



## Parent Handbook

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### **A Note from our Pastor:**

*The curiosity to find and ability to absorb truth is highest between the ages of 4 and 14. World-views and religious beliefs are largely set by age 13 and statistically don't change much in adulthood. In our AWANA Clubs we have the opportunity to be involved in the lives of Clubbers within that age range. This is exciting to us and is our passion.*

*It is our desire that while your child is in our clubs they will have the opportunity to discover who Jesus Christ is, to trust Him fully, to love Him deeper, and to serve Him with their whole life. We will help them to meet those goals through the study of God's Word and the memorization of Scripture, while enjoying the experience by fun activities along the way.*

*We are also here to connect with your family. If there are ways we can help or if you have questions or concerns, please seek me out on any Sunday night or give me a call at the church phone number listed above.*

*We look forward to an exciting year!*

*Pastor Harriman*

### **Club Info:**

AWANA at Faith Baptist Church meets on Sundays throughout the school year (please see schedule). We begin at 5:45 pm and end by 7:00 pm. Please have your clubber here on time. A parent or guardian or a previously authorized individual must pick them up. For safety reasons, every week, you will need to sign your child in, and then sign them out before your child may leave.

### **Club Cost:**

**Start Zone** (beginning handbook) and **Awards** – Provided by Faith Baptist Church  
**Handbooks** for all clubs – \$11/ea. (if you have more than two children in AWANA there is no additional cost to you for handbooks after the 2nd child); however, if a book is lost it is your responsibility to replace it

**Uniforms:** Cubbies and Sparks vest – \$11/ea.; T&T jersey - \$16/ea.

Once a clubber passes their Start Zone, they are able to purchase a handbook and uniform. Payment is due when handbook and uniform are received.

## **Bring Each Week:**

Bible

Handbook

Uniform – Uniforms should be kept neat and clean with awards displayed correctly and must be worn in order to receive additional awards.

## **Club Rules:**

Dress modestly and appropriately (sneakers are strongly suggested for game time).

Treat others respectfully and especially show respect for the adults/leaders.

Treat church property respectfully.

## **Club Behavior:**

1-2-3 Rule: The 1-2-3 Rule allows clubbers three opportunities to understand that rules are important and must be followed if they are to be allowed to participate in club activities.

1 – If clubbers violate a club rule or act disruptively they will have a conversation with a club leader to help them understand how their behavior is affecting the group.

2 – Parents will be notified if the behavior continues.

3 – Clubbers may be suspended from club for one week if the offense persists. Following the suspension, clubbers are welcomed back if they agree to abide by club rules in the future.

## **Closings:**

If AWANA is cancelled due to weather or emergencies, you will be contacted by your preferred method (phone and/or text). You may also call Nathaniel Heale, the Club Commander, at (585) 815-3942.

## **Awards:**

The goal of awards is to encourage, motivate and reward the clubbers. Awards are earned throughout the year for attendance and for the completion of sections as clubbers work through their handbooks. Section awards are handed out during handbook time while handbook awards are handed out during the Closing Ceremony at the end of the year

## **Closing Ceremony in May:**

This is a time when we recognize the achievements of our clubbers. You, as parents, play an integral part in their success, and we encourage you to join us for this special time.

## **Points:**

Twice a year, clubbers may turn their points in for prizes at the AWANA store. The store opens during game time on scheduled club nights. The club leaders keep a record of the points and tell the clubbers how many points they have to spend. If they do not want to use their points up at the first store, they may save their points to be used at the second store. All clubbers have the opportunity to earn points. The point system is as follows.

<b>Actions</b>	<b>Value</b>
Attending	100
Wearing your club vest/shirt	50
Bringing your Bible	50
Bringing your handbook	50
Completing a section in your handbook	300
Bringing a friend	500
Participating in theme nights	100
Going Christmas Caroling	1000
Bringing in supplies for Open Door Missions	1000

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## **Cubbies – Preschool – 3 & 4 years old**

Cubbies is designed to be fun with a purpose. Clubbers learn a different Bible lesson each week through stories, games, and crafts. Active parental involvement is crucial to your clubber's success in the program. Each week you need to read the Bear Hug to your clubber and help them memorize their verse. The Handbook provides you with specific instructions on how to help your clubber understand each lesson. ***Please sign the Bear Hug each week so your clubber's leader knows the section has been worked on.*** Parents can also assist their clubbers by helping them remember to come prepared for Theme Nights.

### **Weekly Components:**

***Arrival Time/Opening*** – As the kids come in, they'll have a chance to interact with the Cubbies Bear puppet and his friends followed by a large group time where they will sing the AWANA theme song, and recite the AWANA theme verse.

***Lesson*** – Stories introduce the lesson theme in an interactive and entertaining way. It is a time to let God's Word teach and transform your Cubbie.

***Handbook Time*** – Small group time to review, discuss, and apply the Bible lesson, recite memory work and complete an activity that reinforces their learning.

***Game or Craft Time*** – An energetic motion-filled time of non-competitive games and crafts that reinforce the lesson theme.



## Sparks – Kindergarten – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade

Sparks dig a little deeper into God’s Word. Clubbers learn basic truths about God, Jesus Christ, salvation, and the Bible as they work through their handbook. Parent involvement continues to be a vital part of your clubber’s success. In addition to helping your child complete their handbook work, help them memorize their verses by reviewing them for a few minutes each day. Parents can also assist their clubbers by helping them remember to come prepared for Theme Nights.

### **Weekly Components:**

**Arrival Time/Opening** – As the kids come in, they’ll have a chance to interact with their leaders followed by a large group time where they will sing the AWANA theme song, and recite the AWANA theme verse.

**Lesson Time** – Learn a story from God’s Word. It is a time to let God’s Word teach and transform your Sparky.

**Handbook Time** – Small group time for reciting, reviewing, and discussing sections with their leader or learning new sections as time allows.

**Game or Craft Time** – An energetic motion-filled time of non-competitive games and crafts that reinforce the lesson theme.



### T&T – 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

T&T clubbers learn “The Ultimate Adventure” of life as they work through their handbooks each year. Some of the questions covered in the handbooks include: Why did God give us the Bible? Who is God? Who is the Lord Jesus? How does God want me to live my life? What does God say about my home and family? Why should I go to church? How can I help other people? What do I need to know about Satan, angels and the future? How do we know the Bible is true? What do I need to know about the Holy Spirit? How can I grow spiritually? What is a good friend? Here again, parent involvement is a vital part of your clubber’s success. Parents can assist their clubbers by helping them with their verse memorization, handbook work, and remembering to come prepared for Theme Nights.

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**Lesson Time** – Learn a story from God’s Word. It is a time to let God’s Word teach and transform your clubber.

**Handbook Time** – Small group time for reciting, reviewing, and discussing sections with their leader or learning new sections as time allows.

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