



PAHRUMP
COMMUNITY
CHURCH



2024-2025

Parent Handbook

Welcome to Awana!

In this booklet, you will find information about what Awana is, what we do, what is expected of you, etc. Please be sure to read through the whole booklet so you know of any changes from previous years.

Awana is a wonderful way for children to learn more about Jesus and grow in their relationship with Him. Awana's purpose is to *reach boys and girls with the Gospel of Christ and train them to serve Him*. It is through Jesus' life, death, and resurrection that we are reconciled to God.

We are thankful to be a part of your child's spiritual development, but we are only a part of their instruction. Parents are commanded by the Lord to train up a child in the way he/she should go, so that when they are older they won't depart from it (PROVERBS 22:6).

Because this is a team effort, we would love to have you join us whenever you would like. For the safety of all our Awana clubbers, there are official procedures for this (visitor's badges for first-timers, and completion of a background check for those who would like to be involved on a regular basis). If you'd like to help each week, we'd love to have you talk to us about being a leader!

You are an incredibly valuable part of Awana. Our desire is to partner with you in the discipleship of your child. That being said, we expect you to

- *Encourage your clubber's regular involvement in Awana.*
- *Model for your clubber faithfulness to a local church body and Sunday School.*
- *Work with your clubber to complete sections in the official Awana workbook(s).*
- *Celebrate hard work and achievements.*

All of our Awana leaders are born again by God's glorious grace. Each of them has committed to helping our clubbers know, love, and serve the Lord Jesus Christ.

Whether it's helping boys and girls apply what they've learned to the fun of Game Time, memorize and apply God's Word in Handbook Time, or grow in their knowledge of God through the Bible teaching of Counsel Time, we're excited for what God has in store for this club year!

In His service,

Pastor Keith & Kim Walker – Awana Commanders

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Club Rules

The club rules are designed with your child's safety in mind.

Your assistance in adhering to these few rules will greatly improve the safety of your child and all our clubbers.

- Each clubber must cooperate with and obey all leaders.
- Each clubber must remain on church grounds during club hours (except for *Trek* or *Journey* outings).
- Each clubber must stay with his/her group from arrival until departure.
- No clubber should run or play in any of the buildings unless otherwise directed.
- Each clubber must participate in every portion of the club meeting unless injured or providing a note from a parent or guardian.
- Parents or guardians of *Cubbies*, *Sparks*, and *T&T* must sign their children out **no later than 7:45PM**. No one under 18 years of age is allowed to pick up children.

Clubber Dress Code

We desire your child to be happy and healthy every week.

Since we strive for the education and safety of each clubber, we do require adherence to a dress code.

- Once qualified to wear it, all clubbers should wear the official Awana uniform every club night. It must be worn in the proper manner and with the proper awards displayed. (Note: Without a uniform, clubbers will be ineligible to receive awards.)
- Long sleeve shirts or sweaters can be worn under the club uniform/shirt.
- Long pants are recommended. If your girl wears a dress or a skirt, her leader can choose to keep her out of certain games if appropriate.
- Tennis shoes or soft-soled tennis-like shoes must be worn. For safety reasons, those wearing sandals, only socks, or going barefoot likely will not be allowed during game time.

5-Count Discipline

Awana's approach to crowd-control is known as the **five count**. When a leader needs the clubbers' attention, he or she will hold up five fingers and audibly count from one to five. By the count of five, we expect all clubbers to be quiet with their hands to themselves and to be paying full attention to the adult in charge. If a clubber does not respond to the five count, his/her leader will proceed to what is known as the **three count**.

3-Count Discipline

If a problem arises in a clubber's conduct, behavior, attitude, etc., and every effort has been made to correct it, we will begin the **three count**.

One Count

This is a warning given by the leader to the clubber.

Two Count

If the clubber does not respond to the warning, he/she will be taken to the Director who will issue the **two count**. When a clubber receives the **two count**, he/she will sit out the rest of the club night.

Three Count

The clubber is taken to the Commander who will decide, based on the seriousness of the issue, whether or not to call the parent/guardian and have the child taken home. If a clubber receives the **three count** and is excused from club, he/she is automatically suspended from club for one week. The Commander will then dialogue with the parents to reach a resolution to the issue.

Minimizing Distractions

We have found stuffed animals/dolls/robots/toys/shapes to be distractions to our clubbers in years past. We request that clubbers leave these at home.

Digital devices (phones/mp3 players/tablets) have proven to be distractions to our clubbers. With the exception of texting parents/guardians, we request that clubbers put these away after 5:45 and until the end of club.

