



# Parent Handbook 2020-2021



FIVE FORKS  
*Kids*

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# Welcome to AWANA

Thank you for allowing your child to come to AWANA! We trust that they will have a great time, and will want to keep coming regularly all year!

The Bible says, “Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.” (Proverbs 22:6) Realizing that today’s children are confronted with more difficult decisions than ever before, AWANA seeks to establish them on a firm Biblical foundation which will provide direction for their daily lives. Each clubber is very special to us and to God so we want to do our best for them.

AWANA presents an opportunity for your child to establish and grow in their relationship with Christ, and to build relationships with others. You can really help your child in these areas by encouraging them to complete the sections in their handbook and by showing interest in their achievements. Feel free to visit the club meetings any time and to talk with us about any concerns or questions the you may have.

In order to help offset some of the cost of the club we are asking for a \$20 non-refundable participation fee for each child. Club will meet on Sunday evenings at 5:30pm.

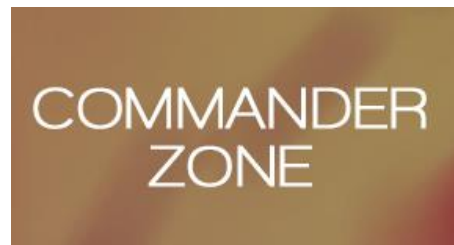
We will use a car line for both drop-off and pick-up this year. This is explained in better detail on page 8. In order to allow us enough time to prepare each night we ask that the clubbers not be dropped off before 5:20pm. We have some other changes due to the Covid virus that are better explained on page 4.

We established an email specifically for our AWANA program. The email address is: [awana@fiveforks.org](mailto:awana@fiveforks.org). We will use this email to send out communications, updates, and reminders. Also, if there are any weather closings we will communicate via this email. Also, this is the best way to contact us about the club. We will use the Remind App as well for those that prefer it. We will email you the registration info for this app. We will be asking for information such as phone numbers and addresses as well. We found some of the contact information lacking and this made it difficult to contact many of the families when we had to modify how we were hosting the club due to the Covid virus outbreak last year. Therefore, your assistance with the requested information is most appreciated.

Please also read the next page carefully and let me know if you have any questions.

Your servant in Christ,

Rev. Paul S. Madak  
AWANA Ministry Director



# Child Safety & Covid Update

Here at Five Forks Baptist Church we want to take every measure to ensure the safety of the children within our ministries. Every group of children must be accompanied by at least two members of the church that have been members for six months, as well as have completed a background check. Also, all volunteers must have a completed background check. We also utilize various systems to ensure that each child goes home with a person that is approved by their parent or guardian.

Due to Covid-19 we have made several changes to the AWANA program this year. First and foremost we will not host a Cubbie group which is the pre-school age.

For everyone's safety related to Covid we have implemented the following policies:

- All children must be pre-registered prior to attending.
- All children must have a signed "Covid-19 Acknowledgment" waiver signed by a parent or legal guardian prior to attending.
- Temperatures will be taken at the car line during drop off and must be under 100 degrees for entrance.
- Your child should not attend club if any of the following is true:
  - Your child is experiencing any symptoms of the Covid illness. These symptoms include but are not limited to cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fever, chills, repeated shaking with chills, muscle pain, headache, sore throat, or a new loss of taste or smell.
  - Your child has traveled internationally in the past 14 days.
  - You believe your child has been exposed to someone with a suspected and/or confirmed case of the virus.
  - Your child has been diagnosed with the virus.

We will be practicing social distancing. We will provide a buff to each child at the beginning of the year that can be used at times when social distancing is impractical. If there is a medical reason why your child is unable to wear a face mask, we request that you provide appropriate documentation.

These policies are subject to change. If there are changes we will notify you via the clubs email.

# What is AWANA?

AWANA stands for Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed, based on 2 Timothy 2:15 which reads, “Be a good worker, one who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly explains the Word of truth.” This ministry helps churches and parents work together to develop spiritually strong children and youth who faithfully follow Jesus Christ. The program is based on Scripture learning/ memorization and has become a proven method of building boys and girls into strong leaders in the spreading of the Gospel message.



# How To Work Through the Handbook



(K5- 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade)

There are three handbooks that encompass the Sparks program: HangGlider, WingRunner, and SkyStormer.



(3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> Grade)

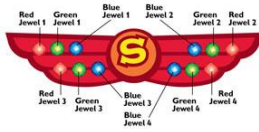
There are four handbooks that make up the Truth in Training program: The Ultimate Adventure books 1 and 2 for the third and fourth grade; The Ultimate Challenge books 1 and 2 are for the fifth and sixth grade.



This is a new part of our AWANA program. Our Jr. High group will be participating in the TREK program this year.

