



Handbook

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Welcome to Awana's at PHBC!

On behalf of the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church (PHBC) Awana Ministry Team, we are honored that you will be entrusting your children to us each Wednesday evening. Awana has helped churches and parents worldwide raise children and youth to **know**, **love** and **serve** Christ. Awana is founded on the principle of 2 Timothy 2:15, Approved Workman Are Not Ashamed.

We at PHBC desire above all, to be obedient to the will of God and to always be ready to serve Him. Therefore, the Awana Ministry Team takes our position very serious and will strive to do it with our all as unto the LORD.

Awana has five (5) main principles:

1. Awana is centered on the Gospel.
2. Scripture Memory is Key
3. Awana is exciting and fun.
4. Children are trained to serve.
5. Awana is built on Strong Leadership

Over the year(s) we hope to instill these same concepts, but we also need your help at home. Awana is convinced that the primary and most effective spiritual influence in your child's life is YOU – their parent. As parents, God has given you the primary responsibility to raise your children to know Him and to walk with Him. Throughout the year, each child will have the opportunity to earn patches and pins based on their progress through their handbook and memorizing scripture. If a child is working through their handbooks at home, they will progress faster and reach the goal of completing their handbook within one club year.

Awana provides children with the building blocks for a sound spiritual foundation. The program equips them with the tools to resist the temptations of this world that would otherwise lead them to a life of trouble and sin. God has a better plan for them, and we desire that they know it. (Proverbs 22:6, Jeremiah 29:11).

Your support and prayers to your children and the Awana Ministry is greatly appreciated. We look forward to a great year serving the LORD and teaching your children.

In Christ,
PHBC & Awana Ministry Team

Clubs



Ages 2-3 (must not turn 3 before August 31st)



Ages 3-4 (must turn 3 before August 31st)



Kindergarten - 2nd grade



3rd - 6th grade

Club Nightly Schedule

Club Meetings are on Wednesday nights from 6:45-8:15 PM.

There is special theme nights that will be distributed in the clubber welcome packet each year.

Segments of a Club Night

Each segment will vary from each club during the night.

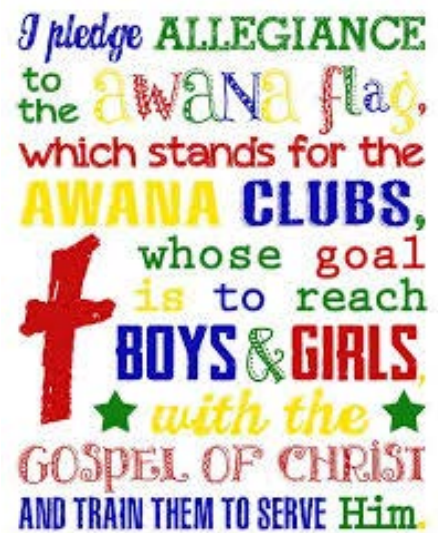
Opening Ceremony – Pledge of Allegiance to American, Christian and Awana Flags and Bible. It is important for the clubbers to be on time for assembly.

Handbook Time - This is when a clubber recites memory verses they have learned to their leaders. Each section is recited in one sitting. Clubbers are only allowed two (2) helps (help = a 1 or 2 word hint) per sections (not verse).

Lesson Time - This is when the Gospel is presented using the Bible. This is also when the plan of salvation is shared with clubbers and they are encouraged to grow spiritually.

Game Time – Fun time for all! They will participate in age level games for fun, this develops good sportsmanship, and working together to succeed.

Closing Ceremony – Upcoming announcements, any special recognition and closing prayer.



I pledge **ALLEGIANCE**
to the **AWANA** flag,
which stands for the
AWANA CLUBS,
whose goal
is to reach
BOYS & GIRLS,
★ *with the* ★
GOSPEL OF CHRIST
AND TRAIN THEM TO SERVE Him.

Uniforms

The Awana vests/shirts lets others know you are a member of an Awana Club. The uniform helps bring unity to our clubs so you, as a clubber, will have an enjoyable time each night and it provides a place to display all of your awards. It is a requirement of the club that you wear your complete uniform at every club meeting and at all club outings.

Club Rules

- The ministry of AWANA is very important and requires proper behavior from every child. This means that you must respect, cooperate and obey your leaders and other staff members.
- All children are expected to participate and complete exercises weekly. They will also be responsible for bringing their Bible, handbooks and wearing their uniforms each week.
- The AWANA discipline system gives a child “3” strikes. After the third strike, the child will be removed from the rest of that night's activities. The parents/guardians will be called to come pick up their child early.
- Also, if uniforms, handbooks, or patches are lost, it will be the responsibility of the parents to replace those items. The church will not be responsible for lost AWANA items.
- If your daughter wears a shirt or dress to Awana, please have her wear a pair of shorts underneath her clothes to ensure her modesty. No high heels or shoes that could scar the gym are allowed.
- Clubbers **must be registered** to participate in our Awana program, except for their first night. Register at www.phbcelkin.com.
- Clubbers must leave the way you came (van, parent, etc.) unless you have a note from your parents. **Notes must be given to your Club Director or Commander.**
- The Awana program starts promptly at 6:45pm and ends promptly at 8:15pm (unless otherwise noted). Please drop off Puggles and Cubbies in their assigned Awana Classroom. Sparks and T&T can be dropped off in the gym. All clubbers are picked up in the car line.

- Car Line: All clubbers will be picked up at the front of The Hill. Van riders will be dismissed first. Puggles and Cubbies can be picked up in front of the building at the end of night versus car line.
- Please make sure your kids have proper shoes and clothes on for game time. When weather and day light permits, we will be playing outside.
- Do not bring toys and or other items that might get damaged or lost. The church is not responsible for any items that are brought from home and lost or misplaced.
- Cancellation Policy: Occasionally, it is necessary to cancel Awana's due to inclement weather. If roads and conditions are safe where we can have Awana's, we will try to meet, even if surrounding schools have closed for the day. If the church cancel's service, then all activities for the evening will be cancelled. Announcements will be placed on the church's social media pages and website.



Illness Policy

In order to help us prevent the spread of illness at our Awana Club, please keep your home if they have:

- Diagnosed with Covid-19, flu or any other sickness that prevents them from being at school or around other children
- A fever (100.4 or higher) or have had a fever in the previous 24 hours. A child should be fever-free without medicine for 24 hours before coming to Awana
- A runny nose in the 24 hours prior to Awana
- A bad cough
- A severely sore throat (even without a fever, this can be strep throat)
- Had diarrhea or vomiting within the last 24 hours
- Pink Eye
- Lice
- If your child just does not feel well

If we learn a child was sick or sent home during the day sick, or child becomes ill during the course of an Awana night, we will contact a parent/guardian or emergency contact for them to come pick up your child.

Thanks for working with us. We want to do our part to keep everyone – both leaders and clubber – healthy. Thank you for your cooperation!

PHBC Other Weekly Services

If your family does not have a home church, we would love for you to join us at Pleasant Hill. Additional information about our church can be found on our website at www.phbcelkin.com.

Sundays:

Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.- for all ages

Worship Service:

Sunday at 10:00 a.m. and 6:30 p.m (first, third and fifth Sunday's only)

Wednesdays:

Worship/Bible Study at 7:00 p.m. in the Church Sanctuary

Awana's and Youth at 6:45 p.m. at The Hill

Nursery is provided for ages birth to 3 years during all Sunday worship services.

Wednesday evening birth to age 2, all other children are encouraged to join your fellow clubbers.



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