Miscellaneous Issues

We do our best to stay consistent from club year to club year. To aid us in this and to have prepared answers for recurring questions, we have a handful of single-page policies for your perusal should you desire. Let's let summaries suffice here:

Regarding Bringing Friends

Sometimes it's tricky to know who to bring to club. Though it's easier to skip this section in your book, that's not the spirit! We have some specifics to lend clarity to this requirement.

Regarding Handbook Work Outside of Club

Our preference is that clubbers recite sections to be signed off on Awana nights. There are extenuating circumstances addressed in this policy.

Regarding *Discipleship Camp* Requirements (& Scholarship Fundraising)

Anyone wishing to go to *Discipleship Camp* should be familiar with the contents of the *PCC Awana Scholarship Requirements* policy. There will be a meeting addressing specific requirements. The date will be announced once our Awana year is firmly in swing.

Regarding Church Attendance

As stated in the *PCC Awana Scholarship Requirements* policy, attendance at PCC's weekly worship services is required for any PCC Scholarship for *Discipleship Camp*.

We don't have a separate policy for this, but clubbers will be assigned a club based on their current school grade. Any exceptions will need to be run through the Awana Commander.

In addition to the costs for materials, **each year we ask for \$15.00 for dues**. This will help offset the cost of awards we purchase. We don't believe this price is oppressive, but we are glad to talk to families who aren't sure they can afford our club. We don't want anyone to be kept from being a part of our family!



Preschool (3 & 4 Year-Olds)

Directors – Chailyn Hall & Bridget Harvey

- Each Cubbie will need to say verses by him/herself to receive credit.
- Each Cubbie may receive one or two helps.
- Cubbies must say verses and references together.
- In longer sections, Cubbies must say the verses in the order they appear.



Kindergarten – 2nd Grade

Director – Diana Hill

- Each Spark will need to say a section's verses in order by him/herself to receive credit.
- Each Spark may receive one or two helps.
- Red Jewels: Except for the *Bring a Friend* section, these sections must be completed in consecutive order.
- Green Jewels: These sections may be completed in any order, but sections *within* the jewels must be done consecutively.



3rd – 6th Grade

Director – Cody McKee

- Each clubber must pass each section in a single sitting.
- Each clubber may receive no more than two helps per section.
- Each clubber must recite references and verses.
- Each clubber must complete all section activities.



7th & 8th Grade

Director – Stephen Pitman

- Each clubber must read the Scripture passages every week and complete the accompanying questions.
- Each clubber must recite all verses in a section in a single sitting.
- Each clubber must read and summarize the yearly required books of the Bible according to the Two-Year plan.
- Clubbers should see the Trek Director for instructions regarding required Bible Summary assignments.



High School

Directors – Colton & Rachel Hall

- Each clubber must complete all portions of the lesson and the questions each week.
- Each clubber must read and summarize the yearly required books of the Bible.
- Clubbers should see the Journey Directors for instructions regarding summaries.
- Clubbers must complete the “Citation Requirements” as listed in the back of their books.



Leadership

Senior Pastor – D. Keith Walker

Assistant Pastor – Scott Fronk

Awana Commanders – D. Keith & Kim Walker

Awana Secretary – Karen Crispell

Awana Missionary – Jeff Gilpin

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Costs & Fees



<i>Bear Hug Brochure</i>	Free, then \$0.25
Handbook.....	\$15.00
Vest.....	\$14.00
Bag (Optional).....	\$7.00



<i>Flight 3:16</i>	Free, then \$0.25
Handbook.....	\$15.00
Vest.....	\$14.00
Bag (Optional).....	\$7.00



<i>Start Zone</i>	Free, then \$0.25
Handbook.....	\$15.00
Shirt.....	\$19.00
Backpack (Optional).....	\$16.00

