

Dear Parent,

Welcome to our AWANA ministry here at TBC! We are very happy to have your child with us. We pray that this will be a year of fun and most importantly, a year of spiritual growth and understanding for your child.

The AWANA program at Triad Baptist Church will be in session throughout the typical school year ... from early September to the last Sunday in May each year (no Awana in December).

**We meet on SUNDAY nights from 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm.** We offer five clubs for children, depending on their current age/grade:



<b>AWANA Clubs</b>	<b><i>Puggles</i></b>	<b><i>Junior Cubbies</i></b>	<b><i>Cubbies</i></b>	<b><i>Sparks</i></b>	<b><i>T&amp;T (Truth in Training)</i></b>
<b>Age/Grade Range</b>	Age TWO (on 9.1.25)	Age THREE (on 9.1.25)	Age FOUR (on 9.1.25) or FIVE but not in Kindergarten	Grades K-2	Grades 3-5
<b>Years in Program</b>	1	1	1-2	3	3
<b>Parent Drop-off and Pick-up Locations</b>	Drop-off and Pick-up: Room A220	Drop-off and Pick-up: Room A218	Drop-off and Pickup: Loft	Drop-off: Preschool Bldg (main floor) Pick-up: Activity Center	Drop-off: Activity Center Pick-up: KS Worship Center

Mid-Year Promotion - Clubbers WILL NOT promote up or enter a new club during the Awana year. This applies to ALL clubs, including Puggles. **The “magic” date is September 1, 2025.** Whatever age the child is on that day (for younger clubs) or whatever grade the child is in (for older clubs) will dictate which club they will be in throughout the entire Awana year.

Parents are encouraged to order their child's **AWANA uniform** and **handbook** as soon as possible. These items will belong to the clubber, and will have to be reordered if misplaced. An **optional “club” bag** can also be purchased at this time.

If your child is new to AWANA, he or she will receive a fun introductory club brochure. After completing these brochure requirements (over the first couple of weeks), the child will be presented his or her uniform and handbook, so parents should be sure to place the uniform and handbook order ASAP, to allow time for these items to arrive (and be presented).

Each week clubbers are required: to be in uniform, bring their Bible (if your child does not have one, please let their leader know) and bring their club brochure or handbook.

**Sunday, September 7th is our KICKOFF NIGHT!** At this time, we will provide you with a calendar for the upcoming AWANA year. Please note the special “Theme Nights” and the AWANA Special Events on this calendar.

There are a few things that you can do to help our program run more smoothly. Please help us with the following:

- ☞ Have your child here between 4:45 pm (not any earlier than that) and 4:55 pm.
- ☞ Make sure your child has had a bathroom break **BEFORE** check-in.
- ☞ Pick up your child between 6:30 and 6:40 pm. Please do not pick up any later than 6:45 pm.
- ☞ Encourage your child to participate in Theme Nights and Special Events.
- ☞ Mark each AWANA club meeting on the family calendar.
- ☞ Help your child work on verse memorization. 5-10 minutes several times a week is a great investment to help your child succeed.



In our Kids Street Children’s Ministry here at Triad, we utilize *Checkpoint*, an automated security check-in system designed to ensure the safety of each child that enters our doors. Basically, as parents, you are required to “check-in” your child (infant through fifth grade) at a kiosk before dropping them off at their classroom. The child then wears the identification sticker during their entire stay with us. For security purposes, the parent must show their parent badge (which must match the child’s identification sticker) to be allowed to pick up their child. Need more information? Just stop by the Kids Street Welcome Center!

