

Alcohol is not suspected as a factor in the accident, however, a voluntary blood sample was provided by Christman.

Any information on criminal investigation should be directed to Corporal Mike Proffer at the Celina Police Department or via email at mproffer@celina-tx.gov

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