

Boy, 3 attacked; Okeechobee turns to IRCC to help determine whether dogs responsible

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FORT DRUM — Two dogs are in custody following an animal attack on a 3-year-old boy, and the crime lab at Indian River Community College could help determine whether either of the dogs was the culprit in the attack.

The boy was in stable condition at St. Mary's Medical Center in West Palm Beach, Okeechobee Undersheriff Noel Stephen said. The child, who lives in the 33000 block of Northeast 9th Avenue, was attacked while he was left unattended in the yard of his home, authorities said.

The Sheriff's Office had initially picked up one dog Thursday following the attack, Stephen said. The second one, owned by a family who lives in the area, was picked up last weekend. The Sheriff's Office doesn't know who owns the first dog. Both are cur mixed breeds, Stephen said.



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