### Dear AWANA Parents and Guardians,

Thank you for allowing us to serve your children through Faith Chapel's AWANA Clubs. We want to help your children develop a confident love for God and others. We aim to provide a fun time of good learning through games, singing, Bible study and memorization, worship and service with group and individual awards and prizes.

# Club Meetings:

All clubs meet from 6:30 to 8pm on Wednesday evenings when the Burlington Public Schools are open. If school is cancelled for bad weather we will not have club. On the rare occasion bad weather begins after school and we need to cancel club we will send a group text through Remind, group email and it will be posted on Faith Chapel's AWANA/T&T Facebook page.

SPARKS Club is for 5K-2nd Grade students.

T&T (Truth and Training) Club is for 3rd-5th Grade Students 6<sup>th</sup> grade students have the option to attend T&T one more year or move on to Foundation or another youth group.

Unfortunately, we have no clubs for preschool or 4-year-old Kindergarten at this time.

# Drop-Off:

Doors open to clubbers at 6:20 for sign-in in the lobby. Clubbers should check-in at the table in the foyer. Then wait in their area in the sanctuary. Visiting with friends and leaders is encouraged. Club starts at 6:30. (Please do not arrive too early. Leaders are not available to supervise children.) \*T&T clubbers who want to have sections signed will have the opportunity from 6:20-6:40 in the sanctuary.

# Pick-Up:

It is our goal to have your children waiting in the lobby by the front doors at 8. We ask that children do not go outside until they are with their adult or the adult waves them out the door.

# Be prepared:

Wear tennis shoes and clothes for activity. Bring your book and Bible each night. Have handbook sections prepared at home.

# Entrance Booklet:

If your child is new to AWANA or moving up to a new club within our program he or she should be bringing home an Entrance Booklet with sections to learn and memorize.

# Registration Dues:

\$25 covers the books, vests, bags, grand prix race cars, and program for the entire year. We have generous supporters who help offset these costs. If your child moves up and finishes a book

there will be no further charge that year. They will be gifted a new book at no additional cost for a job well done. If your child loses a book, vest, or bag and needs to purchase another one those items are \$10 each and would be the parent's responsibility.

### Awards:

We like to encourage great behavior and hard work. Small pieces of candy or sugar free gum are little prizes given almost weekly. Clubbers completing sections in their handbooks will earn awards, which will be passed out several times during the year. In addition, T&T Clubbers (3rd-6th grade) will earn AWANA bucks to spend at our AWANA store.

### Theme Nights:

A yearly AWANA calendar is on the website and will be sent home with your child

### \*New for 3rd – 5th Grades:

AWANA has a wonderful new curriculum for T&T. We are so excited because it allows us to focus on relationships and discipleships or creating greater connections. We'd like all the children to participate. The Large Group Lesson will be followed by a small group time with the same leader each week. The whole group will work together to complete the section and/or memorize the verse. Then children can finish/practice at home during the week. The next week from 6:20- 6:40 we'll have some leaders available to sign if their sections are completed. Because of this we'll encourage all 3rd-5th graders to start a new book. If your child would like to finish a different book they began last year, they will be able to. They will still participate with everyone else. They can prepare that at home and bring it in to be signed.

### Family Involvement:

Your help and/or encouragement in your child's learning and doing handbook sections is much appreciated but not required. It will help your child get more out of our AWANA Clubs if they read their handbooks and practice verses at home. There's a lot of great stuff in the books. SPARKS have CDs that will read the great Bible Biographies to the children. Our goal is for each clubber to pass at least one section each time we meet and ultimately finish a whole book each year. Please ask Mrs. Rowntree or other volunteers for more ideas about how to support your child's growth at home.

### Volunteers:

Our church is blessed to have so many generous people who are willing to help. If your child has a special memory with a volunteer, encourage them to let our AWANA volunteer know by writing them a note or telling them. Their goal is to help your child know they are a loved, child of God. Please contact Kristi Rowntree if you are interested in volunteering. Occasionally we also have volunteers join us from other churches too. If you need something or have a question feel free to send a note, email, text or call Mrs. Rowntree or the Faith Chapel Office.

Thanks for sharing your wonderful children with us!

Wishing you a great, growing year,

Kristi Rowntree for the Faith Chapel AWANA Staff

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