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Man charged after dog attacks child, 9

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FAYETTEVILLE — A Fayetteville man faces dangerous dog charges after his Akita allegedly attacked his 9-year-old son in the afternoon.

Pennsylvania Dog Law Enforcement Officer Georgia Martin claims Austin Phillips was playing with Paul C. Custer, 72 E. Main St., around 3 p.m. when the dog named Duke attacked him resulting in injuries to his arms and head.



"It definitely wasn't just one bite," said

Nolan said Austin had been helping him in the afternoon and they allowed him to go outside. They later heard the children yelling.

There, they found Duke on top of Austin's

Nolan said three adults pulled Duke from the ambulance to Chambersburg Hospital. He had puncture wounds to his neck and one of his arms was exposed and he suffered

Nolan said her son will need at least \$10,000 in damage as well as one cosmetic surgery. It was worse if he had not been face down on

winter coat.

The dog had torn the coat off of the boy while neighbors rescued him from the dog. Nolan said the children had been given permission to play with the dog by his owners.

Phone calls to the Custer residence were not returned.

The dog is currently in quarantine for 10 days at Custer's home and is not allowed outside without a muzzle, according to State Dog Law. Should the dog be ruled as dangerous, the owner would be required to enclose or properly secure the pet when it is outside.


Martin said people should be careful around strange dogs, even if they appear friendly.

"All dogs will bite for some reason," Martin said.



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