



PARENT HANDBOOK 2020-21  
SOUTHWINDS BAPTIST CHURCH  
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## **Regular Service Schedule**

### **Sundays**

ABF (Sunday School )	9:00 am
Morning Worship	10:15 am
TOPS Children's Choir (Fall Only)	9:00 am

### **Wednesday Nights**

Adult Bible Study	6:30 pm
Elevate Student's Service	6:30 pm
AWANA Clubs	6:20 pm

*(Nursery available for all regularly scheduled services.)*

# **Welcome**

## **to Southwinds Baptist Church's**

### **AWANA Club**

It is our privilege to have your child attend our AWANA Club. We sincerely desire that this experience will be a fun time of learning and growing for your child.

The word AWANA is an acronym derived from the words Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed. This comes from 2 Timothy 2:15 which states, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

Each weekly club meeting is composed of three main elements. Your child will enjoy the active, but safe, AWANA games in Game Time. These are uniquely created around the AWANA Game Circle. During small group, a trained leader works with several clubbers teaching them the meaning of the verses they have already learned and reviewing sections in their handbooks. Large group is a time of singing, sharing together and listening to Bible stories and devotional message. Your child will be presented the Gospel multiple times this year in AWANA. Please be prepared for questions as your child is being disciplined and mentored.

You have a critical part in all of this. In order for your child to get the most out of AWANA, your partnership with us is essential. Please support your child in AWANA by helping with memorization, understanding of the scriptures and encouraging an enthusiasm about AWANA. Through this booklet we hope to inform you of the various activities, events and policies of AWANA. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us at any time.

Misty Chute  
AWANA Commander  
281-351-7677 \* Church



**Cubbies** is for 3 to 5 year old girls and boys. Kids in this group must be potty trained to participate. We feel that Cubbies is unique because it supports and maintains the parents as the primary source of spiritual nurturing by directly involving them in the teaching process. The Cubbies program uses fundamental AWANA elements of Bible memorization, handbooks, awards, games and activities. We also use developmentally appropriate lessons and activities combined with basic Bible truths and popular preschool concepts of color, shapes, numbers and letters.

## What's the Cost?

Dues are to be paid before clubs and run \$15 per year. Club dues provide the funds we need for awards prizes and incentives for your child.

Cubbies Handbook: \$15.00

Cubbies Vests: \$15.00

Cubbies Carrying Bag: \$10.00 (*optional*)



## Cubbies Awards

1. Trail Emblem
2. Red Apple Emblem
3. Green Apple Emblem



### AppleSeed and HoneyComb Trail Emblems

Cubbies receive the AppleSeed Trail emblem for completing the AppleSeed Trail or the HoneyComb Trail emblem for completing the HoneyComb Trail. Trails are at the beginning of each handbook.

### Green Apple and Red Apple Emblems

Reward your AWANA Cubbies at key levels of achievement in the Apple Acres entrance booklet and AppleSeed handbook with bright red and green apple emblems. Cubbies earn four green apple emblems and four red apple emblems during the year. Achievement emblems for the AppleSeed handbook complete the letter "A" on the vest and achievement emblems for the HoneyComb handbook complete



**Sparks:** This club is a three year program for children ages Kindergarten through 2nd grade. Sparks emphasizes Bible memorization and Bible-centered activities which is accomplished through weekly games, council time and handbook time.

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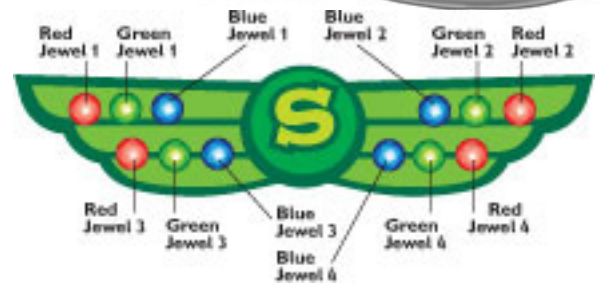
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Sparks Books: \$15

Sparks Vests: \$15

Sparks Carrying Bag: \$10(*optional*)

Sparks will be following the same format at the other clubs (Cubbies & T&T). We will be doing only the sections that are scheduled for that particular date. The Clubbers may make up sections missed at book time.



## Sparks Awards

- 1 Sparks Emblem
- 2 HangGlider Rank Emblem
- 3 WingRunner Rank Emblem
- 4 SkyStormer Rank Emblem
- 5 HangGlider Review Emblem
- 6 HangGlider Pilot Wings & Jewels
- 7 HangGlider Extra Credit Pin
- 8 Church Attendance Emblems



## Truth and Training (T&T):

T&T is a program designed for children ages 3rd grade through 6th grade. This club also emphasizes Bible memorization and Bible centered activities through weekly

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Clubbers Books: \$15

T&T T-Shirts: \$15

Clubbers Carrying Bag: \$20 (*optional*)



Per book:  
8 chevrons  
4 silver  
4 gold

## T&T Awards

Every 4 sections completed, your child earns a chevron for their uniform. These can be arranged however your child would like to put them. Let them use their creativity.



