



**COLLEGE VIEW**  
BAPTIST CHURCH



**Parents' Guidebook**

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## **2019-2020 Awana year**

Dear Awana Parents,

Thank you for letting your kids come to *Awana Clubs* this year at College View! We are all looking forward to a great year. In this guidebook, we have tried to address some of the potential questions you may have about our Awana program, as well as give you the details you will need so that you can know what to expect.

Our prayer is that children and youth throughout the world would come to know, love, and serve the Lord Jesus Christ! That goal is at the heart of everything we do in our Awana clubs. We strive to provide an atmosphere that is both fun and exciting, where kids can learn about the love that God has demonstrated for us.

Please be sure to fill out the information forms that might be sent home with your child. These will include the Medical Release form (one form for all your kids), as well as the Contact Information and Permission Authorization form.

Look for a ***Parents' Update*** to come home with your child periodically, and be sure to join your child in Awana for the ***Parents' Night*** as seen in the calendar on pages 14-15. Please feel free to give me a call, send an email, or drop by for a visit with any questions you may have!

For Him,

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## Welcome to Awana!

*“Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who has no need to be ashamed, rightly handling the word of truth.”*

—2 Timothy 2:15 ESV

College View Baptist Church currently offers Awana clubs for boys and girls from 3-years old through the 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Will McGee, our youth pastor, also has a Wednesday night Bible study for grades 6-12 throughout the year that meets at the same schedule as Awana during school.

**CUBBIES:** 3 & 4 years old

**SPARKS:** K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade

**T&T:** 3<sup>rd</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> grade

### **Weekly Schedule:**

6:15-6:30 pm — Check-in

6:30-6:35 pm — Opening Ceremony

6:35-7:55 pm — Handbook, Large group, and Game times

7:55-8:00 pm — Closing Ceremony and Dismissal

Our adult workers are generally in their places and ready by 6:15. **Please do not bring your children before 6:15 PM**, so we can ensure there are enough adults to give adequate supervision.

# Awana Team

## Administration

Pastor	Paul Bullock
Associate Pastor	Will McGee
Awana Secretary	Tena Sanders

## Cubbies (3-4 year-olds)

Cubbies Director	Dianne Williams
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## Sparks (K-2nd Grade)

Sparks Director	Lisa Perry
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## Truth & Training (3rd-5th Grade)

T&T Director	Carole Yates
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## Youth (6th-12th Grade)

Youth Pastor	Will McGee
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## **Club Expenses Price List**

Each child who attends Awana Clubs is given an entrance booklet on their first night. This book contains a few short sections with memory verses for them to complete. Once they have completed these sections, they are part of the club and are eligible to purchase their club uniform, handbook, and handbook bag. Clubbers are also asked to bring dues each week which will be used to help offset the cost of running the Awana program. Here is a price list for these items.

### **All Clubs**

Dues	\$0.50 per week
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### **Cubbies**

Handbook	\$10
Uniform Vest	\$10
Handbook bag	\$7

### **Sparks**

Handbook	\$10
Uniform Vest	\$10
Handbook bag	\$6
Optional Parent Guide	\$12

### **Truth & Training**

Handbook	\$10
Uniform Shirt	\$16
Optional sling backpack	\$8

## **General Guidelines and Discipline**

The purpose of discipline is to teach acceptable behavior, not merely to enforce a set of rules. By setting and enforcing club standards, Awana leaders attain a consistent standard of acceptable conduct.

Awana uses a five-count method to bring order and quiet to a large group. The Commander, Director, or another leader will slowly count to 5, at which time clubbers should be quiet and in their proper place.

Awana uses a three-count method as an individual discipline device. This is used anytime during the club to discipline clubbers who are being disruptive or are misbehaving. The clubber will be warned by the Director or another leader with a count of “1”. If misbehavior continues, the clubber will be warned again with a count of “2” and will be taken to a club director or the Awana Commander to discuss his or her behavior. If the clubber still refuses to behave appropriately they will receive a “3”, their parents will be called, and they may be suspended from their club for one week.

