

Introducing...

awanaBecause Kids
Matter To God

What goes on in AWANA?

Opening Ceremonies

At the beginning of the night, each club has flag ceremonies and prayer.

Handbook Time

Using achievement-oriented learning segments, AWANA emphasizes the importance of God's word for daily living. Clubbers progress through handbooks, working individually and together with their leader. Time is spent listening to the clubber's memory work, explaining the verses to them and handing out their awards.

Game Time

Each week, we have an exciting game time for each age group. This segment teaches teamwork and cooperation, and allows for large muscle activity.

Council Time

This is a general session for everyone. It is a quality time for group Bible stories, drama, puppets, and great guest speakers. Theme nights are very popular, the gospel is presented and life lessons are learned from scripture.

What are the AWANA clubs?

School of Discipleship for your children

Puggles

Puggles is uniquely designed for mid and older 2 year olds. Puggles is one exciting step down from Cubbies. Must be 2 years old by 3/31/08.

Cubbies

Cubbies club is designed for 3 and 4 year olds. Cubbies must be 3 by September 30 **and** be potty trained in order to participate. The program includes Bible memorization in handbooks, awards and exciting activities. The materials lend themselves well to parental guidance and interaction.

Sparks

Sparks club is for children who are in kindergarten, first, and second grade. These clubbers will also memorize scripture from handbooks, awards will be given for their work, and they will play official Awana games along with some fun games as well.

Truth & Training (T&T)

T&T club is for children who are in the third through sixth grades. These clubbers will work in handbooks making discoveries and accepting challenges. Awards will be given for their work, and they will play official Awana games along with some fun games as well.

Our awesome leadership team!

Commander:	Chris Crow
Cubbies/Puggles Dir:	Wendy Steele
Sparks Director:	Margaret Smith
T&T Director Boys:	TBA
T&T Director Girls:	Lisa Willard

What is the weekly schedule?

AWANA runs on the same schedule as the School of Discipleship meeting on Sunday nights from 6:00 - 7:45pm.

Puggles & Cubbies are dropped off **and** picked up in their classrooms.

Sparks & Truth & Training Clubbers start off in Room 157 for Opening Ceremonies. Sparks will be picked up in Room 173 and T & T will be picked up in Room 157.

How much does it cost?

We ask each parent to pay club fees to help balance the cost of awards, equipment and special events for the year. The church underwrites the club in significant ways, but the fees help cover part of the expense of the club.

1 child	\$15.00
2 children	\$25.00
3 children	\$35.00
4 or More	\$40.00

Handbooks	\$ 8.00
Uniforms	\$11.00 (T&T—\$15.00)
Tote Bags	\$ 6.00
Lost Badges	\$ 2.00

If there is a financial difficulty, please contact the club commander - Chris Crow.

A payment schedule may be arranged or a full/partial scholarship may be available in certain circumstances.

What is the role of the parent?

We need your help and support! This school of discipleship program is an awesome way to grow your children spiritually. Learning the value of being in God's word each day cannot be missed as the AWANA program's goal is to reach boys and girls for Christ and train them to serve Him.

Your children should work in their handbooks a little each day. This helps them retain what they are learning. We want each child to come prepared to recite verses and complete sections in their handbooks. Learning the verses during handbook time is not acceptable. If your child has difficulty with memorization or physical activity during game time, please notify the Director of their club. We want this to be a fun time for everyone!

Make sure they arrive at club on time and prepared – wearing their uniform, tennis shoes and bringing their handbook and Bible. Late arrivers miss Opening Ceremonies which starts the night off as a team effort.

Help your children attend regularly on Sunday night. Also, encourage them to make the outside events a priority. These include the Grand Prix, Quiz Meet and Awana Games. They are part of an awesome team and are greatly missed when they do not come.

Last, but not least, we need parental involvement. We would love to have your help as an AWANA leader. Consider a one year commitment to a specific club or an on-call helper in times of need.

What does an AWANA leader look like?

Jesus Christ is their Lord and Savior

Is a member of Woodland Park Baptist Church

Loves children and wants to see them grow spiritually

Being a leader in an AWANA club is fun & easy. We also offer a total training package (**August 24, 6:00—7:30 pm**).

Enjoy playing during game time.

Listen to clubbers recite sections during Handbook time, ready to explain the verses to them if needed.

Sit with your clubbers during Council time.

Leave each night with a smile!



Mission Opportunity

Each year the Sparks and T&T clubs support Adopt-A-Club. Each clubber brings \$5.00 or more. The money is sent to AWANA headquarters and used to establish AWANA clubs in countries that are unable to afford the equipment and supplies. Woodland Park AWANA Club sponsors clubs in Ecuador and Philippines.



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General Club Guidelines/Info

The following rules and guidelines are designed to encourage a smooth-running *AND* enjoyable club. *Please read these guidelines and review them with your clubber.* With your help, we are sure to have a super year together.

- Clubbers should not loiter before or after club. **Please do not drop of children prior to 5:45pm.** We will have to send children back to their parents if they arrive prior to 5:45pm. **Club ends at 7:45 p.m. Parents should make arrangements to pick up clubbers promptly at this time! If someone other than a parent is picking up a Spark, a written note must be given to the Director! Siblings are not allowed to pick up Sparks.**
- Clubbers may not use foul language or gestures before, during, or after club.
- Clubbers should not push, shove, roughhouse, run, or wrestle before, during, or after Awana.
- Clubbers should not bring gum, candy, food, or electronic devices to club.
- Awana uses the five count to bring order after activities. The Commander, Director, or Leader will count 1-2-3-4-5. Each clubber should become quiet and listen to instructions for the next activity.
- Awana uses the three-count as a discipline device. A disorderly clubber will be warned with a count of "1" and warned again with a count of "2" and will need to speak with the Director upon receiving the 2 count. If the clubber continues to misbehave, he or she will receive a "3" count and be removed from further activities for the rest of club time that night. The parents will also be found upon receiving a "3" count in order to speak with the Director and or the Commander and the child.
- All listeners use the same standard. Two helps maximum for each verse. A help is equal to one to three words. **The Clubber must start all verses with the reference. If they do not, the listener must restart the clubber with the reference.** Restarting the clubber with the reference will not count as a help.
- It may be necessary during the busy part of the handbook time to limit the number of sections a clubber may say at one time, allowing other clubbers to have an opportunity to say sections. (Suggestion - 3-4 sections per time). ***Cubbies will be limited to one section each night.***

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Sparks and Truth & Training (T&T)

- After completing their entrance booklets, clubbers should purchase uniforms and handbooks. Entrance booklets and awards are free, but replacements must be purchased.
- Unfortunately, Clubbers who are not in uniform will have to wait until they are in uniform to receive uniform awards.
- Team points will include: Handbook (*saying sections will give the clubber the most points*), Bible, Uniform, Dues, Visitors, Sections, Special events and Game Time. The winning team will receive Awana shares. Clubbers will save their Awana shares and be able to visit the special Awana store twice a year to purchase fun items.
- Game Time is a privilege, and we do not want anyone to miss it. In the case of blatant misbehavior, however, the Commander or Director may revoke Game Time privileges for the night as an act of discipline.
- Awana welcomes visitors. A visitor is anyone eligible for one of our Awana Clubs who have never attended Awana at Woodland Park Baptist Church. The clubber bringing a visitor will receive five Awana bucks.