Thank you in advance for your assistance and once again, we are excited to have your child in AWANA this year. If you have any questions concerning a club or just in general, please do not hesitate to contact any of the following:

**AWANA CLUB DIRECTORS:**

Puggles (Age 2 on 9.1.25)	Paulette Tilley	(336) 813-4892	pstilley@novanthealth.org
Junior Cubbies (Age 3 on 9.1.25)	Pam Knippenberg	(865) 809-7006	pknippen@gmail.com
Cubbies (Age 4 on 9.1.25 - PreK)	Heather Osborne	(336) 577-6787	hosb1003@gmail.com
Sparks (Grades K-2)	Charles McPeak	(336) 971-8825	cmcpeak@triad.rr.com
T & T (Grades 3-5)	Kim Hunter	(336) 813-4725	snoopylvr@aol.com

**AWANA ADMINISTRATION:**

Games Director	Jeff Chandler	(336) 456-8457	jeff.chandler@tbcnow.org
General Secretary	Adria Denny	(919) 760-3964	adriapharmd@gmail.com
Commander / Children’s Pastor	“Mr. Tim” Gerber	(336) 287-6221	tim.gerber@tbcnow.org

**WELLNESS POLICY**

As we all know, sickness can keep going around with children, affecting not only the other children in your child’s Awana group, but your family and other families as the illness goes “back and forth” between the children. Here is our established health policy for our Awana ministry.

**Children SHOULD NOT attend Awana if they have any of the following symptoms:**

- Fever – 100 degrees or higher within the last 24-hours (non-medicated)
- Vomiting within the last 24 hours
- Diarrhea within the last 24 hours
- Runny nose if accompanied by other symptoms and/or colored discharge
- Bad Cough – coughing increases the chance of infection being spread to others
- Any rash that is suspected to be contagious
- If your child is prescribed an antibiotic, they must have been on the antibiotic for a minimum of 48 hours prior to attending Awana.
- In addition, please adhere to all CDC policy concerning Covid.



Thanks so much for your adherence to this wellness policy. If you have any questions concerning this policy, please don’t hesitate to ask for more details.

“Mr. Tim” Gerber  
TBC Awana Commander 2025-2026



## Hey, kids ... Wanna have some real fun as you learn God's Word??

AWANA is a Bible-based, Christ-centered program for children. The word AWANA stands for *Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed* and comes from 2 Timothy 2:15, "Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

The goal of AWANA is to reach boys and girls with the gospel of Christ, and to train them to serve Him. It is a great honor to serve God in this way and to lead children to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

The Triad Baptist Church AWANA program runs from September through May (except for the month of December) and we meet on Sunday nights from 5:00 PM to 6:30 PM. Check us out online for both a nightly schedule and an annual calendar ... [www.tbcnow.org/awana](http://www.tbcnow.org/awana).

We create a fun and exciting atmosphere to learn in by dividing our meetings into three segments:

- ◆ Handbook Time: Small group interaction and completion of Bible-based lessons
- ◆ Game Time: Age-appropriate games on the AWANA game circle
- ◆ Council Time: Singing, Bible teaching, the gospel message and award presentations



### PUGGLES/CUBBIES: AGE 2 TO PRE-K



In Puggles/Cubbies, your child will be involved in activities that encourage real learning. The program provides a solid foundation for faith, based on God's Word. And it's fun, too! Puggles/Cubbies participate in prayer and a Bible story, activity sheets, have visits from puppets, make crafts, sing songs, and play non-competitive games.

The Puggles/Cubbies earn patches for their uniform by completing *Bear Hugs*. Each *Bear Hug* includes Scripture memorization and parent-child activities. The activities in club meetings each week are coordinated with the Bible truths he or she learns at home. Different learning levels offer options that keep learning exciting and fun!



Throughout the year, the Puggles/Cubbies learn the gospel using two letters and two key verses:

"A"	Romans 3:23	"All have sinned, and come short of the glory of God."
"C"	Romans 5:8	"While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

### SPARKIES: GRADES K-2



SPARKS is the AWANA club designed for children in kindergarten through second grade and builds on the material taught in the preschool club, Cubbies. The aim of the program is to take this age group a step deeper into God's Word, while giving unsaved boys and girls opportunities to hear the gospel and come to faith in Jesus Christ.

Sparky, the friendly firefly, encourages boys and girls to learn verses and complete handbook assignments.

Each handbook is firmly grounded in Scripture and features:

- ◆ Basic truths about God, Jesus Christ, salvation and the Bible
- ◆ Increased emphasis on Scripture memory, focusing on salvation and key Christian doctrine
- ◆ Clear and consistent presentation of the gospel message

### TRUTH AND TRAINING (T&T): GRADES 3-5

All third through fifth graders are AWANA T&T clubbers. Our goal is to teach these older children the truth of God's Word and train them to serve Him in their daily lives.