## General Instructions

With each book, the clubber will start at the beginning and work their way through. They must complete all sections to be considered as completing their book. Some sections such as “Bring A Friend” and “Write a Missionary” will be completed in different ways than the book describes due to space constraints and some special missions programs. We strongly encourage parents to help their child memorize the weekly verses. Simply taking 5-10 minutes a day can really make a difference.



# Awards



As your children progress through their handbook, they will earn awards for the verses they have recited and activities that they complete. These awards are listed in their handbook. All awards will be given out each week at the closing rally. Please remember, that the clubber needs to have his/her uniform on to receive the awards.

In addition to the handbook awards, the following awards will be handed out at our Award's Night at the end of the club year.

**Sparky Award:** To earn the Sparky Award, a clubber must finish all three handbooks in the Sparks program.



**Excellence Award:** To earn the Excellence Award, a boy or girl must complete two handbooks from T&T and either have completed or are about to complete fourth grade.



**Timothy Award:** To earn the Timothy trophy, a boy or girl must complete four handbooks from T&T and have completed or are about to complete fifth grade.



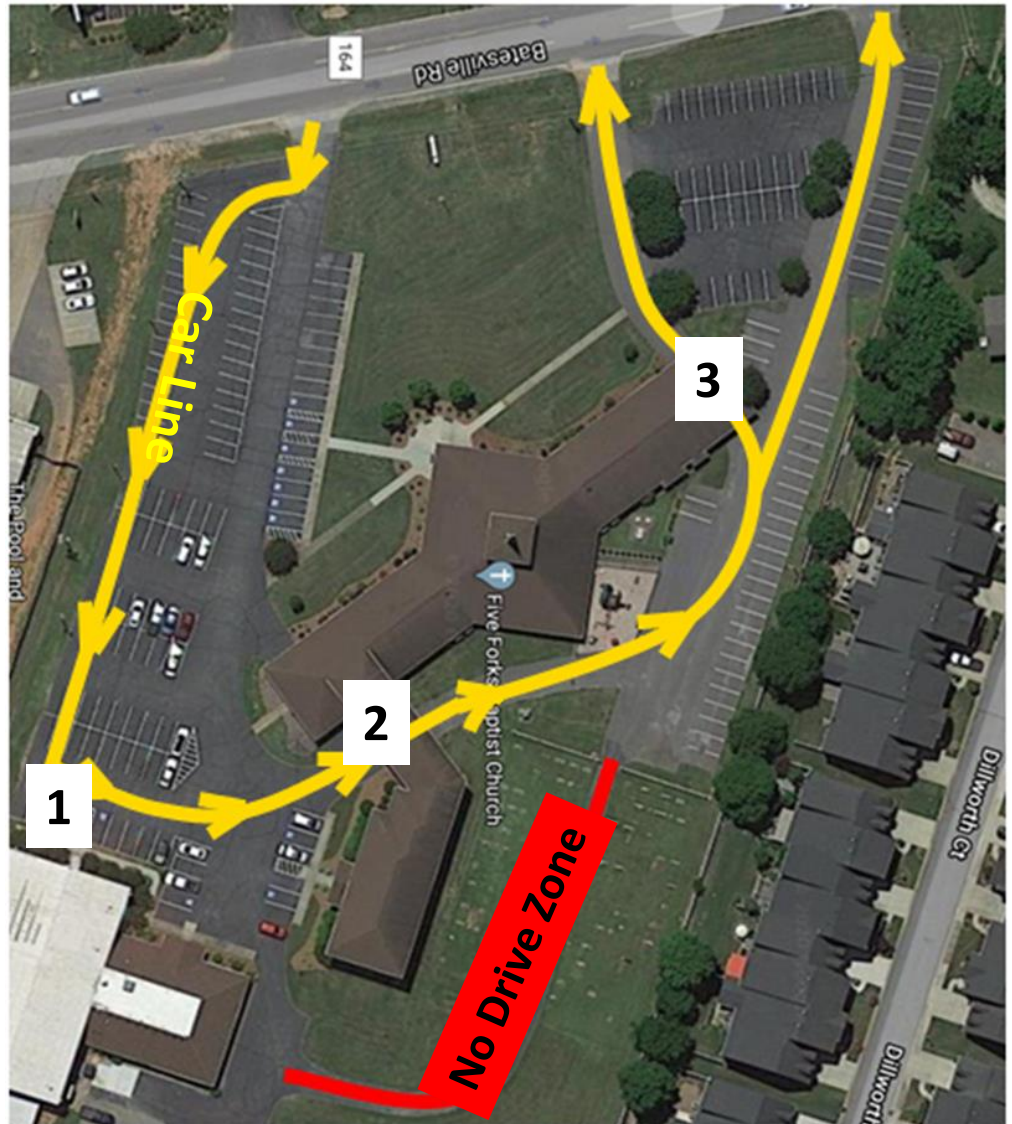


# Campus Map

Drop off and pick up will be by a car line. Take note that your child's drop off and pick up areas will not be the same. We are requesting parents to remain in their cars for the entire carline. If there are any changes we will let you know via

you know via [awana@fiveforks.org](mailto:awana@fiveforks.org)

This will assist with the social distancing on campus each night.



