A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDERS

Dear Parents,

It is a pleasure to have your child come to our AWANA Club. We consider it a privilege to provide opportunities for your child’s physical and spiritual growth.

We want our AWANA clubbers to realize that God loves them and that through His Son, Jesus; He provided salvation and the ability to have a relationship with Him. We also want our clubbers to know that learning His Word and obeying Him gives them meaningful and rewarding lives. This is accomplished through Bible memory, games, achievements, and fellowship. AWANA also disciplines clubbers to work, play, and study within their own group.

AWANA encourages clubbers to attend their family’s place of worship. If you do not have a church home, we invite you to attend Field Street Baptist Church. We also encourage you to support your child’s interest in the program by helping with his/her memorization and by encouraging enthusiasm about AWANA.

The purpose of this handbook is to inform you of the various phases of the AWANA program. You always have an open invitation to visit any of our clubs as well as contact your child’s leader if you have any questions.

In Christ,

Doug Giddens Allison Kitchen

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Awana Commander Minister of Children/Preschool

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AWANA:

This is an international, non-denominational, Bible-centered program for 3-year-olds through 6th grade. The acronym AWANA comes from the letters of the phrase, “Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed” based on 2 Timothy 2:15. AWANA exists to reach boys and girls with the gospel of Christ and train them to serve Him.

ATTENDANCE:

AWANA Clubs believe that attendance is what makes your child successful at achieving his/her goals for the year. Your child will be rewarded individually and as a team for attendance.

AWANA Clubs also believe that Bible Fellowship, or Sunday School attendance is a vital part of the spiritual development of your child.

DISCIPLINE:

AWANA Clubbers are called to order by use of the FIVE count. For individual discipline, if a child is overly disruptive, he/she will be sent to the Commander or Children’s Minister. If deemed necessary, parents will be contacted.

UNIFORMS:

Clubbers need to remember to wear their uniforms each week. Uniforms promote pride and uniformity as a group. Clubbers are encouraged to wear tennis shoes each week in order to be safe during game time in the gym.

HANDBOOK:

The handbook is a vital tool for your child’s success in the AWANA program. It helps him/her learn about God as well as reinforce positive moral standards. Clubbers MUST have their handbooks at club and it is extremely helpful that each section is reviewed with a parent prior to club each Wednesday night. If a child habitually forgets his/her handbook, their teacher may request the handbook to remain in the classroom. As a parent, do your best to explain the meaning of each verse. You will find that they memorize more quickly if they understand what they are memorizing. However, sections can ONLY be passed when said to an AWANA Leader or Listener during club time.

AWARDS:

Awards are received several different ways at our AWANA Club. AWANA bucks are rewarded for weekly achievements, game time, appropriate behavior, and for being prepared. Twice a year, clubbers can use these AWANA bucks at the AWANA store. Patches, jewels, and candy are awarded for sections completed. At the end of the year, we will have an awards ceremony where clubbers who have completed one or more handbooks will receive special ribbons and trophies. This is a HUGE accomplishment and we encourage all parents to attend this celebration of your child’s accomplishments and hard work.

THEME NIGHTS:

AWANA theme nights liven up meetings and increase anticipation as the clubbers arrive, ready to participate in special games and activities. Make sure to keep the attached calendar in a visible place to plan for these special nights of FUN! We also have Parent’s Night and it is designed for the purpose of showing parents what AWANA is all about and how fun it really is!

CUBBIES:

This club is for preschoolers ages 3 (as of September 1) – Pre-Kindergarten. The Cubbies program uses fundamental AWANA elements of Bible memorization, handbooks, awards, games and activities. We also use developmentally appropriate lessons and activities combines with basic Bible truths and popular preschool concepts of colors, shapes, numbers, and letters.

SPARKS:

This club is a three-year program for children Kindergarten through 2nd grade. Sparks emphasizes Bible memorization and Bible-centered activities which is accomplished through weekly games, counsel time, and handbook time.

TRUTH & TRAINING (T&T)

T&T is a program designed for children ages 3rd through 6th grade. This club also emphasizes Bible memorization and Bible-centered activities through weekly game time, counsel time, and handbook time.

DROP-OFF/PICK-UP PROCEDURE:

In order to ensure the safety of all our clubbers, parents MUST enter the building to release children to their areas. (This may have already been done if attending Children’s Choirs.) Cubbies and Sparks (K-2) MUST be picked up from the theater or classroom BY AN ADULT. T&T clubbers may be picked up in the first floor lobby of the Children’s Building. CHILDREN WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE BUILDING UNLESS ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN. If there are any concerns. Please let the Children’s Minister or Doug Giddens (AWANA Commander), know as soon as possible.

These rules and guidelines are non-negotiable. It is absolutely imperative for the safety of your children that we strictly follow these guidelines set by the leadership of our club and our church.

**AWANA CLUB COSTS**

These prices apply to all age groups

**HANDBAG**

**$12.00**

**VESTS/JERSEY**

**$12.00**

**HANDBOOK**

**$12.00**

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