

Awana[®] Cubbies!



Christ Community Church Parent Manual 2011 - 2012



Approved Workman Are Not Ashamed
2 Timothy 2:15

Christ Community's AWANA Missions Statement:

The mission of the Christ Community AWANA program is to reach boys, girls, and their families with the Gospel of Christ. We will do this through rigorous scripture memory, recreation activities, and social activities to engage the entire family. We will teach our clubs about the importance of the Great Commission, doing all we can to encourage the children to share their faith with friends and family. It is our desire to reach every boy and girl in the Rochester area and to train them to serve Him.

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Please use a kiosk to check-in your child. One tag will print for the child to wear and a second tag will print for you to use as a claim tag when picking up your clubber. On the claim tag it will list what color group to drop off at. After being dropped off in their color group's homeroom, clubbers rotate to a new room for a new activity every 20 minutes per the schedule below.

Parents can claim their child in the clubber's homeroom at 8:00pm. For safety reasons, only adults with a claim tag are allowed to pick up a clubber.

Room Assignments

	RED	GREEN	BLUE	YELLOW
Home Rm	304	306	308	310
6:35-6:55pm	Handbook/ Craft Rm 306	Storytime Rm 308	Snacktime Rm 310	Playtime Rm 305
6:55-7:15pm	Storytime Rm 308	Snacktime Rm 310	Playtime Rm 305	Handbook/ Craft Rm 306
7:15-7:35pm	Snacktime Rm 310	Playtime Rm 305	Handbook/Craft Rm. 306	Storytime Rm 308
7:35-7:55pm	Playtime Rm 305	Handbook/ Craft Rm 306	Story Time Rm 308	Snacktime Rm 310

Did you know that your clubber's color group matches the color of their name badge? It also corresponds to the colored dot on your child's claim card.

Cubbie's Fast Fact

Motto: Jesus Loves Me!

Cubbies General Guidelines

Encourage your child to wear his/her AWANA uniform and bring their handbook each night. Please be sure your child wears shoes that they can run in during game time.

Drop off and pick up your child in their homeroom.

We will **NOT** allow clubbers to leave unless a parent/adult has come for them (or a written agreement is on file). A claim tag is required.

Awards will be handed out the week following when they are earned. If you have a question regarding an award please talk to your child's Leader or the Cubbies Secretary.

Discipline procedure will be based on a 3-count—warning, sit out, sent home—there is potential to call parents to pick-up a child if the situation is serious enough.

We will make every effort to use positive discipline and encouragement.

Our main form of communication with you will be via notes home—please watch for them!

AWANA is from 6:30—8:00 p.m., please drop off and pick up your children in a timely manner.

There are several fun and helpful resources for families from AWANA. Check out their website at www.awana.org and www.awanafamilyconnection.org

Handbook Guidelines

The Cubbies program is a two year curriculum. In alternating years, we will learn bible lessons from either the Jumper Celebrations or Hopper Celebrations handbook. If your clubber attends Cubbies for three years – we have many that don't go on to Kindergarten (and, therefore, SPARKS) due to late birthdays – he will repeat the handbook from his first year in Cubbies.

Before receiving a handbook, the clubber first completes the Bear Hug Brochure.

- *A clubber completes the Bear Hug Brochure before they receive their Hopper or Jumper handbook. The Bear Hug Brochure's lessons will comprise their first two weeks of AWANA.*

Did You Know?

The 'A' and 'C' on the Cubbies vest correspond to their 'A' and 'C' verses in the Bear Hug Brochure?

'A' Verse: **All** Have Sinned - Romans 3:23

'C' Verse: While we were sinners, **Christ** died for us - Romans 5:8

- *Upon completion of the brochure, clubbers receive their handbook and their vest.*
- *A weekly Bear Hug (lesson) schedule can be found on the inside cover of the handbook.*
- *Please review the scheduled Bear Hug with your clubber and help them memorize the verse for the week.*
- *Talk to your child about what the verses mean and meanings of key words in the week's Bear Hug.*
- *Have a parent initial the Bear Hug once the child can recite the week's verse.*
- *Clubbers must recite the verse by themselves during Handbook time.*
- *Two helps per verse will be given during Handbook time.*
- *Reciting the Bible reference is encouraged.*
- *If you feel the above guidelines need to be altered to fit a clubber's individual needs, please speak to your Director. (Your Director will work with you and the clubber's leader to determine the best modification for the situation.)*

Each week's lesson contains an Apple Tree for extra credit. The clubbers earn an "apple" (a sticker for the tree) for each of the preceding three weeks' verses they still remember!

A fun way to remind them and solidify God's Word in their hearts!

Are you joining AWANA sometime throughout the year?

Your clubber's first two weeks are spent in the Bear Hug Brochure (see *Handbook Guidelines*).

Then they will continue with the Bear Hug scheduled for their third week in Cubbies.

If you and your child desire, we can work on learning the Bear Hugs already covered during the year. This is entirely optional and at your discretion. If you want your child to learn the previous Bear Hugs, we have found that reciting the scheduled Bear Hug and one preceding Bear Hug each week (i.e. BH 13 and BH 1 one week, then BH 14 and BH 2 the next week) works very well. Please let us know if another approach would work better for your child.

Awards and Patches

After completing the Bear Hug Brochure (see *Handbook Guidelines*), the clubbers will receive their vest and handbook.

The Trail patch is awarded upon completion of the second Bear Hug (weekly lesson) in the handbook.

Achievement patches are awarded upon the completion of each 'lamb path' and 'elephant walk' (a section of two or three Bear Hugs) – the patches are awarded the week following completion of the path or walk.

Cubbies Year One (3" stuffed bear to attach to vest) or Year Two (a blue ribbon) Book Awards are awarded at year end.

There is a guide located on the last page of the handbook for patch placement on the vest.

Ways You Can Help!

Consider becoming a volunteer! We can always use more people to listen to clubbers say their verses. Call the Awana Commander or your club director to find out about the many openings!

Sign up to bring a store-purchased snack for ~80 Cubbies.

Register your clubbers BEFORE the first night of club!

Bad Weather

AWANA is canceled if ROCHESTER SCHOOLS are canceled or dismissed early due to inclement weather.

If you should find it unsafe to travel to AWANA for any weather related reason, please do not come.

Please call your clubs director if you have questions regarding this policy.

Cubbies Fast Fact:
Story Time begins each night with the Cubbies Song

We are Awana Cubbies, we're happy all day long.
We know that Jesus loves us! That's why we sing this song.
We hop because we're happy and we jump and shout for joy.
For Jesus is a friend to us.
He loves each girl and boy.

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