Here is a general list of guidelines for proper conduct during Awana:

- Foul language or gestures are not acceptable before, during, or after club.
- Clubbers should display care and respect for church property, club leaders, and other clubbers.
- Clubbers must be in uniform to receive awards.
- Clubbers must wear closed-toe shoes and pants to participate in Game Time. We strongly recommend that dresses, skirts, shorts and boots not be worn due to safety concerns during Game Time activities.
- Clubbers are asked not to ride bicycles, skateboards, scooters, or other equipment to Awana. It will be dark when we dismiss, making it unsafe for the clubber to ride these home.
- Clubbers are expected to follow the direction of their Awana Leaders.



## **Awana Transportation Guidelines**

We will attempt to provide a ride to Awana on Wednesday nights to clubbers who would otherwise have difficulty attending. Please note the following guidelines for the use of the van or other vehicles:

- College View's van is equipped for and shall transport only 15 passengers, including the driver.
- Parents may request to have their child picked up by calling the church at 870-234-2658, or by sending an email request to [pastor.cvbc@outlook.com](mailto:pastor.cvbc@outlook.com). Riders will be approved on a first come, first served basis.
- Every rider must remain seated with their seat belt fastened while the vehicle is in motion.
- All passengers must obey the directions of the adult leaders.
- Eating and drinking are not permitted in the van.
- All trash is to be placed in the garbage can at the front of the van.
- Any passenger who chooses not to follow these rules may lose the privilege of riding on the van.

We will generally pick up from 5:55-6:25 pm and drop off from 8:05-8:35 pm.

# **Awana Awards and Award System**

Awana is achievement-oriented, meaning that achievements are recognized and rewarded. Awards are given for handbook progress, Sunday School and club attendance, and participation in special events. Since these patches, pins, and other awards can only be worn on the uniform, we encourage all clubbers to have a uniform.

## **Awana Points**

Awana uses a Positive Points system to reward participation and good behavior. Clubbers will earn points for their team each night for attendance, handbook achievement, team effort, and other accomplishments. These points later become Awana Bucks that students can spend in our Awana store on designated Store Nights.

## **Club Attendance Awards**

These awards will be given four times each club year. Clubbers are allowed one absence in each time period.

## **Handbook Completion Awards**

These awards (ribbons and trophies) are given at the year-end Awards Night to clubbers who have completed their handbook.

## **Church/Sunday School Awards**

These awards will be given twice each club year. To earn this award, clubbers must attend Sunday School or worship services at the church of their choice each Sunday. Two absences will be allowed in each time period.

## **Special Activities and Events**

Awana is meant to be fun and exciting! The following events and activities will help to keep that excitement going week after week!

### **Theme Nights**

The calendar on pages 14-15 will show you the various Theme Nights that we have planned for this year. Some Theme Nights will have our clubbers dressing up, like wearing a football jersey or cheer uniform for our *Sports Night*. On other theme nights, our clubbers will be encouraged to bring something with them to club. Clubbers will earn extra points for their teams by participating in theme nights, and sometimes there will be a competition involved that could bring additional points.

### **Grand Prix**

This event is designed to bring parents and kids together to construct vehicles they will race now and treasure for a lifetime. Clubbers will compete for design and speed trophies by making a racecar from a block of pine wood. Kits will be sold well in advance at a cost of \$5.00 per kit.

### **The Great Turtle Race**

Our last regular Awana Club night, April 29, will include our annual "Great Turtle Race". Clubbers are encouraged to bring a live turtle with them on that night. Turtles will be raced and prizes will be awarded.

### **Awards Night Program**

Friends and families are encouraged to attend this great evening of recognition for clubbers. Clubbers will receive their book awards and other special recognitions. The program will include songs, awards, and presentations from each club. Our Awards Night will be held on Wednesday, April 29<sup>th</sup>.