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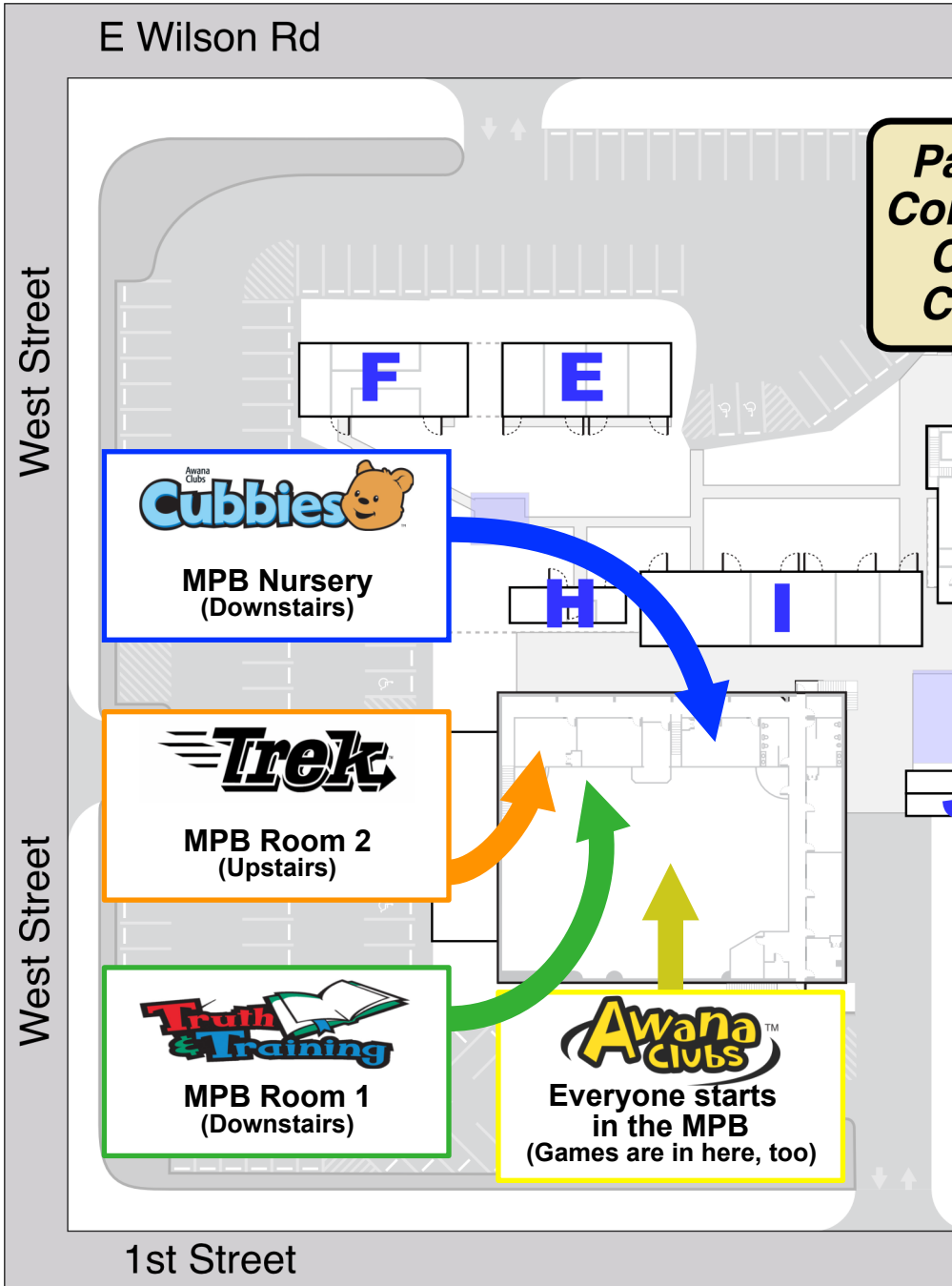
<i>Trek Check</i>	Free, then \$0.25
Handbook.....	\$16.00
T-shirt.....	\$18.00
Backpack (Optional).....	\$16.00



