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AWANA CLUBS

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Parent and Clubber Manual

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Dear Parents,

I am really excited about the beginning of our AWANA. We have put together a very strong team of leaders and helpers to guide your child through the next year. You will see many familiar faces and a few fresh faces. We are hoping that your child will truly grow in his/her walk with God this year. The purpose of AWANA is to reach boys and girls with the Gospel of Christ and to train them to serve Him. No matter where your son or daughter is in their walk with Christ, I am confident that they will have a fun and rewarding experience in our club.

I would like to personally welcome your child to our AWANA Club. Our team has put together this information package to help answer any questions you might have about the club. Should you have any other questions or concerns please utilize the contact information page to find the most appropriate person to call.

As always, you are especially invited to attend our church and Sunday school services. Please let the welcome committee know you are a visiting AWANA parent and they will connect you with one of our AWANA Team Leaders. I look forward to meeting you during the AWANA year.

Grateful of His Mercies,

Amy Layfield
AWANA Commander-First Baptist Church Chatsworth

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First Baptist Church members Volunteer Opportunities

- ❖ Lead an AWANA Club
- ❖ Assist a club Leader by being a listener
- ❖ Assist in club administration
- ❖ Contribute financially
- ❖ Sponsor a less fortunate clubber
- ❖ Provide a message during council time
- ❖ Help out during special events

Non-member Volunteer Opportunities

- ❖ Listening in a club (providing you have prior AWANA experience)
- ❖ Contribute financially
- ❖ Sponsor a less fortunate child
- ❖ Help out during special events
- ❖ Provide new items for the AWANA Store

Please remember that parents are welcome and encouraged to visit the club at any time.

Club Dues

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Nightly dues are .50 and should be paid at time of check-in. I would like to discourage monthly payment of dues. Paying weekly teaches responsibility and stewardship. Your child is welcome to bring an offering to help offset the other expenses in the program.

Handbooks and Uniforms

After each child has finished their club entrance booklet, they are entitled to purchase their Club uniform and handbook. You will receive a letter home with a payment envelope. Until we receive a response from you, a uniform will not be issued. Let me know if you are in need of a payment sponsor.

However, a handbook will be given out prior to payment so the child will not go a week without anything to study.

Uniform costs

Sparks - includes uniform, book, book bag	25.00
Truth and Training - includes uniform, book, book bag	29.00
Club Books	6.00
CD - Puts your child's book to song for easier memorizing	5.00

There is an AWANA catalog available for the purchase of cool gifts. Please see one of the AWANA staff and we will be glad to assist you.

Please Note:

Uniforms will be ordered larger than the clubbers regular size, so the clubber can grow into the uniform over their remaining club years.

Club Standards

- 1.** Obey all AWANA leaders and respect all teammates.
- 2.** Clubbers must participate in all activities during club night (unless temporarily excused from games with a note from their parents).
- 3.** Respect and care for church property and other people at all times.
- 4.** Running is allowed only on the game circle during special games.
- 5.** Uniforms and handbooks may be purchased when a clubber has completed their entrance booklet. Upon completion of this booklet your child will receive a book to begin working right away. Also, a payment envelope will be sent home that same evening. A uniform will be ordered and awarded the following week. Please send in payment promptly in the payment envelope provided.
- 6.** Should a situation arise where payment is unable to be met, please speak with the commander confidentially and a sponsor will be assigned to your child. These situations will be kept confidential and the child will not know of the sponsorship. NO child will go without a uniform.
- 7.** Upon receiving their uniform, the clubber should wear it to every regular club night unless there is a special night calling for different clothing.
- 8.** Gym shoes are considered part of the AWANA Uniform and should be worn every night.
- 9.** The uniform should be kept clean and in good condition. The uniform shirt on the boys and men should be tucked in. The Sparky vest should be buttoned up.
- 10.** Awards are presented only to clubbers who have on their uniform at the time the awards are presented.
- 11.** Clubbers are allowed to only bring items associated with the club meeting such as Bible, book bag, handbook, dues, special event items and FRIENDS. Other items such as toys, hand held games etc., will be given to the Commander or Director and may be picked up at the end of club night.

First Baptist Church Awana Clubs Nightly Schedule

(Schedule might be modified on special event nights)

	5:30-5:35	5:35-6:05	6:05-6:35	6:35-7:00	
Sparks	Flags	Sparkle Time Handbook	Game Time	Green Meadow (Council)	Awards and Announcements
T & T	Flags	Handbook Time	Council Time	Games	Awards and Announcements

This year the Awana Store will be open from 7:15 to 7:45. The store will be open 2 times during the year. Please see club calendar for dates.

Club Discipline

In order to have a safe and effective club, discipline is key. The following are discipline guidelines set by AWANA International and approved by our church.

THE 5 - COUNT

The five count is used to bring order to the entire group. The person in charge (Commander, Director, Game Leader or Leader) initiates the 5-count by holding a hand up and fingers accordingly, while counting slowly and loudly to 5. At the count of 5, all clubbers and Leaders are to be quiet, still and paying attention. Clubbers are not to raise their hands or count out loud when the Leader is counting to 5. Other Leaders silently hold up their hand and fingers while checking to see if clubbers are quiet and on their color line when applicable.

THE 3 - COUNT

The 3 count is used when an individual clubber continues to misbehave after being corrected.

COUNT OF 1 - A warning is given by any leader to the clubber. They will be told that their behavior is not in accordance with the AWANA standards and that they should stop. The Leader giving the 1 count will then tell the Director that the child has been given a 1 count.

COUNT OF 2 - The clubber is counseled by the club Director, who in turn investigates the problem. The Director may choose to have the clubber miss 10 minutes of games time or revoke any shares earned. The Director will then inform the Commander about the two count.

COUNT OF 3 - The clubber is counseled by the Commander. The clubber's parents will be called and the clubber will be sent home. In the event the parents cannot be reached, the clubber will be separated from the club and remain with the Commander and staff. Depending in the problem, the clubber's parents may be asked to keep their child home for a week. This is in very extreme cases. Please understand that one clubber can disrupt the whole club night and everything is possible is done to keep any suspensions from happening.

AWANA Games Permission Form

My child _____ has my permission to participate in the AWANA Games hosted by **First Baptist Church in Chatsworth Georgia**. I give my permission for the nurse on duty to administer minor first aid if necessary. I also give my consent for treatment at the nearest facility if deemed necessary.

Name of Insurance Co. _____
Policy number _____

Parent's name (Printed)

Parent's signature _____