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Press Release

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On February 20, 2022, at approximately 9:47 a.m. the Platte County Sheriff's Office was notified of a vehicle crash on 92 Highway near B Highway. The crash occurred as a 2003 Chrysler Town and Country minivan was traveling westbound on 92 Highway when it left the shoulder of the road, overcorrected, crossed into the eastbound lane, and collided with a 2021 Ford Edge. The driver of the Chrysler minivan, a 37-year-old male from Salina, Kansas, died at the scene. A 14-year-old male passenger in the Chrysler minivan, also died at the scene. A 6-year-old male passenger and a 5-year-old female passenger in the Chrysler minivan, were taken to an area hospital with moderate but non-life-threatening injuries. The driver of the Ford, a 67-year-old female from Platte City, Missouri, was also taken to an area hospital with moderate but non-life-threatening injuries. The cause of the crash is currently under investigation.

Preliminary investigation indicates that alcohol may be a factor in the crash. The deceased occupants of the Chrysler minivan were not restrained. Sheriff Mark Owen stated, "Crashes like this one are a tragedy for all involved, their families and their communities. It also highlights the importance of wearing seat belts. I encourage everyone to properly utilize seat belts and child safety seats every time they are in a vehicle." The name of the deceased parties is not being released at this time to allow for familial notifications. The crash is being investigated by the Platte County Sheriff's Office Crash Team.