

Parent Guide Book



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Letters to You

From the Commander

Dear Parents,

As a parent myself, I know that raising a child in today's society requires a great commitment on the part of every parent: a commitment to provide the best possible childhood experiences for them in education, in moral and spiritual training, in relationships with their peers, and in relationships with adult role models. I believe that Awana can help you provide your children with these necessities through adult-directed games, Scripture memorization, and Spirit-lead Bible teaching.

Our goal in Awana is

To reach boys and girls with the Gospel of Christ
and train them to serve Him.

This goal reflects the direction of 2 Timothy 2:15

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

With your commitment and support, these goals are achievable. I look forward to serving your family through this ministry in the 2018-19 Awana year, and God bless you and your family.

Your Awana Commander,
Jim Schwab

From the Sparks Directors

Dear parents and guardians,

We are excited to have the privilege of working with your Sparkie this year! We especially love being a part of helping children hide God's word in their hearts and begin to understand and apply what they are learning. We desire to come along side you in teaching these precious souls. Both of us have been through the Sparks program as clubbers and as leaders, and we are thrilled to now be able to serve as directors for the club.

We will be praying throughout the year that God will lead us to a better understanding of Who He is and what He has done for us. May Christ be glorified in this new Awana year!

In Christ,
Caleb and Crystal Vrbas

About Awana

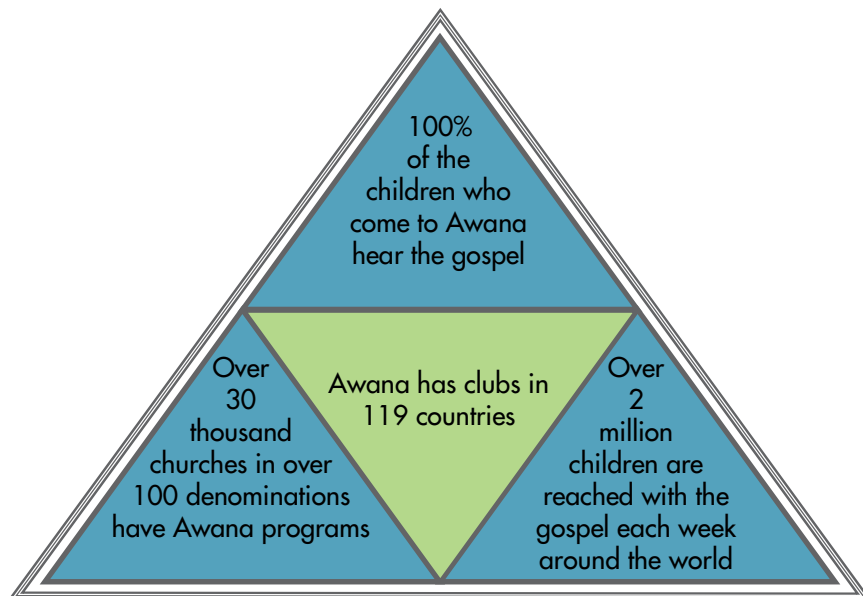
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Ashamed

The word "Awana" is an acrostic that comes from the first letters of a phrase found in 2 Timothy 2:15

Awana is an international, non-denominational, Bible-centered youth organization that provides weekly clubs for children. It operates through thousands of local churches that share the Awana vision for evangelical outreach and effective discipleship of our young people. The goals of Awana may be effectively summarized by these words from our pledge,

[Our] goal is to reach boys and girls with the Gospel of Christ, and train them to serve Him.

Awana provides a structured and disciplined program of activities that includes group games, Bible lessons, scripture memorization, and awards.



Goals and Stats

Awana - Equipping kids with a life-lasting faith in Christ

Goals of Awana at each age:	
Preschool	Learning respect for God and the authority of His Word
K - 2nd	Building a biblical knowledge base
3rd - 5th	Learning how to live in God's grace and how to show grace to others
Middle School	Learning to follow the calling and will of God
High School	Developing perspective to trust in God's sovereignty over all things

By completing all levels of the Awana program, your child will have:

Read all 66 books of the Bible at least once
Memorized over 800 Bible verses



Awana Kids = Christ Centered Adults
Awana Alumni* Vs National Average*

*Information taken from Awana ministry catalog 2014-2015

Sparks Club Schedule

6:15-6:25 Check-In

Outside of the Church Office

Parents will check their children in electronically via the standing kiosks that will be located outside of the Church Office.

