



# Parent Handbook 2021-2022



FIVE FORKS  
*Kids*

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# Welcome to AWANA

Thank you for allowing your child to come to AWANA! We trust that they will have a great time, and will want to keep coming regularly all year!

The Bible says, “Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.” (Proverbs 22:6) Realizing that today’s children are confronted with more difficult decisions than ever before, AWANA seeks to establish them on a firm Biblical foundation which will provide direction for their daily lives. Each clubber is very special to us and to God so we want to do our best for them.

AWANA presents an opportunity for your child to establish and grow in their relationship with Christ, and to build relationships with others. You can really help your child in these areas by encouraging them to complete the sections in their handbook and by showing interest in their achievements. Feel free to visit the club meetings any time and to talk with us about any concerns or questions the you may have.

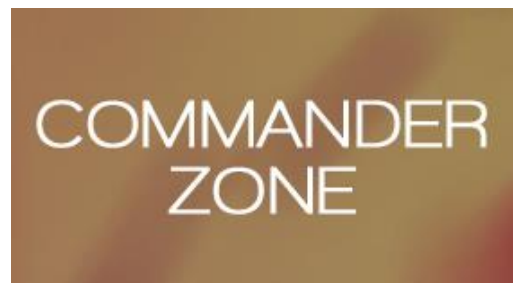
In order to help offset some of the cost of the club we are asking for a **\$20 non-refundable participation fee** for each child. Club will meet on **Sunday evenings at 5:30pm to 6:45pm**.

In place of a carline like last year, kids can walk in to the main building (or be walked in by a parent) through the glass doors in the front where they can check in and then sit with their group in the Sanctuary for the Opening Rally. This is the same place that parents can come to pick their kids up at the end of the night. This is explained in better detail on page 7. In order to allow us enough time to prepare each night we ask that the clubbers not be dropped off before 5:20pm.

We established an email specifically for our AWANA program. The email address is: [awana@fiveforks.org](mailto:awana@fiveforks.org). We will use this email to send out communications, updates, and reminders. Also, if there are any weather closings we will communicate via this email. Also, this is the best way to contact us about the club. Upon registration, we will be asking for information such as phone numbers and addresses as well.

Blessings in Christ,

AWANA Ministry Director



# What is AWANA?

AWANA stands for Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed, based on 2 Timothy 2:15 which reads, “Be a good worker, one who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly explains the Word of truth.” This ministry helps churches and parents work together to develop spiritually strong children and youth who faithfully follow Jesus Christ. The program is based on Scripture learning/ memorization and has become a proven method of building boys and girls into strong leaders in the spreading of the Gospel message.



# How To Work Through the Handbook



(K5- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade)

There are three handbooks that encompass the Sparks program: HangGlider, WingRunner, and SkyStormer.



(3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade)

There are four handbooks that make up the Truth and Training (T&T) program: The Ultimate Adventure books 1 and 2 for the third and fourth grade; The Ultimate Challenge books 1 and 2 are for the fifth grade.

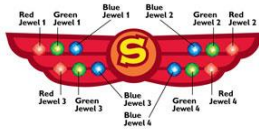


(6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

Our Middle School group will be participating in the TREK program this year. They have their own book that they work through to earn TREK “mileage” points.

## General Instructions

With each book, the clubber will start at the beginning and work their way through. They are not allowed to skip sections. Some sections such as “Bring A Friend” and “Write a Missionary” will be completed in different ways than the book describes due to space constraints and some special missions programs. We strongly encourage parents to help their child memorize the weekly verses. Simply taking 5-10 minutes a day can really make a difference.



# Awards



As your children progress through their handbook, they will earn awards for the verses they have recited and activities that they complete. These awards are listed in their handbook. All awards will be given out each week at the closing rally. Please remember, that the clubber needs to have his/her uniform on to receive the awards.

In addition to the handbook awards, the following awards will be handed out at our Award's Night at the end of the club year.

