



Dog Attacks Six-Year-Old Boy, Animal Quarantined

West Columbia (WLTX) - Raulin and Gage Jeffcoat share the kind of closeness that one would expect between brothers.

It's a bond that has grown even stronger after the two came face-to-face with a vicious dog while walking home.

"I was backing up and he was walking towards me and then he just went up and bit me," says Raulin Jeffcoat. He pointed to the places on his body where he says the Chow Chow bit him.

He says after the dog attacked him, it just walked away. The dog left the six-year-old with wounds on his wrist, leg and hand.

If not for the quick thinking of a neighbor, Raulin's injuries could've been worse.

"She helped me get up and she got the dog off of me," says Raulin.

Meanwhile the boys' father says he got word of the attack from his older son. "My son called me immediately, he said Raulin just got attacked by a dog," says Ty Jeffcoat.

He says he's always taught his boys about what to do if confronted by a vicious animal. "He told me that 'don't get near dogs,'" says Raulin.

In the meantime, Lexington County Animal Services captured the Chow Chow. The dog is being quarantined until results of a rabies test are completed.

For now, both boys are expressing their feelings about dogs. "Some dogs are nice and some dogs are mean, that was a mean Chow," says Raulin.

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