6:30-7:00 Large Group Time

Buffet Room

Clubbers will group up to listen to a devotional, as well as spend some time in group prayer.
During this time, they will also recite their club verse, motto, and sing their Sparks song.

7:00-7:30 Handbook Time

East Wing

Clubbers will work on and say their handbook verses.

7:30-8:00 Games

Gym

Clubbers will have the opportunity to play fun and exciting group games!

8:00-8:15 Awards

Buffet Room

During this time, the leaders will hand out the weekly awards to the clubbers.

8:15 Clubber Check-Out

Buffet Room

Parents will need to check-out their children with the receipt they recieved at check-in.

The 6 W's

Who may come:

Any child that is in K, 1st, or 2nd grade
and will be at least 5 years old
by September 1st.

What to bring:

Flight 3:16 booklet or handbook
Bible (any version that you prefer)
Desire to learn and have a good time

What to wear:

Uniform vest
Modest pants, shorts, or skirt
Tennis shoes for game time

When:

Wednesday evenings 6:25-8:15
August 22nd through May 8th
(see calendar)

Where:

Calvary Baptist Church
1636 E Patriot Ave
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Why:

That all children may come to know, love,
and serve the Lord Jesus Christ.

About the Handbook

In each grade, a child may complete any of the following books.

Kindergarten

HangGlider	Complete the Handbook
HangGlider	Review the Handbook
HangGlider	Complete the Frequent Flyer Extra Credit

1st Grade

HangGlider	Complete the Handbook
HangGlider	Review the Handbook
HangGlider	Complete the Frequent Flyer Extra Credit
WingRunner	Complete the Handbook
WingRunner	Review the Handbook
WingRunner	Complete the Frequent Flyer Extra Credit

2nd Grade

HangGlider	Complete the Handbook
HangGlider	Review the Handbook
HangGlider	Complete the Frequent Flyer Extra Credit
WingRunner	Complete the Handbook
WingRunner	Review the Handbook
WingRunner	Complete the Frequent Flyer Extra Credit
SkyStormer	Complete the Handbook
SkyStormer	Review the Handbook
SkyStormer	Complete the Frequent Flyer Extra Credit

*The date a clubber begins, as well as unavoidable or explained absences can be taken into account for awards and parties.

Completing the Sections

Clubbers will go through their handbooks twice.

The 1st time through, clubbers may have 2 helps per section.

The 2nd time through, the sections must be recited work-perfect with no helps.

1. To earn their Rank Patch, Award Emblem, and Jewels
2. To earn their Review Patch

Frequent Flyer Extra Credit Cards to earn their Extra Credit Pin

The handbook review is the first segment, followed by four segments of brand new verses to memorize.

The review segment (or review from the handbook itself) must be completed before beginning the rest of the Extra Credit Cards.

When all of the cards are completed, the Extra Credit pin is earned.

Rewards and Incentives

Awana Bucks

Each club night, Sparkies will have the opportunity to earn Awana bucks in the following three ways:

- 1) Attendance (uniform, Handbook and Bible)
- 2) Completing handbook sections
- 3) Game time

The Awana bucks can be used during what we call "Store." Each clubber will be able to attend the Store once per quarter. The schedule is based on the color teams and is open after club dismissal.

Plateau

There are four plateaus throughout the Awana year. In order to achieve plateau, the clubber must have completed at least 12 sections per quarter for HangGlider, and 10 per quarter for WingRunner and SkyStormer handbooks. For each plateau a clubber meets they will receive 5 AWANA bucks.

Handbook Completion Awards

Each Sparky child that completes a Handbook will also receive a Book Completion award at the Year End Awards Ceremony. After completing all three Handbooks a special Sparky Award Plaque will be presented at the Year End Awards Ceremony.

How You Can Help

Tips for the Parents

1. Please be prompt and on time

Check-in starts at 6:15 p.m. and Pick up is at 8:15 p.m.

2. Make sure your child wears the uniform shirt to club.

Proper display of clubbers' awards contributes greatly to their sense of achievement.

3. Help your child prepare for Club each week, learning handbook material at home.

Take the time during the week to work with your child on the handbook activities and memory verses. Children often do better in Awana when a parental figure is also interested.

