



Missing Morrow Girl Found Sleeping In Field

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Mariah Dunlap

A nine-year-old girl who had been missing for several hours is once again safe with her family.

It all started around 8 p.m. Thursday when Mariah Dunlap slipped out her bedroom window in Morrow.

Police and search crews spent hours looking for her until a rescue Collie and his handler found Mariah at 3 a.m. in a nearby soybean field.

At the peak of the search, there were roughly 50 police officers

and search and rescue volunteers who were looking for the girl.

She was sleeping on a picnic table about 1,000 yards from her home.

Dunlap is a third grader at Morrow Elementary, who has actually run away in the past, and her father is thinking about other measures to keep his daughter safe in the future, including placing Mariah in a foster home.

According to one of the searchers who found her, Mariah said very little about the ordeal, but did comment that she was very tired and she liked the search dog very much. We're told she's doing just fine.

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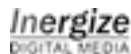
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