**Sparky Award:** To earn the Sparky Award, a clubber must finish all three handbooks in the Sparks program.



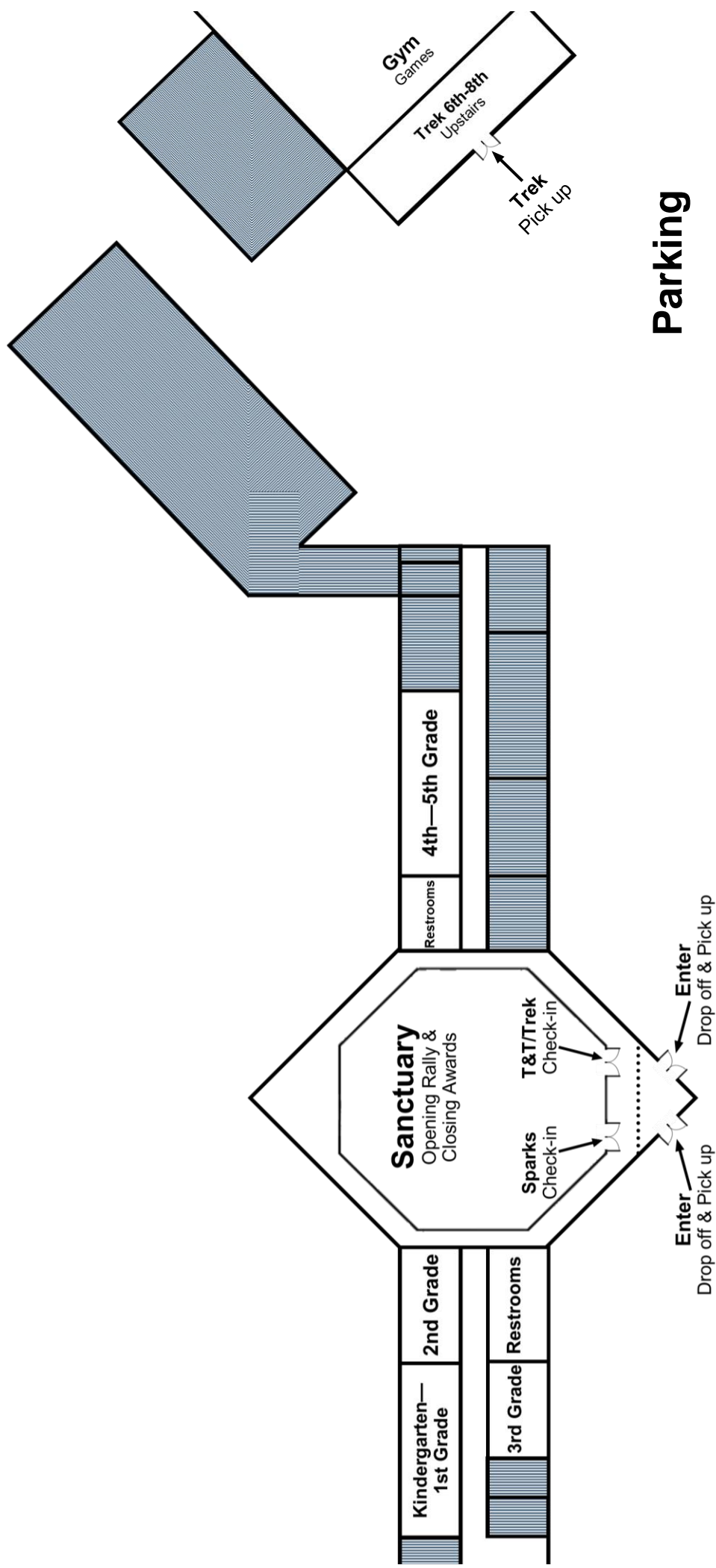
**Excellence Award:** To earn the Excellence Award, a boy or girl must complete two handbooks from T&T and either have completed or are about to complete fourth grade.



**Timothy Award:** To earn the Timothy trophy, a boy or girl must complete four handbooks from T&T and have completed or are about to complete fifth grade.