Each clubber begins with the Start Zone booklet. We want them to know what it means to trust Christ as their Lord and Savior so it explains salvation to the children on their first night at club.

God's Word says, "Even a child is known by his doings" (Proverbs 20:11). We believe that once a clubber has trusted Jesus Christ as their Savior, he or she is able to serve Christ immediately. The handbooks include requirements that focus on serving others that help them develop this attitude.

Once a clubber completes the Start Zone Booklet, he or she is eligible to purchase the first handbook from *The Ultimate Adventure Series*. During their T&T experience, clubbers will progress through three handbooks at their own pace.

Clubbers receive an award badge with places to mark the completion of each handbook segment. In addition to these regular sections, there are extra-credit sections (with special awards) throughout the handbooks. Clubbers will also receive a book completion patch to wear on their uniforms as each is completed.



**REGISTRATION IS UNDERWAY ... SO JOIN OUR AWANA CLUB TODAY!!**

# Nightly AWANA Club Schedule

## 2025-2026 Year

Puggles	Jr Cubbies	Cubbies	Sparks	T&T
Age 2 (on 9-1-25)	Age 3 (on 9-1-25)	Age 4 (on 9-1-25) - PreK	Grades K-2	Grades 3-5

4:45	Staff in place	Staff in place	Staff in place	Staff in place	Staff in place	4:45
◆	Parents Drop off (A220)  Registration/Prelim's	Parents Drop off (A218)  Registration/Prelim's	Parents Drop off (Loft)  Registration/Prelim's	Parents Drop off (Preschool Building)  Registration/Prelim's	Parents Drop off (Activity Center)  Registration/Prelim's	◆
5:00	Club "Intro" Time	Club "Intro" Time	Club "Intro" Time	Handbook Time (Children's Bldg.)	Game Time (Activity Center)	5:00
5:10	"Cubby Time" w Songs/Puppet (Kids Street Worship Center)					5:10
5:30	Game Time (Activity Center)		Class Time (Loft)	Council Time (Kids Street Worship Center)	Handbook Time (Children's Bldg.)	5:30
5:45	Lesson Time (A220)	Playground	Game Time (Activity Center)			5:45
6:00	Playground		Lesson Time (Loft)	Game Time (Activity Center)	Council Time (Kids Street Worship Center)	6:00
6:15		Lesson Time (A218)				6:15
6:30	Parents Pick up (A220)	Parents Pick up (A218)	Parents Pick up (Loft)	Parents Pick up (Activity Center)	Parents Pick up (KS Worship Center)	6:30

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# 2025-2026 AWANA Calendar - Triad Baptist Church

(Updated 9.4.25)

September 2025	
7	KICKOFF TO OUR AWANA YEAR!!
14	"SCHOOL SPIRIT" NIGHT
21	"SNOW CONE" NIGHT
28	"BRING A FRIEND" NIGHT

January 2026	
4	"NINJA WARRIOR" NIGHT
11	"BRING YOUR BOARD GAME" NIGHT
18	"NEON-NEON" NIGHT
25	"WACKY TACKY / CRAZY HAIR" NIGHT

October 2025	
5	THGIN "SDRAWKCAB" (BACKWARDS NIGHT)
12	"AROUND THE WORLD" NIGHT
<del>19</del>	NO AWANA (Family FallFest)
26	"VOTE ON MYSTERY THEME" NIGHT (3/29/25)

February 2026	
1	"MEET PASTOR ROBI" NIGHT
8	"SOUP-ER BOWL" NIGHT (4:00-5:30 PM)
15	"WILD, WILD WEST!" NIGHT
22	"CAREER" NIGHT

November 2025	
2	"HAYRIDE" NIGHT
9	"FILL-A-SHOEBOX" NIGHT
16	"PAJAMA" NIGHT
<del>23</del>	NO AWANA (Churchwide Thanksgiving Meal)
30	NO AWANA (Thanksgiving Weekend)