4. Visit club anytime.

Your child will be thrilled to have you take part in club activities.

5. Encourage your child each step of the way.

Learning is hard work!

Sparks Club Expenses Uniforms and Books

Sparks clubbers are required to purchase a shirt and Handbook.
Visit the Awana website for optional gear, apparel or gifts.

Sparks Vest	\$12.00
Sparks Handbook	\$12.00
Sparks Bag (optional)	\$7.00

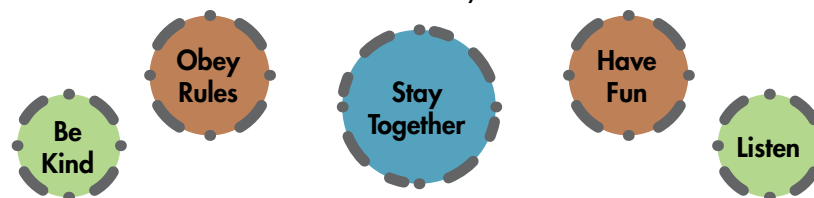
Please talk to the Commander if the purchase of these items presents a problem for your family. We will do whatever we can to help you.

Behavior and Discipline Policy

Expectations

Clubbers are expected to behave in a manner that is respectful and calm, to help themselves and others get the most out of our program.

This means that they should...



The 5 Count

1-2-3-4-5 - Used to Get the Group's Attention

The leader will count to 5 and when they finish, clubbers should be quiet and ready to listen.

The 3 Strikes

As in baseball, the Awana Staff uses the 3 strike method to help address individual clubber misbehavior.

Strike 1 - A Formal Warning

When a clubber continues to act inappropriately after gentle reminders.

Strike 2 - Redirect or Make a Change

If a clubber continues to create disturbances and disobey leaders after the first strike is given, the clubber is given a second strike. At this point the leader will redirect behavior and make any environmental changes that need to be made to help the child get back on track (ie. moving clubber to another seat).

Strike 3 - Suspension

If a clubber fails to correct their behavior and continues to create problems then they will be given a third strike. This will result in an immediate suspension. If a parent or guardian is not available, the child will sit with an approved adult until the end of club. The clubber may be given an opportunity to return to club the following week, but only after the Commander and Director meet with a parent or guardian.

If this becomes a recurring problem, additional measures may be discussed between the Director and a parent or guardian. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the club's Director or the Commander.

Awana Go

What is Awana Go?

Awana Go is a fundraiser that our club participates in every year. Clubbers are encouraged to give to help provide financial assistance to national and international Awana clubs that cannot afford handbooks, uniforms, and other items needed for an Awana club.

For every \$10 that is raised,
a child will have the chance to hear
the gospel of Jesus Christ!

Each clubber that brings money during Awana Go receives an Awana Go region patch to put on their uniform.

What Can You Do?

During our fundraiser you can help your clubber by encouraging them to perform home activities like extra chores to earn money.



What is Pie Night?

After Awana Go is over we will put the names of the clubbers who gave into a drawing. The winners of the drawing will get to throw a whipped cream pie at the leader of their choice!

Event Nights

Throughout the Awana year our club will have special theme or event nights that everyone can participate in, leaders and parents included!

These nights are all about fun, so participation is not required but highly suggested!

Silly Sock Night

Have a pair of silly socks hiding in your drawer?
This is the night to pull them out!

Neon Night

Wear white or other bright colors to play
games in our black lights!

Christmas Sweater Night

It's the holidays, so pull out the sweaters
for our Christmas party!

Sports Night

Show your team pride by wearing
your favorite sports gear!

