

Dear Parents,

We would like to invite your child to AWANA at Lima Baptist Temple.

If you are returning, we have **highlighted changes** in the handbook.

We are anticipating an amazing year for the children and pray that they will love being with their friends as they learn God's Word and discover practical applications. Through the curriculum your child will grow closer to God and learn how to serve Him. We are ready to encourage your child in their study and memorization of God's Word.

## Please pre-register your child at limabaptisttemple.org.

We are excited to see you soon!

Connie Callahan-Cubbies Director Shelley Zwiebel-Co Leader (K-5<sup>th</sup>) Lora Szuch-Co Leader (K-5th) Jenna Beougher-Children's Director

#### **AWANA Groups:**

**Cubbies:** 3-4 year olds (please start when they are 2 years prior to attending Kindergarten) Cubbies celebrate the spiritual potential of preschoolers by helping them develop respect for God, his Son, and his Word.

#### **Sparks**: Kindergarten-2nd grade

Sparks ignites the curiosity of early elementary-age kids to learn about the people and events of the Bible, building a foundation of wisdom for knowing Christ.

#### Truth and Training (T&T): 3rd - 5th grade

T&T engages kids by answering their questions about God and the Bible, guiding them through this pivotal life stage to grow in Christ's grace.

#### Drop off/Pick up/Security

A parent or guardian must check-in and check-out kids at the designated area each week. All kids wear a security tag with their name and emergency phone number.

## \*\*\*\*THE DOORS OPEN/CHECK-IN STARTS AT 6:15. Please do not drop your child off until then.

AWANA ends at 8:00pm. Each AWANA leader has completed a background check. All leaders will be wearing nametags and volunteer shirts to help easily identify them.

## Cubbies, Sparks & TnT are located in the back building.

## **Nightly Schedule**

Cubbies	Sparks	Truth and Training
6:15 – 6:30 Check In	6:15 – 6:30 Check In	6:15 – 6:30 Check In
6:30-7:15 Pledges/Puppets/Bible Story	6:30 – 7:00 Handbook Time	6:30 – 7:00 Gym
7:15-7:45 Craft/Game	7:00-7:30 Bible Story/Gym Time	7:00-7:30 Bible Story/Handbook Time
7:45-8:00 Awards when announced	7:30-8:00 Gym Time/Bible Story	7:30-8:00 Handbook Time/ Bible Story
8:00 – Pickup	8:00 – Pickup	8:00 – Pickup

## All about AWANA:

At the beginning of the club year kids will be given an entrance booklet of general information and material to be memorized. <u>Once they have passed the requirements of this</u> booklet, they will earn an AWANA bag and a handbook. You can expect this on the third week <u>attending.</u>

• Handbook Time/Small Groups are when the kids recite the sections they have learned to their leaders. It is also a wonderful opportunity for leaders to teach the kids the meaning of the verses they have memorized.



**\*\*ALL KIDS** will do the "all together method" where your child will be assigned a table teacher. This setting allows for discipleship, relationships, and scripture teaching.

If you miss a week, you can catch up at home!

• Large Group Time is when the kids hear a Bible story from God's Word.





• Game Time is a fun time to develop good sportsmanship and teamwork.



#### Awards

• In AWANA your child can earn awards throughout the club year. If a child completes a section, they will receive their award the <u>NEXT week</u> during large group time in front of their class. Cubbies have award nights throughout the year for parents to attend at the end of the class.

## AWANA Uniforms/Drawstring Bags

- Cubbies will earn a vest after attending three times and apples to iron on for completing verses.
- \*NEW\* Sparks will earn a drawstring bag after attending three times and earn jewels for completing verses.
- TnT will be earning a drawstring bag after attending three times and earn star pins to add to their bag for completing verses.



## Responsibilities

- Bring your Handbook and AWANA drawstring bag.
- Wear your uniform (Cubbies)/bring your bag and participate in our fun theme nights!
- Pass sections (Scripture memory and activities) in your handbook.
- Participate at game time.

## \*\*NEW\*\* Reward System (K-5<sup>th</sup> grade ONLY)

- You will receive a Punch Card for completing verses/TnT Bible Study sections.
  - These will be kept with their teacher at AWANA.
  - After completing "10 punches" they may go to the "AWANA Shop" when it is open.



# Stay connected!

- We have Class Dojo!
- We upload announcements, reminders, and photos after every Wednesday night!
- Here is our class link.
  - o <u>https://www.classdojo.com/invite/?c=CND3F79</u>



Our heartbeat at AWANA is "Teaching Tiny Disciples" to know God and how to have a relationship with Him.