## Key - Drop off

- 1- Trek Drop off
- 2 -T&T Drop off
- 3- Sparks Drop off

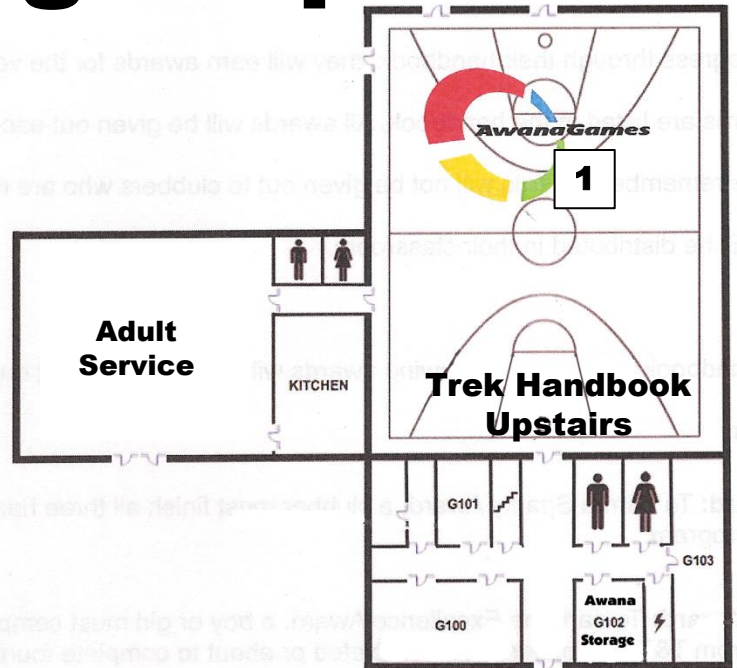
## Key - Pick up

- 1- Sparks Pick up
- 2 -Trek Pick up
- 3 - T&T Pick up



# Building Map

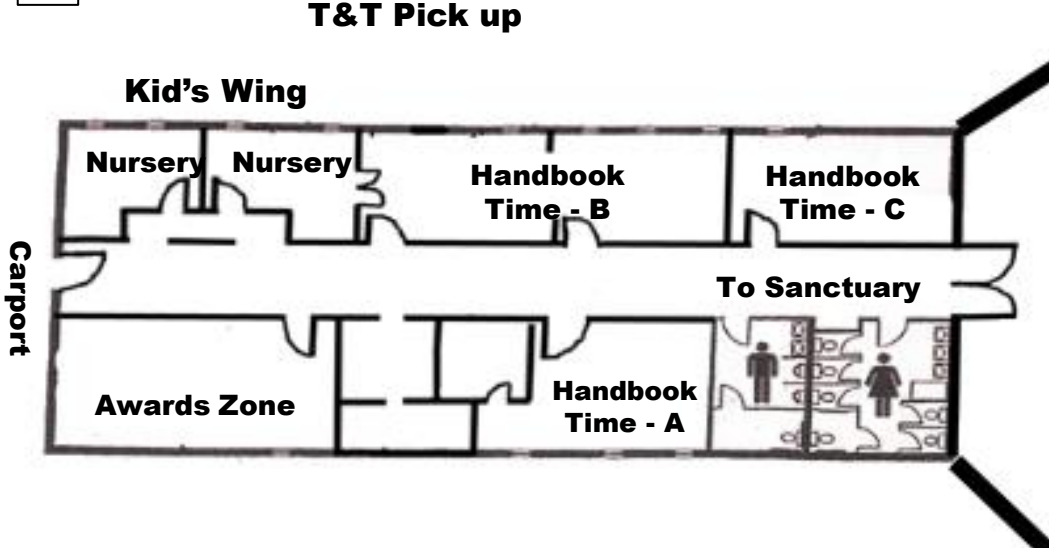
**1** Gym – Trek Drop-off  
Sparks Pick up



**Recreational Building**

**Youth Room – Trek Handbook**

**3** Kid's Wing – Sparks Drop-off  
T&T Pick up



**2** Sanctuary – T&T Drop-off  
Trek Pick up

# AWANA Weekly Schedule

	Sparks K5-2nd	T&T 3rd -5th	Trek
5:20-5:30	Check in	Check in	Check in
5:30-6:00	Handbook	Praise	Game
6:00-6:30	Praise	Game	Handbook
6:30-7:00	Game	Handbook	Praise
7:00-7:15	Car line	Car line	Car line



For exact locations of the rooms mentioned above see page 8 & 9.