## **Tips On How Parents Can Help**

We recognize that God intended parents to be the primary spiritual leaders in their child's life. Our desire at College View is to be a support and aide to you, helping you to transform your kids into life-long disciples of Christ. Awana is an amazing disciple-making tool! We hope that you will utilize it to its fullest, and here are few tips on how to do that.

- Please bring your child to club between 6:15-6:25pm; we will begin promptly at 6:30. Please do not bring your child before 6:15 PM.
- Help your child find a place at home to keep their Handbook and Bible to avoid a weekly "*Where's my Handbook?!*" panic.
- Make sure your child wears his/her uniform to club. Please have them wear long pants and running shoes to minimize Game Time accidents. Game Time is a very active and exciting time, we therefore recommend that dresses, skirts, shorts and boots not be worn on club nights. This is for the safety of each clubber.
- Make sure your child brings their Handbook, dues, and Bible. Also, help them prepare for *Theme Nights*. Points are given for each of these things, as well as Sunday School attendance. Refer to the calendar on pages 14-15 for specific themes.
- Make sure your child has his own Bible. It is not only essential for attaining knowledge and points in Awana, but it is also critical for a life well lived! We can give one if needed.
- Help your child prepare for club each week by spending time at home with them reading and reviewing their Handbook sections and verses.

- Gently remind your child to spend 5-10 minutes each day on verses. Memorizing does not have to be hard work! If a child works on his/her Handbook just 10 minutes each day, they can easily complete their handbook in one year.
- Familiarize yourself with their Handbooks, especially the non-verse sections. Often these sections require more time and home related tasks and activities.
- Contact your child's Director with any questions or concerns. If after talking to the Director your question is not answered, then please contact the Commander.
- All parents are welcome to attend any club, any night, as a visitor with their child.

With your help, your child will have a great year at Awana!

# College View Baptist Church

## Awana Club Calendar

### 2019—2020

August 21, 2019	<b>Kick-Off Night</b>
August 28, 2019	
September 4, 2019	
September 11, 2019	
September 18, 2019	
September 25, 2019	<b>Theme Night—Friend Night</b>
October 2, 2019	
October 9, 2019	<b>Parent Night</b>
October 16, 2019	
October 23, 2019	
October 30, 2019	
November 6, 2019	
November 13, 2019	<b>Theme Night—Camo Night</b>
November 20, 2019	
November 27, 2019	<b>Dismissed</b> — Thanksgiving Break
December 4, 2019	
December 12, 2019	
December 18, 2019	<b>Store Night—Sparks &amp; T&amp;T</b>
December 25, 2019	<b>Dismissed</b> — Christmas Break

#### **Parent Night**

We try to set aside nights to make sure our parents are up to date on what is going on in our Awana Clubs. We would love for you to come to Awana with your kids on Parent Night and follow them for the whole evening if you like.

## Theme Nights

When clubbers participate in a Theme Night, they will earn extra Awana points for their team! Information about each Theme Night will be sent home at least one week in advance. Awana uniforms and closed-toe shoes must still be worn on Theme Nights.

January 1, 2020	<b>Dismissed</b> — Christmas Break
January 8, 2020	Welcome Back To Awana!
January 15, 2020	
January 22, 2020	<b>Theme Night—Crazy Hair Night</b>
January 29, 2020	
February 5, 2020	
February 12, 2020	<b>Theme Night—Sports Night</b>
February 19, 2020	
February 26, 2020	
March 4, 2020	
March 11, 2020	<b>Theme Night—Backwards Night</b>
March 18, 2020	
March 25, 2020	<b>Dismissed — Spring Break</b>
April 1, 2020	
April 8, 2020	
April 15, 2020	
April 22, 2020	<b>Store Night—Sparks &amp; T&amp;T</b>
April 29, 2020	<b>Awards Night &amp; Great Turtle Race</b>

## Awards Night

We end the Awana year with a special program to recognize all our clubbers' achievements for the year. Parents and families are invited to come and join us in encouraging the clubbers on their achievements.

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