# Campus Map



# AWANA Weekly Schedule

## Sparks

### K-1<sup>st</sup> Grade:

5:20-5:30	Check-In (Sanctuary)
5:30-5:45	Opening
5:45-6:00	Games (Gym)
6:00-6:10	Snack
6:10-6:25	Handbook
6:25-6:35	Lesson
6:35-6:45	Closing
6:45	Pick-Up (Sanctuary)

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:

5:20-5:30	Check-In (Sanctuary)
5:30-6:45	Opening
5:45-6:00	Games (Gym)
6:00-6:15	Handbook
6:15-6:25	Lesson
6:25-6:35	Snack
6:35-6:45	Closing
6:45	Pick-Up (Sanctuary)

## T&T

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:

5:20-5:30	Check-In (Sanctuary)
5:30-5:45	Opening
5:45-6:00	Handbook
6:00-6:10	Lesson
6:10-6:20	Snack
6:20-6:35	Games (Gym)
6:35-6:45	Closing
6:45	Pick-Up (Sanctuary)

### 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> Grade:

5:20-5:30	Check-In (Sanctuary)
5:30-5:45	Opening
5:45-5:55	Lesson
5:55-6:05	Snack
6:05-6:20	Handbook
6:20-6:35	Games (Gym)
6:35-6:45	Closing
6:45	Pick-Up (Sanctuary)

## Trek – 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> Grade:

5:20-5:30	Check-In (Sanctuary)
5:30-5:45	Opening
5:45-6:00	Lesson
6:00-6:15	Games
6:15-6:25	Snack
6:25-6:45	Handbook
6:45	Pick-Up (Gym)

Lesson, Snack & Handbook times will take place in their Grade Room.  
For exact locations of the rooms mentioned above see page 7.



# 2021-2022 Calendar

Date	Theme Night/Event
September 12 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club (Birthday Night)
September 19 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club
September 26 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club (Crazy Hair Night)
October 3 <sup>rd</sup>	AWANA Club (Birthday Night)
October 10 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club
October 17 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club
October 24 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Store (Costume Night – Nothing scary)
October 31 <sup>st</sup>	No AWANA Meeting for Halloween
November 7 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club (Birthday Night)
November 14 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club
November 21 <sup>st</sup>	AWANA Club (Crazy Sock Night)
November 28 <sup>th</sup>	No AWANA Meeting for Thanksgiving
December 5 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club (Birthday Night)
December 12 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club
December 19 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Christmas Store (Christmas Outfit Night)
December 26 <sup>th</sup>	No AWANA Meeting for Christmas

# 2021-2022 Calendar

Date	Theme Night/Event
January 2 <sup>nd</sup>	No AWANA Meeting for New Years
January 9 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club (Birthday Night)
January 16 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club (Race cars handed out)
January 23 <sup>rd</sup>	AWANA Club
January 30 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club (College Team Night)
February 6 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club (Birthday Night)
February 13 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Store
February 20 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club
February 27 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club (AWANA Colors Night: Blue)
March 6 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club (Birthday Night)
March 13 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club
March 20 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club
March 27 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club (AWANA Colors Night: Green)
April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	AWANA Club (Birthday Night)
April 10 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Store
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	No AWANA Meeting for Easter
April 24 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club (AWANA Colors Night: Red & Yellow)
May 1 <sup>st</sup>	AWANA Club (Birthday Night)
May 8 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club
May 15 <sup>th</sup>	AWANA Club
May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Last night of regular club/ AWANA Store (Neon Night)
May 29 <sup>th</sup>	Closing Program/ Parents Invited

# **AWANA Store Schedule**

We are planning on hosting the store a little differently this year than last year. Instead of the store being open all year long, we are going to only open the store approximately every eight (8) weeks. The store will be open October 24<sup>th</sup>, December 19<sup>th</sup>, February 13<sup>th</sup>, April 10<sup>th</sup>, and May 22<sup>nd</sup>.

On the nights that the store is open we will not have game time. Store will be in the gym. This will help make it so that we are not taking away from time spent teaching God's Word to the children. Please note the dates, so your child will not miss out on store nights. The kids should especially not miss the December store. This could give them an opportunity to purchase some neat gifts for their family. There will also be free gift wrapping at the Christmas store.