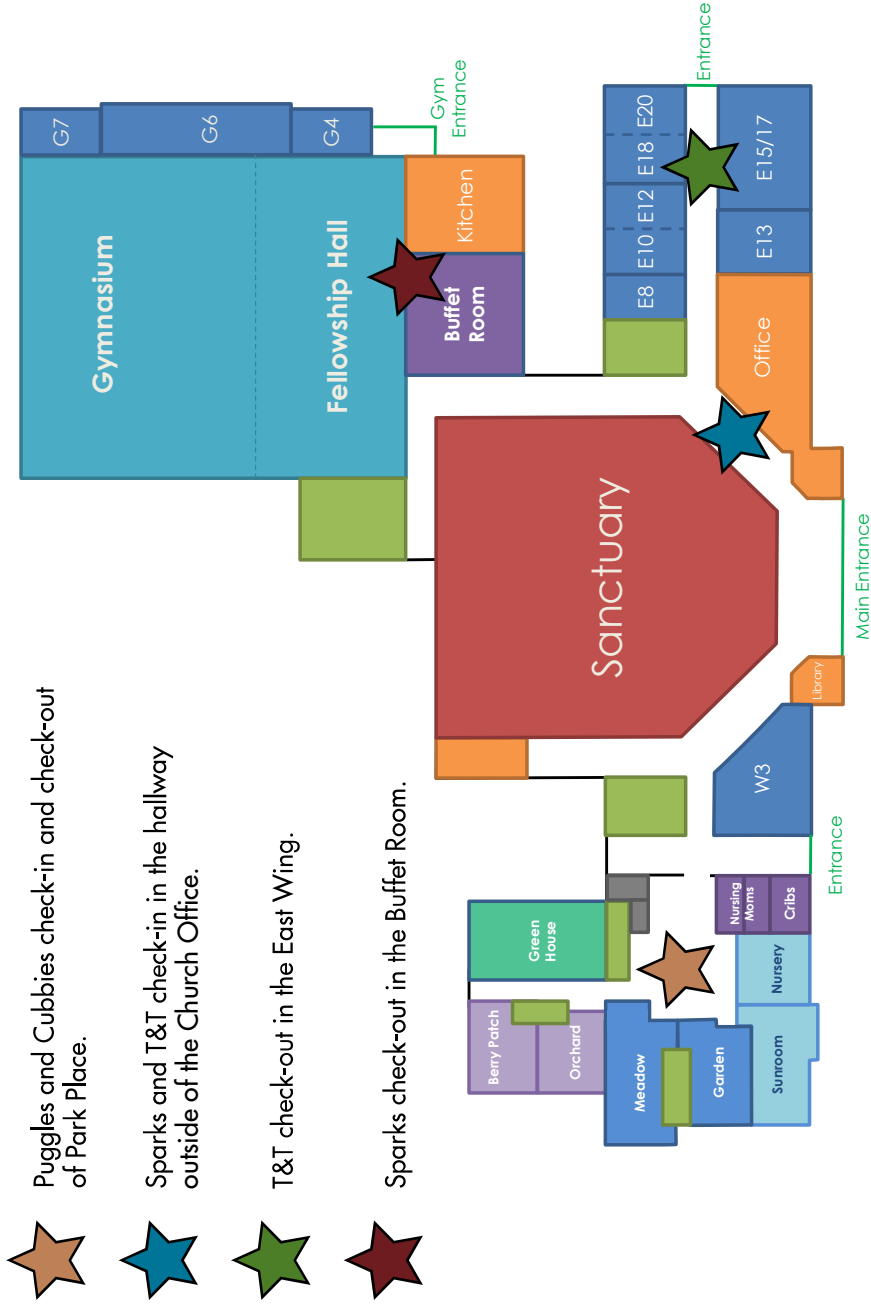
Crazy Hair Night

Anything goes with your 'do tonight!

Crazy Hat Night

Wear a silly hat or make your own!

Building Map



Lock Down Situation

1. Lock all access points to the room you are in.
2. Drop blinds to cover the door windows.
3. Move people to the least visible area.
4. Turn off the lights.
5. Remain calm and quiet.
6. Wait for the "all clear" notification.

Fire Emergency

Alarms will sound and strobes will flash

1. Exit the Building by the closest exit marked with a sign and noted on the map with red.
2. Proceed safely to the south lawn at the front of the church.
3. Stay clear of emergency workers, and connect with family members.

