



Chicago boy drowns in Iowa river

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CLARINDA, Iowa — Iowa officials say an 11-year-old boy from Chicago has drowned in the Nodaway River in southwest Iowa.

The Department of Natural Resources said in a news release that a 16-year-old girl was hospitalized after she tried to save the boy Tuesday night. She was taken to a hospital in Omaha, Neb.

The department said the incident occurred a little before 9 p.m. while several people were swimming in the river at Clarinda. Witnesses say the boy went under when he was grabbed by the undertow of a low-head dam. The dam is designed for water to run over it rather than hold all the water back.

The boy’s body was recovered.

The names of the boy and girl have not been released, pending notification of relatives.

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