



Christ Community Church
Parent Handbook
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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.

Sparks General Guidelines

- * Encourage your child to wear his/her AWANA uniform and bring their Bible and book each night. Please be sure your child wears shoes that they can run in during game time.
- * Check your child in at the kiosks located throughout the church. Drop off your child in the Gym, pick your child up in Room 300. Please use the north door of room 300 for pick-up.
- * We will **NOT** allow clubbers to leave unless a parent has come for them (or a written agreement is on file). Please use your claim card.
- * Awards will be handed out the week following when they are earned, books earned will be given the same night they are earned. If you have a question regarding an award please talk to your child's Leader or the Sparks 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.
- * For Your Reference:
 - Twice a year we have a “Store Night.” This is where kids spend points they have earned throughout the year. Points toward the store may be earned each week as follows:
 - Brining Friend (1st time) - 10 points
 - Bringing same friend (2nd time) - 5 points
 - Completing Section - 10 points each
- * **Helpful note:** If a child is unable to pay for AWANA supplies, scholarships are available—please discuss with the Commander.



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

Curriculum

Handbook (Sparkle) Guidelines

- * The HangGlider, WingRunner and SkyStormer books have almost twice as many pages as the old curriculum (Skipper, Climber and Hiker Handbooks). Quantity of verses is similar but there is more reading for parent and clubber to do for each section.
- * A CD comes with the book. All of the reading sections are on the CD.
- * Bible Biography sections will require participation of parents.
- * Sections (verses) must be recited word perfect
- * You may give up to two helps per section (NO helps when review)
- * References must be given
- * Sections must be completed in one sitting
- * **Please practice sections of their handbook at home and have a parent initial them when they are ready to be heard.**
- * Talk to your child about what the verses mean and meanings of key words.
- * There are two types of jewels in each book: red jewels and green jewels. Clubbers must say all jewel in order—clubbers may not skip around.
- * Blue jewels are awarded for attendance and are given four times a year. The Sparks secretary monitors attendance.
- * A clubbers very first “book” in Sparks is a paper book called Flight 3:16. Upon completion of this book clubbers receive their first book and their vest.
- * There are three Sparks books:
 - ⇒ **HangGlider (for first time attendees of any grade)**
 - Sequence if Kindergarten: do entire book, then review entire book. After completion of review of the entire book, there is a Review Workbook called Frequent Flyer.
 - Sequence for 1st or 2nd Grade: do entire book then move to WingRunner Book.
 - ⇒ **WingRunner (for 1st or 2nd grade)**
 - Sequence if First Grader (HangGlider has been completed): do entire book, then review entire book. After completion of review of the entire book, there is a Review Workbook called Frequent Flyer.
 - Sequence for 2nd Grade: do entire book then move to SkyStormer Book.
 - ⇒ **SkyStormer (2nd Grade)**
 - Sequence for Second Grader (HangGlider and WingRunner has been completed): do entire book, then review entire book. After completion of review of the entire book, there is a Review Workbook called Frequent Flyer.
- * If you have questions regarding when your child can review, what book they should be in, or if they can complete a particular section, please talk to your Director, child's Leader or Club Secretary. Each book also contains instructions to help you determine this information.
- * 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 clubbers leader to determine the best modification for the situation.)

Ways You Can Help!

- * Consider becoming a helper/verse listener! We can always use more people to listen to clubbers say their verses. Call Jeremy Balster at 529-0617 to find out about the many openings!
- * Do a Green Meadow message! Green Meadow Time is the block of time we use for a Bible lesson or Testimony. This could be a one time commitment, or more if you'd like! We have lessons available or you are welcome to use your own materials. You pick a date that fits your schedule!
- * Sparks-A-Rama / AWANA Games—What is it? A team of children from CCC travel to the Twin Cities to compete against other churches with AWANA programs. There is time for the children to play games, they recite scripture in unison, and the gospel message is presented. This is a great opportunity for kids to see other kids from all over MN as well as bring family members that need to hear the Jesus loves them and wants a personal relationship with them!
 - * We would like to find someone to serve as an overall coordinator for each event, as well as a couple coaches and helpers for both boys and girls teams. Training is provided. You need not be involved in AWANA. The commitment would involve attending a coaches clinic (training), organizing at least 3 practices, and attending the event in the Twin Cities.
- * Help with registration. The first night of AWANA always brings in lots of clubbers who are not yet registered. If you are looking for a way to help on a one time basis, the registration table is for you!
- * 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 club's director if you have questions regarding this policy.

