



**2020-2021  
Awana Handbook**

Sterling Wood Church

3yrs.-6th grade  
Wednesday, 6:15-8:00PM

## **Club Information**

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- Cubbies: 3-5 year old by 9/15/2021 (Must be potty trained)
- Sparks: Kindergarten-2<sup>nd</sup> (for the 2021-2022 school year)
- T&T Adventures: 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade (for the 2021-2022 school year)

## **General Information**

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- Every child needs to complete a registration form to be an Awana clubber.
- Each child should fill out an order form for any book or uniform supplies. Although we do keep some items on hand, it could take 7-10 business days for your items to be delivered if we do not have them in stock. Books/uniforms/bag will be given to the clubber's director. After the child has completed their entrance booklets, the director will present the clubber with their items.
- Dues should be paid by each clubber each year. Dues are used to pay for activities, events, and the end of year celebration. Dues are \$16 per year. You can also pay dues at the beginning of each semester (\$8 per semester) or weekly (\$.50 per week). Dues will be prorated after week 8.
- Cubbies and Sparks should wear their uniform each night. 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade clubbers are not required to wear a uniform. Please ensure your child wears proper shoes, suitable for playing games. Clubbers should also bring their books, Bible, and bag to each Awana meeting.
- Communication with parents is done through the REMIND system. To enroll for the remind system, please text @melaniegon to 81010. If you have a smart phone, open your web browser and go to the following link:  
<https://www.remind.com/join/melaniegon>. Emails are not typically used, so please make sure you sign up for REMIND.
- Please be aware that only those listed on the registration form will be allowed to see/pick up your child on Awana night, unless authorized by the legal guardian.
- Please let your child's leaders know of any allergies.

## **Awana Check-In/Check-Out Procedures**

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- Drop off begins at **6:00PM**, and opening ceremony will start at **6:15PM**.
- Children cannot be dropped off in the parking lot. Please walk your clubber into the Family Life Center and wait with them until a leader is present. All clubbers will need to sit in their club area. Please do not allow your clubber to run in the FLC during this time.
- Parents should meet in the Family Life Center at **8:00PM** to hear announcements and pick up their children.
- Children can only be released to parents/guardians. They can be released to siblings in special circumstances *and* if prior arrangements are made.
- *Please be on time to pick up your children as doors are locked at 8:30PM.*

## **Handbook Sections**

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It is our goal that all clubbers complete their Awana handbooks by the end of the year and feel great about learning God's word. Our hope is that our children will not only memorize their verses, but be able to "hide them in their heart" and apply them to their lives.

- When reciting verses, clubbers are allowed to ask for 2 "helps." A help consists of 2-3 words that a leader can tell the child if he/she is having difficulty remembering a verse. If the child is still unable to recite the verse after 2 helps, they will be asked to practice more and try again later.
- T&T Leaders will be given a Truth Tracker Chart to help the clubbers keep track of the verses that need to be said each week. T&T clubbers who say 1 section per week will complete their book by the end of the year. For T&T, certain verses, if memorized completely, will earn the clubber a special prize. These verses are not eligible for "helps."
- Cubbies and Sparks learn their verses at a different pace. Leaders will give parents their verse goals during the first week.
- Only Awana leaders may sign off on sections said by clubbers.
- Leaders are responsible for giving out jewels and patches to the clubbers.
- When entering Sparks and Cubbies, each clubber is required to complete an entrance booklet before beginning his/her club level book.
- In Sparks, if your child doesn't finish his/her book by the end of the Awana year, he/she will start the next year in the same book until it is completed. The only exceptions are Sparkies moving up to the next club. In these cases, these

clubbers will start the new year with the new club's book, even though they did not finish their previous books.

- Cubbies and all T&T clubbers will begin a new book each year, even if they didn't finish their books the previous year.
- Clubbers are welcome to finish any incomplete books on their own time in order to earn the Timothy Award.
- Clubbers will receive awards at the end of the year for completed books. They will need to complete all 4 T&T books by the **end of their 6<sup>th</sup> grade year** to receive the Timothy Award. All awards are provided at no charge.

#### **Awards given:**

**Cubbies Ribbon-** Completion of Honeycomb Handbook

**Sparks 1st book award-** Completion of Hanglider handbook

**Sparks 2nd book award-** Completion of Wingrunner handbook

**Sparky Award Plaque-** Completion of Hanglider, Wing Runner, and Skystormer handbooks

**Alpha Award-** Completion of 1 T&T handbook

**Excellence Award-** Completion of 2 T&T handbooks

**Challenge Award-** Completion of 3 T&T handbooks

**Timothy Award-** Completion of 4 T&T handbooks

**Clubber of the Year-** Award given to one clubber from each club

#### **Incentives**

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To encourage clubbers to bring their Bibles or participate in theme nights, random prizes will be given out during opening ceremony.

#### **Other Awards:**

- Every month, a clubber from each club will be awarded Clubber of the Month. Awards are given out on the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month.

#### **How Can You Help?**

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- Be an Awana leader or listener
- Donate snacks/supplies for special nights
- Get involved! Help your clubber with their handbook.

#### **Awana Contact Information**

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**Commander/Children's Minister:** Danny Watts, 281-642-8399

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