

Dear Parent or Guardian,

We are glad to have your child visit our AWANA club on Wednesday nights. If you have other children in grades Kindergarten through 6th grade, they are also invited to our club. Students in grades 7th through 12th are invited to check out Ignite, our youth group that also meets on Wednesday nights, 7:00-8:30 PM!

Our AWANA clubs are:

Sparks: Kindergarten through 2nd grade boys and girls

Truth & Training (TnT): 3rd through 6th grade boys and girls

Our club meets weekly on Wednesday evenings, 6:15-8:15 PM starting on September 5 and corresponding with the Perry school calendar. If Perry does not have school, we will not have club.

An AWANA club night consists of three parts: Games, Large Group (Bible lesson time), and Small Group (Handbook time). All our clubs are led by trained adults.

To support our club program, we have incorporated the annual dues of \$15 into the registration fee. This fee covers the cost of awards and supplies for the club.

Your child will start with an **Entrance Booklet** (Flight 3:16 for Sparks, StartZone for TnT), which is the first step in AWANA achievement. We hope you will help your child complete this handbook over the next couple of weeks. When the booklet is finished, your child is eligible to receive an AWANA handbook. We want to work with you in providing balanced physical, social, and spiritual activities for your child.

If you do not have a church home, we would like to invite you to visit our church. We have a Sunday morning prayer gathering from 9:00-9:30AM, fellowship time 9:30-10AM, and our Worship service at 10AM. Children (pre-K through 5th grade) are dismissed during the teaching time of the Sunday Worship service to KinderZone and KidZone for learning about God and His Word at their level. Nursery is provided for birth through 3 years.

Building Lives Together,

The AWANA Ministry Team of Crossroads Church

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Club Policies and Rules

Discipline is the process of teaching acceptable behavior and self-control. Our motivation for discipline is our love for AWANA clubbers. We love and respect all the children who attend our club meeting. We ask for their respect in return.

1. **The Five-Count:** the person in charge begins to count to five slowly and loudly enough to be heard. Clubbers are to line up straight and silently on their team lines or sit quietly in their seats.
2. **The Three-Count:** if a clubber misbehaves, the director will issue a warning. This is a “one.” If the clubber misbehaves again during the same club meeting, the director issues him/her the “two” count. At this time the clubber will be removed and his/her offense will be explained and he/she will be given one more chance. If the clubber misbehaves a third time during the same club meeting, he/she will be removed for the remainder of the club. If the parent is on campus, the child will be brought to the parent. If no parent is on campus, the child will remain with a leader until the end of club. The parents will be notified of the child’s behavior.
3. There will be NO running in the building at any time. The only exception to the rule is Game Time and only when instructed to do so by the Game Leaders.
4. All clubbers will always use respectful language.

DRESS CODE:

We do not require AWANA uniforms, but if a clubber has one to wear, we do encourage it. We ask that all clubbers dress in a manner that is appropriate to the setting and dress prepared to play physical games: sneakers or other shoes that allow for running, no skirts or dresses, and nothing that would inhibit movement.

Clubbers will be given their lanyards at the beginning of club and must wear them until dismissal, unless game time requires their removal. At that time a leader will take responsibility for the lanyards.

HANDBOOK RULES:

All clubbers are required to bring their handbook to club each night.

If a clubber fails to bring his/her handbook to club, one will be loaned to them for use during the club. The clubber will be allowed to study sections during handbook time, but will not be allowed to pass or have sections signed off.

DISMISSAL PROCEDURE:

All clubbers must be picked up from their leader at the end of night. Whoever is picking up your child will need to enter the building at the end of the night. We really encourage you to attend the closing ceremony at 8:05 and see the clubbers receive their weekly rewards. You can then get your clubber(s) from their leaders and receive any information about upcoming events. If you or the designated person are unable to personally pick your child up, you will need to call the Ministry Director, Heather Karolus, before 8 PM on Wednesdays. *Be prepared to tell your child's name and grade, the name of who is picking up your child, and the age of the person picking up your child.*

Ministry Director, Heather can be reached at **515-401-8064**. If you cannot reach Heather, please call the **Game Director, Pastor Rick Gates** at **515-979-2154** with the same information.

Thank you for your cooperation in making our AWANA club year a success!

AWANA Club Rules

1. I will stay with my team/leader at all times.
2. I will respect my leaders by obeying them and not arguing!
3. I will only touch others with kindness and for appropriate reasons.
4. I will be quiet when a five count is given.
5. I will respect other clubbers by calling them by their proper name and playing all games fairly.

Phil. 4:8 "Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable – if anything is excellent or praiseworthy – think about such things."

I understand and agree to abide by the AWANA Club Rules.

Clubber's Name: _____
(Please Print)

Clubber's Signature: _____ **date:** _____

Parent's Signature: _____ **date:** _____