

Tips for Parents

- 1 in 5 dog bite victims require medical attention.
- Children, are by far the most common victims of dog bites and are far more likely to be severely injured.
- Most dog bites affecting young children happen during day to day activities while interacting with familiar dogs.
- Never leave a baby alone with the dog even for a second.
- Keep your baby off the floor when the dog is around.



Hey, let's be friends

Stay back, I'm anxious

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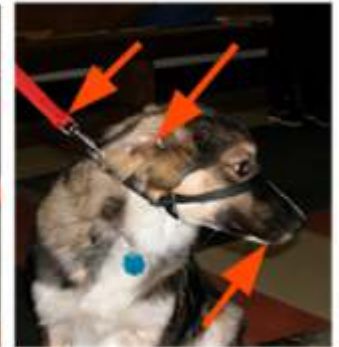
- Avoid face to face contact between dog and baby.
- Keep the dog well exercised. Hire someone to watch the baby or exercise the dog if you can't manage.
- Be sure the dog has at least 10-15 minutes of one-on-one training time with someone each day.
- As children grow up teach them to respect the dog's wishes when it comes to dog/child interactions and to treat the dog with kindness.

Children can learn to read the dog's body language and know when the dog does and does not want to interact.

Training videos for kids can be found at www.doggonesafe.com



Hey, let's be friends



Please go away

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Tips for Kids

- Teach kids never to take food or toys away from a dog.
- If a dog approaches that is growling, seems aggressive or is unknown to the child teach them to "be a tree". This is a safe stance that is not threatening to the dog and will make it less likely for the dog to bite.



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