## 2023-2024



# Living Water of La Pine AWANA Clubs Parent Guide

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Any child between 2yrs old- 6<sup>th</sup> grade may be registered throughout the Awana Year. The ages are grouped as follows:

Puggles/Cubbies: Ages 2-5

Sparks: Grades Kindergarten-2<sup>nd</sup>

T&T: Grades 3rd-6th

#### **Registration and Cost**

Registration will begin on 9/27/23. The cost per child is \$30 for the entire year. This includes this year's book, uniform, and all awards. Payments can be made upon registration or broken up into smaller payments throughout the year. We never want cost to be an issue that a child is not able to participate in AWANA, please see your child's leader or the AWANA secretary if financial assistance is needed.

#### **General Information**

Club nights are on Wednesday evenings from 6:30pm-8pm. Check-in will begin at 6:15pm. All age groups will participate in the following activity rotations:

Welcome/Prayer/Opening Ceremony

Game Time

Small Group Time (Handbook time)

Large Group Time (Council Time)

Worship/Awards/Announcements/Closing

Themed nights will take place once a month. Please see your calendar (last page) for more information. There will also be a few special events throughout the year such as Trunk or Treat and the Grand Prix.

#### **AWANA Store**

Throughout club night, your child will have the opportunity to earn "Awana Bucks" as an incentive for good behavior, working hard in their handbooks, participating in games, etc... At least twice in the club year we will hold an "AWANA Store" that will have items available for purchase with their Awana bucks. Please note that on the store night in December we will have a protocol in place that requires the clubbers to purchase something for someone else first. In the past years, we have noticed that the clubbers very much enjoy buying for siblings, parents, grandparents, or friends with their own "money".

#### **Parent Involvement**

We are sincerely honored that you allow us the opportunity to minister to your children through this wonderful program. You are an integral part of ministry, even if you are not physically present during this club. We encourage any parents who desire to do so to stay. A few ways we encourage your participation at home:

**Prayer**: Pray for your clubber as they attend club meetings that the verses they learn, the conversations they have, and the lessons they learn will resonate with them. Pray for the leaders working with your children.

**Practice:** Sit down with your children and go through the lesson with them at home. Help them practice their verses.

**Prepare:** Have your children arrive promptly to start our club on time. Please have them remember their handbooks, uniform and Bible. It is also important to wear athletic shoes so they can safely participate in game time.

#### **Club Safety**

As mentioned above, we will have a fun and engaging time of games and activities. Please have your children dressed appropriately with athletic shoes that will allow for running activities.

We ask that each child be checked into club by a parent or legal guardian. Older siblings may not check in or check out for their younger siblings. Following check-in the clubber will then go to their classroom until club starts.

Following the closing song, the clubbers will be dismissed to their classrooms. Each clubber will need to be checked out of club by a parent, legal guardian, or other specified adult. The leaders will have a sign out page that will require a signature.

We ask that you leave a child home from club if they have experienced the following symptoms within 24 hours of club: fever, vomiting, stomach ache, diarrhea, "bad" cough, discolored nasal mucus, or rash. Please also leave a child home if they have had recent exposure (within 3 days) of anyone diagnosed with the Coronavirus. If you have any questions about symptoms, please reach out to your child's leader or call the church office. We appreciate all efforts taken to keep clubbers and leaders and their families safe and healthy. Also note, illnesses are excused and will not affect any awards based off attendance.

#### Discipline

The AWANA organization has recommended a 5 and 3 count system which will be implemented at Living Water. The Five Count: A leader at any time can initiate a 5-count to bring calm to a group which may be getting out of hand and/or not listening. The leader will count down slowly from "5". By the time the leader gets to "1" it is expected that all activity and chatter will cease. This allows the leader to continue or initiate communication that was being hindered.

The Three Count: We understand that children are going to misbehave. In an attempt to be fair but still maintain order, a child who is misbehaving will be giving a "1". This will be promptly followed up by a discussion so that they are aware of why they received a "1". We want to foster an environment of growth and give every opportunity for the child to correct their behavior and continue to enjoy club night. If the behavior continues after a "1", the child is given a "2". This will be followed by a discussion outside of the classroom/game room with the Leader, Club Director, Ministry Director, or AWANA secretary. If the behavior still continues, the child will be given a "3". This count is followed by parental notification to come pick up.

We ask the following of all clubbers:
Please keep hands to yourself.
Be obedient to AWANA leadership.
When you speak to others be respectful. Hateful speech/words will not be tolerated.
Contact Information:
Director:
Leader:
Ministry Director/Senior Pastor:
Dr James Hofman

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### Living Water AWANA Schedule for 2023-2024



September 2023
27 Club Starts

31 Regular Meeting

February 2024
7 Regular Night
14 Regular Night
21 MisMatch Night (Dress in mismatched
clothing/socks/shoes/hair accessories, etc)
28 Regular Night
March 2024
6 Regular Night
13 Regular Night
20 Regular Night
23 Grand Prix @ Living Water Church
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