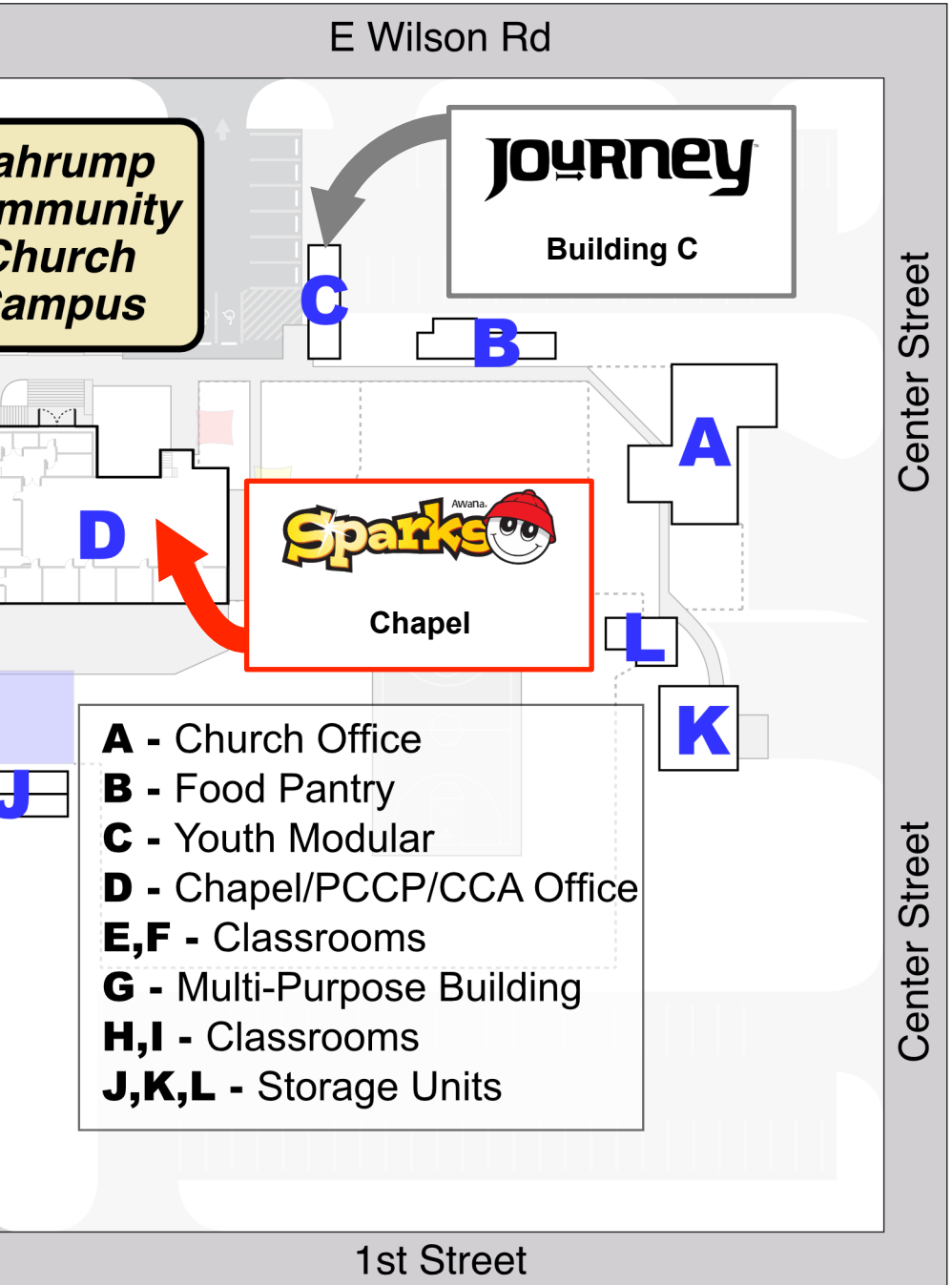
<i>Faith's Foundations</i>	Free, then \$0.25
Handbook.....	\$22.00
T-shirt.....	\$20.00
Backpack (Optional).....	\$16.00

Each clubber should have a uniform and handbook. We ask that each family pay its fees as early in the year as possible. We recognize that not all families can afford these costs. Please see the Awana Commander if the financial component of our Awana club is an issue for you. We don't want anyone to feel they can't fully be a part of Awana.

PCC Cam



Campus Map



Book Awards

The Sparky Award

For completion of *all three* Sparks handbooks



The Excellence Award

For completion of *any two* 3rd - 12th Grade handbooks



The Challenge Award

For completion of *any three* 3rd - 12th Grade handbooks

There are currently thirty-nine colleges offering scholarships for the *Citation Award* ranging from \$1,000 to \$12,000. Some of the colleges

Book Awards



The Timothy Award

For completion of *any four* 3rd - 12th Grade handbooks

The Meritorious Award

For completion of *any six* 3rd - 12th Grade handbooks. Clubber must be graduating (or have graduated) the 8th grade to receive this award.



The Citation Award

Is the highest honor bestowed in Awana. Only high school seniors and adults who have completed ten 3rd - 12th Grade handbooks and all the activities required can receive this award.



also offer scholarships for the *Timothy* and *Meritorious Awards*. Check out awanaym.org/scholarships for more information.

Our Pledges

The Pledge to the American Flag

I pledge allegiance to the flag
Of the United States of America
And to the republic for which it stands
One nation, under God, indivisible
With liberty and justice for all.

The Pledge to the Awana Flag

I pledge allegiance to the Awana flag
Which stands for the Awana clubs,
Whose goal is to reach boys and girls
With the Gospel of Christ,
And train them to serve Him.

The Pledge to the Bible

I pledge allegiance to the Bible,
God's Holy Word.
I will make it a lamp to my feet
And a light to my path.
I will hide its words in my heart
That I might not sin against God.

The Awana Theme Song

Firmly Awana stands, led by the Lord's commands.

“Approved workmen are not ashamed.”

Boys and girls for His service claimed!

Hail! Awana! On the march for youth.

Hail! Awana! Holding forth the truth.

Building lives on the Word of God Awana stands!

Our Savior following with steps unfaltering,
and love unaltering, His praise we sing.

His banner over us, in service glorious,
we'll fight victorious for Christ our King!

YOUTH ON THE MARCH!

