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Boy Loses Part Of Nose, Lips In Dog Attack

10-Year-Old Attacked By Mixed-Breed Dog

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BLOOMINGTON, Ind. -- A 10-year-old Bloomington boy is recovering from disfiguring injuries after he was attacked by a dog at a friend's home.

Nicoles Williams was bitten by the mixed-breed dog while playing at the home of Lorraine Miller, the mother of one of the boy's friends, [6News' Ben Morrison](#) reported.

"According to the mother, she had to pry the dog off the boy's face and realized part of his nose and lips had been torn off," said Lt. David Drake with the Bloomington Police Department.

Miller told police that the dog belongs to her ex-husband, but there have been previous reports of the animal biting children at the same residence.

Darreus Rainwater, 13, was attacked by the dog a few months ago.

"I was feeding the dog and didn't know he was like that," Darreus said.

Darreus' mother said the dog also attacked a 13-year-old girl.

"He bit Darreus and another little girl named Carmia here in the apartment complex," said Tanggie Huffer. "They were told the dog wasn't allowed to be on the property no more."

The dog is being held at the Bloomington Animal Shelter as part of a state-required quarantine. The dog's owner could reclaim the pet, but the dog would have to be classified as vicious or potentially dangerous.

"The dog needs to be neutered, she needs to post signs outside and the dog must be on a leash when outside. If declared vicious, it would have to wear a muzzle," said shelter director Laurie Ringquist.

She recommended the dog be euthanized.

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