



CRBC Awana
Parent Handbook
2019-2020

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Awana program at Canopy Roads Baptist Church! Awana is a global non-profit ministry that was created over 60 years ago. The acronym "Awana" stands for "Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed", derived from 2 Timothy 2:15. The goal of Awana is to teach children to know, love, and serve the Lord Jesus Christ by learning God's Word in a safe and fun environment. It is our privilege to partner with you to achieve this goal.

We hope that the information in this handbook will help you and your child(ren) have a great year at Awana. It is our prayer that you will be blessed and that God will be honored through this ministry. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

In His Service,

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"Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that need not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

2 Timothy 2:15

About the CRBC Awana Program

The CRBC Awana program is for children aged 3 through 5/6th grade. It meets on Sunday evenings from 4:30-6:00pm. Children are divided by age into 3 groups:



Cubbies (3 & 4 year olds)

Director: Tammy Kenyon
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Cubbies celebrates the spiritual potential of preschoolers by helping them develop respect for God, his Son, and his Word.



Sparks (K - 2nd grade)

Director: Lauren Boatright
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Sparks ignites the curiosity of early elementary age children to learn about people and events in the Bible, building a foundation for knowing Christ.



Truth & Training (3rd - 5th/6th grade)

Director: Julie Haltiwanger
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T&T engages kids by answering their questions about God and the Bible, and guiding them in this important stage of their faith journey.

Club Agenda

The agenda for our Awana club includes the following:

Opening Ceremony – Clubbers join together for the opening prayer, flag ceremony, and pledges. Clubbers who bring a friend get to choose an item from the treasure box.

Council Time/Large Group Time – Within each group, clubbers hear a biblical lesson. Individual clubbers may also be recognized for their handbook progress from the previous week.

Handbook Time – Clubbers recite the verses they have learned to their leaders or listeners. Some clubbers may also work on a craft or activity during this time.

Game Time – Clubbers play games outside (weather permitting) while learning about sportsmanship and team spirit. The games are designed so that everyone can participate.

Snack Time – A small snack and drink are provided each night.

Drop off and Pick up Procedures

Clubbers can be dropped off beginning at **4:15pm**.

Bring your child(ren) into the church main entrance. A separate table is set up for each Awana group. Clubbers put on their nametag and receive a wristband.

Parents/guardians will be given the stub from the wristband. **In order to ensure the safety of our clubbers, this stub must be presented at pick up.** Please let a leader know if someone else will be picking up your child.

Pick up is at **6:00pm**.

Cubbies are picked up in the “cubbies room” across from the preschool area in **Building A**.

Sparks are picked up in **Building B**. Once inside, go to the room/area that corresponds to the star sticker on your child’s nametag (e.g., green star = green room).

T&Ters are picked up in **Building C**.

Awana Club Rules

The leaders will repeat the Awana Club Rules many times throughout the year and especially during the first few weeks. There are five basic rules for clubbers:

1. Listen and don't talk when a leader is talking.
2. Raise your hand when you want to answer a question during group time.
3. Use inside voices during handbook time.
4. No running, except during game time.
5. Keep your hands and feet to yourself.

Awana Awards

Each clubber has the opportunity to earn awards. These awards are proudly worn on their Awana vest or jersey. To earn awards, clubbers must memorize sections of verses in their particular handbook. Clubbers will recite the verses they have learned to their leader or listener during handbook time. They are allowed two "helps" per section. Awards are also earned by simply coming to club!

Awana Bucks and Sweets Store

As an additional incentive, clubbers are given the opportunity to earn Awana bucks each week. One Awana buck may be earned for each of the following:

- Coming to club
- Wearing your vest/jersey
- Wearing closed-toed shoes
- Bringing your handbook
- Bringing a Bible.

Clubbers can "spend" these bucks at the sweets store to buy toppings for either ice cream or cookies. There will also be various craft project kits for sale. The sweets store opens twice during the Awana year.

How Parents Can Help

- Invest in your child's growing faith by reading the Bible and handbook sections with them.
- Help your child to memorize 2-3 sections each week.
- Bring your child to club on time each week.
- Make sure your child wears their club vest or jersey and close-toed shoes for game time.
- Pick up your child on time in the designated area. Clubbers are not allowed to leave the building without an authorized parent or guardian.
- **We always need more volunteer listeners!** If interested, please see an Awana leader.