\*Bag is optional

All T&T clubbers ages 3rd-6th grade will be in the same book. The calendar enclosed in this packet will allow you to know what verse your child should be prepared to say and section to be completed by club each night.

\*\*\*It is IMPORTANT that children are prepared and ready. It is not your leader's job to teach them their verse or finish their section, that should be done at home. AWANA is a support system for the home.

## Absence

If your child is not present for a week, they can move on to the correct section on the calendar. If they desire, during handbook time before club, they can show their leader their previous work and memory verses. There is no need for your child to move ahead. If they stay on track they will complete they book by the end of the year.

## REQUIRED parts of section need to complete the section



Intro Activity to get kids thinking about the section



The Bible Study



Bible Memory Verse



Review previous section's memory verse

## OPTIONAL extra activities and extra



Weekly Optional interaction for clubbers to interact with



Additional Extra Credit. (Gold not required to complete Silver)



Additional Extra Credit. (Silver not required to complete Gold)

## CLUBS Directors

Club Commander.....	Misty Chute	misty@southwindschurch.com	281.475.9884
Cubbies.....	Linda Horn	linda-horn@sbcglobal.net	832.934.2880
Sparks.....	Toni Stephens	ltstephens7@sbcglobal.net	713-598-6072
T&T.....	Misty Chute	misty@southwindschurch.com	

### Check in/Check out Procedure

In an effort to ensure that your child is released to the authorized person, the church has established the following procedure that we ask you follow each evening:

1. At the beginning of each evening, please check in your child at the registration area. **Check-in will be at 6:20 p.m., and the program begins at 6:30 p.m.**
2. Your child should be prepared to answer the check in questions, have their dues ready, and be in uniform. Carrying the uniform in the bag does not count.
3. At the end of each evening, the children will be awaiting your arrival at parent car rider line. **Please arrive promptly at 7:50 p.m.** to pick up your child. We ask you to wait in your car or if coming from the chapel, please wait in foyer area. Your child will be called and released to you. If you are picking up other children, the parent must inform our secretaries at the beginning of the night.

### Club Rules and Discipline:

During the AWANA Club time we ask the children to respect and obey the instructions of our trained leaders. While we do not expect the clubbers to be perfect in their behavior, we ask that they simply respond to the direction and instruction of those working the program.

Some basic rules include:

1. Respect the adults at AWANA. Pay attention and do not talk while a leader is giving instruction. Raise your hand if you have a question.
2. Pay attention while the speaker is sharing the lesson for the evening.
3. Respect the other clubbers by not hitting other clubbers, using appropriate language (i.e. encouraging words should be used and no cursing) no bullying other clubbers, etc. We want the clubber's words and actions to



help

In the event that the leaders encounter difficulty with the clubber, he or she is put on the THREE COUNT. This is an individual approach in which the child is given 2 more warnings. If there is a 3rd offense, the clubber is removed from the group activity and is taken to be with the Club Commander until the end of the program. If the offense warrants such discipline, the clubber may be asked to sit out from club for one week. It is our hope that with the support and guidance of the parent that the student will return to our club and thrive by following our basic guidelines.

## UNIFORMS:

Clubbers need to remember to wear their uniform each week. Uniforms promote pride and uniformity as a group. We encourage clubbers to **wear pants or long shorts and tennis shoes** along with their uniform to the club each week. No shorter than mid-thigh preferred, this is for clubbers protection during game time for those occasional times when students may slip and fall on the gym floor. The active nature of our games do not lend themselves to girls wearing dresses or skirts. Thank you for making every effort to ensure that your child is dressed according to our basic guidelines.

## Clubber Handbook

The handbook is a vital tool for your child's success in AWANA. It helps the clubber learn about God and what He has for their lives. We encourage you as a parent to work with your child in his or her handbook. As you work with them please keep these things in mind:

1. Clubbers must have their handbooks with them in order to pass their section.
2. Sections are to be said to an AWANA leader during club time or at Fast Track only. Only two helps are allowed to pass a section.
3. We desire to have clubbers come prepared with their sections memorized each week. We suggest they spend 10-15 minutes each day to work on their handbook at home.
4. Do your best to explain the meaning of each verse. Our goal is to not just have the clubber memorize the verse but understand what is being said. If you are not sure of the meaning of the verse, please contact the Children's Director or one of the leaders.
5. Clubbers are to say the scheduled section according to their particular calendar (i.e, T&T, Sparks, Cubbies). They may make up sections at Fast Track and in small group if time allows.



Handbook Awards: In order to keep pace completing books and earning awards, clubbers will need to work on their handbooks at home and come prepared to pass sections. As they get to certain levels in their books they earn awards that they proudly display on their uniform. For each book finished a year end award will be given.

## BIBLE

Clubbers need to bring their Bible every Wednesday. Our Bible is our textbook and use it to look things up, fill in activities, and read from. At Southwinds, we prefer to use the KJV and our handbooks will reflect this version as well. If your child needs a Bible, please see a leader or the Commander for one.

## EXTRA: