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**PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
October 3, 2017**

<u>Nature of Release:</u> Motor Vehicle Fatality	<u>Date and Time of Incident:</u> October 3, 2017 6:46 AM
<u>Incident Location:</u>	State Route 711 near Barron Road Ligonier Township
<u>Person(s) Involved:</u> Decedent: Nicholas R. Neiderhiser, 17 y/o male Address: State Route 711 Ligonier Township	
Date and Time of Death: October 3, 2017 at 7:58 AM	
<u>Incident Details:</u>	Cause of Death: Blunt Force Trauma to the Head, Neck and Chest Due to: Single Vehicle Collision
Manner of Death: Accidental	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Westmoreland County Coroner, Kenneth A. Bacha, has released the following information on a motor vehicle fatality that occurred in Ligonier Township.▪ The decedent, Nicholas R. Neiderhiser, was the operator with one other occupant, of a Chevrolet Nova traveling north on State Route 711.▪ The vehicle traveled off the roadway into a wooded area and struck a tree.▪ Deputy Coroner Timothy P. O'Donnell pronounced the decedent dead at the scene.▪ A seat-belt was not utilized by the decedent.▪ Air bags were not available for deployment in the vehicle.▪ Cell phone use was not a factor in the incident.▪ Cause and manner of death is reflected above.▪ Toxicology results will not be available for several weeks.▪ McCracken Funeral Home of Ligonier will be in charge of arrangements.▪ Ligonier Township Police also investigated the incident.	
<p align="center">***** <u>No further information is available from this office at this time.</u> *****</p>	