March 2026	
1	"POCKET SCAVENGER" NIGHT
8	"MARCH MADNESS" NIGHT
15	"COOL HAT" NIGHT
22	"OLD TIMERS" NIGHT
29	"MYSTERY THEME" NIGHT

December 2025	
<del>7</del>	No AWANA during December (Christmas Break)
<del>14</del>	
<del>21</del>	
<del>28</del>	

April 2026	
<del>5</del>	NO AWANA - EASTER
12	"COMMUNITY HERO" NIGHT
18	SAT - Grand Prix Workshop - Act Ctr (9-11am)
19	"MINUTE TO WIN IT" NIGHT
25	SAT - GP Car Regist/Workshop - AC (9am-Noon)
26	AWANA GRAND PRIX RACE DAY! (5:00-7:00 PM)

Special Notes:

The times for each Sunday night club meeting, including Theme Nights (Sept-May), will be from 5:00-6:30 PM, except for FEBRUARY 8TH (Soup-er Bowl Night), when everything is one hour earlier ... 4:00-5:30 PM.

Please make sure your child wears his or her AWANA uniform and brings his or her handbook to each club night.

Dates and Theme Nights are subject to change. We will distribute any updated information to your child on upcoming Sundays. You may also find current/updated information on our website ([www.tbctnow.org/awana](http://www.tbctnow.org/awana)).

May 2026	
3	"GET WET" NIGHT
<del>10</del>	NO AWANA (Mother's Day)
17	AWANA AWARDS NIGHT (KSWC)

SEE DETAILS ON THEME NIGHTS ON BACK SIDE OF THIS PAGE

## 2025-2026 AWANA YEAR ... THEME NIGHT INFORMATION

SEPT 7th ... "Kickoff" Night

SEPT 14th ... "School Spirit" Night - Show off your school pride by wearing something that represents the school you attend—whether it's a shirt, hat, hoodie, or even school colors! From homeschool to public or private school, we want to celebrate all the amazing places our clubbers and leaders come from. Let's see that spirit shine!

SEPT 21st ... "Snow Cone" Night - Clubbers and leaders are invited to cool off and enjoy a sweet treat as we celebrate the start of a new AWANA year with delicious snow cones. It's the perfect way to chill out and have some fun together—don't miss it!

SEPT 28th ... "Bring A Friend" Night - This is a great night to invite those friends from school, your neighborhood or even your sports team ... to come out and experience all the fun and excitement that AWANA has to offer!

OCT 5th ... thgiN "sdrawkcaB" (or "Backwards" Night) - This is the night to do things really backwards. Wear your hat backwards. Play games backwards. Walk backwards. You might even do some other things backwards on this night, too??

Oct 12th ... "Around the World" Night - Come dressed in the colors or apparel of different countries and cultures to show support for our church Missions program. Pray for all our missionaries "around the world!"

OCT 19th ... NO AWANA / Family FallFest - A church-wide & community family event with Trunk or Treat, Food, Music, Bouncers, & more. (This event takes the place of our normal Awana Schedule). No other church events this night, so Awana clubbers and leaders are free to get involved and help in this church-wide event.

OCT 26th ... "Vote On Mystery Theme" Night - Write out and submit your own idea for an Awana Theme night we've never had before. We just might select yours for our "Mystery Theme" Night on March 30th! Come on ... we know you can be creative ... give us your best idea for a theme night!!!

NOV 2nd ... "Hayride" Night - All clubbers should get the chance to enjoy a hayride through the property on this night!

NOV 9th ... "Fill a Shoebox" Night - Clubbers can bring complete shoeboxes and/or items to go in shoeboxes for our annual Operation Christmas Child, Samaritan's Purse project. You can pick up information and empty boxes around the church campus.

NOV 16th ... "Pajama" Night - Time for bed!?! Clubbers are encouraged to come ready for bed with their PJs!!! Just stay awake during Awana, please! ☺

JAN 4th ... "Ninja Warrior" Night - Come join us for some "pumped up" fun... literally. Competition based games using inflatables and other fun challenges!

