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## Welcome THANK YOU FOR JOINING US

If you are not familiar with AWANA, it is a bit different than a typical mid-week church program. With resources and curriculum for children in Pre-K to 12th grade, Awana Children's Ministries™ develops a biblical foundation and teaches kids to live a life of wisdom and grace.

#### Communication GETTING THE WORD OUT

- 1) Parent Email List—This is our primary method of communication. Provide ALL the email addresses you wish communications be sent to (email theheights@whbc.org)
- 2) WHBC Awana Clubs Facebook page—for pictures/video, short announcements/reminders
- 3) **Remind App**—text @whbcawa to 81010 to join (used for short reminders)

# Weekly wednesday evenings (september-april ) 6:25-8:00 p.m.

Handbook time, small group discipleship, and game time make up the flexible structure of the Awana approach.

- **Handbook Time**—Each Club breaks into smaller groups to focus on the week's handbook section. Preparation beforehand is desired so Clubbers come prepared to recite any verses and complete any required questions/activities.
- **Small Group Time**—Each Club gathers for a special Bible Lesson, often geared around the nights theme.
- **Game Time**—A high-energy time featuring individual and team competition. The Awana Game Circle has universal appeal and everyone participates! FOR SAFETY REASONS, CHILDREN ARE REQUIRED TO WEAR CLOSED-TOE SHOES.
- Awards-Clubbers earn awards based on their handbook completion that are meant to be displayed on their uniforms. (See back of Clubber book for more information on where to apply awards to uniforms).

## Club Specific Awards

- Sparks & T&T Stores—Twice a year Clubbers spend their Awana shares on fun prizes! Shares are earned each week for saying sections, wearing their uniform and other promotions as announced.
- **T&T Year-end Book Completion Party**-T&T Clubbers who complete their book can participate in the end-of-the-year party (offsite location).
- **Timothy Award**—T&T 6th Grade Clubbers who have completed all four books are eligible for a full camp scholarship at Scioto Hills.

#### Parental Involvement

A true game-changer for your child's AWANA experience. AWANA is NOT designed as a mid-week Sunday School hour where you drop your kids off and pick them up 1.5 hours later. The AWANA handbooks are designed around the idea that the primary place of child discipleship should happen in the home and functions at its peak with high parental involvement. The ultimate goal is to see more kids come to know Christ and to grow in their faith. We believe that a parent's role is absolutely critical in this process. Please consider how you can set aside time at home to further your child's faith education.

Every Clubber should receive a lesson schedule. Clubbers can always go back and complete handbook sections that were missed, but everyone will be working on the current lesson for that week as the first priority.

### Awana Clubs offered at WHBC

(Age 3 thru 12th Grade)

#### Wednesday Evenings (September—April) 6:25-8:00 p.m.

Cubbies enjoy an engaging puppet show and Bible story as they work on the section assigned for them each week. A snack is provided (nut-free). AGE 3 (BY SEPT 1) THRU PREK

Sparks recite scripture and go deeper into God's Word and its meaning with the help of a Small Group Leader who will encourage spiritual growth through relationships and discussion. Sparks need to complete 2-3 sections per week to pass the whole book in a year. A section schedule is provided for the year. K5 THRU 2ND GRADES

 $T\&T^{\circledast}$  (Truth & Training) explores the concept of grace by focusing on the character and nature of God, identity of Christ, as well as the structure and format of the Bible. T&T goes through one lesson each week, but with review sections, each Clubber would need to complete slightly more than one section per week to finish his/her book in a year. 3RD THRU 6TH GRADES

#### Sunday Evenings (September—April) 6:00-7:30 p.m.

Trek® helps students to dive deep into the Scriptures and answer the tough questions about who they are and why they are here. 7TH & 8TH GRADES



**OURNEY** Journey® establishes high school students as lifelong disciples through a deep study of God's Word, mobilizing them to live with godly perspective and evident faith.

**9TH THRU 12TH GRADES**