



Dear Parents:

Welcome to our Awana Program here at Munising Baptist Church. We are very excited and feel privileged to have your child participate in our Awana Program! Awana is a Christian club for children that teaches the Word of God through games, Bible study, memorization, and a motivational award system. We want to help you, as a parent, give your child tools to develop spiritually, intellectually, and physically.

We offer clubs for:

Cubbies: Boys and Girls, pre-K

Sparks: Boys and Girls, K through 2nd grades

T&T: Boys and Girls, 3rd through 6th grades

Club time runs from 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm with check-in starting at 6:15 pm. Children will check-in at the table located in the hall near the secretary's desk. All clubbers (Cubbies, Sparks and T&T) must be picked up by their parent/guardian or someone authorized by the parent/guardian. Parents should be ready to pick up their child promptly at 8:00 pm. In fact, we encourage parents to come to the last 10 minutes of club to see our awards for the night.

Each weekly club meeting has three main components: Large Group Time, Small Group Time, and Game Time. During Large Group Time, your child will be exposed to messages from God's Word and will participate in praise and worship of our Creator. During Small Group Time, leaders work with a smaller group of clubbers assisting them in memorizing Bible verses and other learning activities. Your child will begin to gain a valuable understanding of spiritual truths in this way. They will earn awards for passing sections in the handbook, which should motivate further achievement. During Game Time, your child will enjoy the active Awana games, uniquely created around the Awana Game Circle.

On night one, your child will receive an "Entrance Booklet". Please look over the "Entrance Booklet" with your child. Your involvement and interest will help your child to complete the booklet, and it will ensure your child's success in the Awana Program. Children in the Awana

Program receive awards for their efforts. Upon completion of the "Entrance Booklet" your child will become eligible for official membership in the Awana Club and receive their uniform and handbook.

While our facilities and equipment are supplied by the church, each clubber is asked to pay annual dues of \$10. This will *not* cover the cost of the handbook or uniform, however it does encourage a sense of ownership in the program and teaches the clubbers responsibility and good stewardship. If the clubber loses their uniform or book, they will need to purchase a new one. Those costs will not be included in annual dues. If money is an issue, please come speak to me or Beth Norton, and we will find someone to sponsor your child. We do not want money to be the reason you decide not to allow your child to participate!

We are thankful to you for allowing us to spend this time with your child each week in our Awana Clubs. We have as our hearts' desire to love your child and to teach them about the Lord Jesus.

Also, if you do not have a church home, we invite you to visit our church. We have Sunday School Classes that begin at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday mornings with classes for all ages. There are also two Sunday worship services; one at 10:15 a.m. and the other at 6:00 p.m. On Wednesdays, there is a men's and a women's Bible Study held at 6:30pm as well as a youth program for our older kids (7th-12th grades). We invite you to come as a visitor and leave as a friend.

Please review the attached Awana Club Rules to make sure your child will be prepared to get the most out of their participation in Awana. Thank you for your interest and cooperation. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call.

In His Service,

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GENERAL AWANA RULES

1. All clubs will start promptly at 6:30 p.m. Clubbers should arrive at 6:15 p.m. to allow plenty of time to check-in with the secretary and make it to opening ceremony. All clubs will dismiss at 8:00 p.m.
2. Each clubber will be eligible for a uniform after completion of the "Entrance Booklet." Once obtained, each clubber should wear their Awana uniform at all times during each club night (we understand that theme nights may be an exception). The uniform serves many purposes. It bonds the group, it provides a place to display the awards earned, and it distinguishes the clubs.
3. Clubbers should not bring food, drinks, gum, toys, or phones to club. If your child brings such items, they may be held for your child during club and returned to them after club is over.
4. The "Entrance Booklet" or Handbook should be brought to club each night, even if the child does not have a section to pass. Each verse/verses in the "Entrance Booklet" or Handbook must be passed in one setting with only 2 "helps" from their Leader. Clubbers should bring their Bible to each club night as well.
5. Your child should come to Handbook Time prepared to recite verse/verses from their "Entrance Booklet" or Handbook. This will require them to prepare for just a few minutes a night to be ready for club.
6. Club dues of \$10 annually should be brought by the third club night. If money is an issue, please come speak to Joe or Beth Norton, and we will find someone to sponsor your child. We do not want money to be the reason you decide not to allow your child to participate!
7. Each clubber should wear long pants and tennis shoes. This is to ensure safety during game time.
8. Parent/Guardian or Authorized Representatives are to pick up their child, unless other arrangements have been made. Please let your child's Leader or the club Secretary know if someone other than those listed on the registration will be picking up your child.