JAN 11th ... "Bring Your Board Game" Night - Candyland? Monopoly? Trouble? Chess?..This is the night to bring your FAVORITE Board or Card Game to Awana to play with all your friends during game time!!!...Feel free to bring more than one, just make sure you put your name on it!!!

JAN 18th ... "Neon-Neon" Night - It's time to light up the night ... literally! Come to AWANA glowing in your brightest neon gear from head to toe. Think neon shirts, socks, hats, glow sticks, sunglasses, etc. If it's bright, bold, and glowing, wear it! The more NEON, the better. Let's see who can stand out the most!

JAN 25th ... "Wacky Tacky / Crazy Hair" Night - How wacky and how tacky can you look?? Mismatched clothes ... shoes on wrong feet or even different shoes ... Gotta have some crazy hair to top off all of the Wacky Tackiness!!! We'll all enjoy a night filled with laughter!

FEB 1st ... "Meet Pastor Rob!" Night - This is the night that our TBC Lead Pastor swings by to visit all of our Awana classes! Join us for Pastor Rob's annual visit to large group time for an exciting message just for your club!

FEB 8th ... "Soup-er Bowl" Night - Bring a can (or more) of soup for the Winston-Salem Rescue Mission and also wear your favorite NFL team jersey. (Tonight's program operates ONE HOUR EARLY, from 4:00-5:30 PM.)

FEB 15th ... "Wild, Wild West" Night - Come dressed up in western-style "garb". Let's see those boots, cowboy hats and blue jeans! Please ... leave all 6-shooters at home! That's firearms for you city-slickers.

FEB 22nd ... "Career Night" - What do you want to be when you grow up? A firefighter? Doctor? Chef? Athlete? Pastor? Tonight's your chance to dress up like your future dream job! Be creative and come ready to show off your big ideas. We can't wait to see what you'll be someday!

MAR 1st ... "Pocket Scavenger" Night - How many items can you stuff in your pockets before you come to club this night?? During game time, we will award points to teams that have certain items they can bring to the Game Director first (ex: Chapstick = 50 points, rubber band = 25 points, toothpick, etc.)

MAR 8th ... "March Madness" Night - Since this is the week of the ACC basketball tournament, wear stuff to let EVERYONE know who you're pulling for!!!

MAR 15th ... "Cool Hat" Night - This is the night to wear and show off your favorite hat! Cowboy, baseball, silly, or classy - big or small, tall or tiny - if it fits, it's perfect. Hats on, fun ahead!

MAR 22nd... "Old Timers" Night - Clubbers (and even leaders) are invited to come dressed up as old women/men. (And please, NO references to Mr. Tim - LOL!)

MAR 29th ... "Mystery Theme Night" - Stay tuned for more info on this night. (This night's theme will be determined based on your votes from October 27th.)

APR 12th ... "Community Hero" Night - This is the night we show honor to many of the real-life heroes all around us. Come dressed as one of many "community heroes", like police officers, firemen, military personnel, first responders, medical teams, etc.

APR 19th ... "Minute To Win It" Night - Don't miss out on some cool games to challenge your agility, balance and coordination. To practice... stack Cheerios on your nose!

APR 26th ... AWANA GRAND PRIX - This exciting annual race for all clubbers, leaders and really ANYONE is something you DON'T want to miss! Purchase your kit and get your car built for this exciting race night. With great competition in both speed and design divisions, this night is sure to be a blast!!!

MAY 3rd ... "Get Wet" Night - Be prepared to do some crazy water games during game time, as the older clubs meet outside for their activity!

MAY 17th ... AWANA AWARDS NIGHT - Gather with us in the Kids Street Worship Center for a special evening of celebration! We'll look back on a great year in Awana, cheer for our clubbers, and recognize them with the awards they've faithfully earned through Scripture memory, hard work, and commitment. It's a night to honor their effort and give thanks for all God has done!

\*You can always find the current Awana Calendar online at - [www.tbcnow.org/awana](http://www.tbcnow.org/awana)

\*Check us out ... Our Kids Street ministry information and activity calendar is also online at - [www.tbcnow.org/kids-street](http://www.tbcnow.org/kids-street)