

*Bucks County teenager whose left leg was amputated after a school bus accident in January is suing over the crash.*

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Ashley Zauflik, of Fairless Hills, has undergone numerous operations since the parked bus lurched forward into a crowd of students outside Pennsbury High School.

The bus then went across the Falls Township campus before driver John McCleary, unable to stop, deliberately crashed it into a wall. Sixteen students in addition to Zauflik, who was 17, were injured.

The lawsuit, in Bucks County Court, names the brake and bus manufacturers, the Pennsbury School District, and McCleary. A police report in March concluded that McCleary had stepped on the accelerator when he thought he was applying the brake. He has disputed this, saying the accelerator stuck and the brakes failed.

The suit seeks damages for pain and suffering and for extensive medical bills, said Zauflik's attorney, [Tom Kline](#).