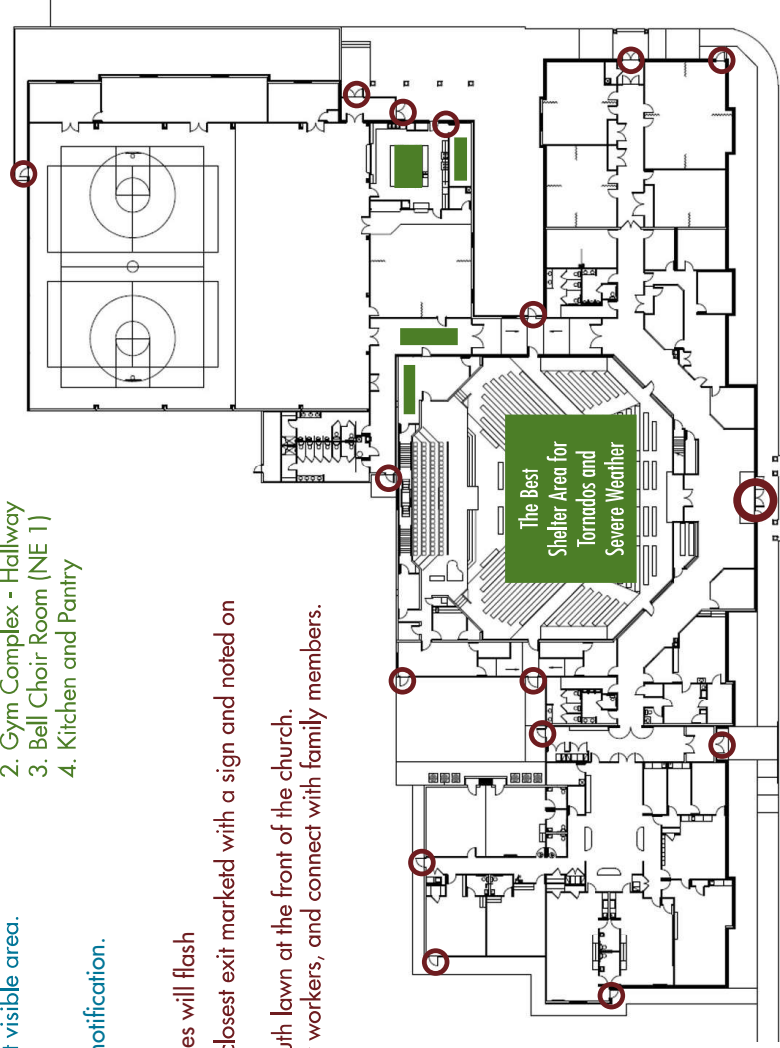
**In case of FIRE,
go directly to the
front lawn.**

Severe Weather / Tornadoes

Proceed to the areas designated by **Green**:

1. Sanctuary - South (back) of the Auditorium
2. Gym Complex - Hallway
3. Bell Choir Room (NE 1)
4. Kitchen and Pantry

Emergency Map



Awana Calendar 2018-19

8/22/18	Week 1			
8/29/18	Week 2			
9/5/18	Week 3			
9/12/18	Week 4			
9/19/18	Week 5			Crazy Sock Night
9/26/18		No Club		In-Service Night 1
10/3/18	Week 6			
10/10/18	Week 7		Fall Food Drive	
10/17/18	Week 8	Plateau 1	Fall Food Drive	Pastor Night
10/24/18	Week 9		Fall Food Drive	Neon Night
10/31/18		No Club		Fall Harvest
11/7/18	Week 10		Fall Food Drive	
11/14/18	Week 11		Fall Food Drive	
11/21/18		No Club		Thanksgiving Break
11/28/18	Week 12			
12/5/18	Week 13			
12/12/18	Week 14			
12/19/18	Week 15			Christmas Party
12/26/18		No Club		Winter Break
1/2/19	Week 16	Plateau 2		
1/9/19	Week 17			
1/16/19	Week 18			Sports Night
1/23/19		No Club		In-Service Night 2
1/30/19	Week 19		Awana Go	
2/6/19	Week 20		Awana Go	
2/13/19	Week 21		Awana Go	
2/20/19	Week 22		Awana Go	Crazy Hair Night
2/27/19	Week 23	Plateau 3	Awana Go	
3/6/19	Week 24		Awana Go	
3/13/19		No Club		Spring Break
3/20/19	Week 25			Pie Night
3/27/19	Week 26			
4/3/19	Week 27			
4/10/19	Week 28			
4/17/19	Week 29			Crazy Hat Night
4/24/19	Week 30			
5/1/19	Week 31			
5/8/19	Week 32	Plateau 4		
5/15/19				Awards Night