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The dog, an American bulldog, was impounded.

"Anytime there's a dog bite, we take the animal to the F-M Animal Hospital, which we contract as our pound," said Sgt. Ryan Alderman. "Generally we have a 10-day observation."

Alderman said he believes the dog was vaccinated.

The dog's owner, Henry Herrold, had never had problems with the dog before, Alderman said.

A condition report was not available for the child.

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