



Dear Parents/Guardians,

First of all, last year was awesome I am so excited for this year! AWANA continues to be a great opportunity for us to encourage kids in God's Word! As we get back to AWANA this year, here are a few things to be aware of.

1. AWANA Clubs will run from **6pm-7:30pm**. Please make every effort to get here, check in your child, and get them to their classroom BEFORE 6PM. Doors will open at 5:40pm. Children cannot be dropped off in their classrooms prior to 5:45 pm.
2. Please pick up your child on time as well. We love that there is time for fellowship after Wednesday clubs. However, please pick up the children first, then visit!
3. Be sure your child wears their uniform and BRINGS THEIR HANDBOOK! So often, kids show up without their handbook and this makes it very challenging to manage without it!
4. We strongly urge that kids wear gym shoes. It's hard to run around the game circle in flip-flops or snow boots.
5. Help your child participate in "Theme Nights" and "Generosity Nights". We will have theme nights on the 4th Wednesday of each month and a prize will be given for the best dressed! This is always a fun time for the kids. Generosity nights will be on the 2nd Wednesday of each month and is a way for kids to give back!
6. Working with your child just 10 minutes a day will help your kids immensely in their studies. That's what we want to be about as a church; being in God's Word daily. Complete the Parent Pages in the Handbooks and sign them as you help your child progress through their Handbooks.
7. Help your child learn the material in the Handbook Sections. This is one of the single most important things you can do! Remember - *we do not teach the handbook sections at club*. Children come to club prepared to recite the material in the section. When a child arrives at club without any preparation, it can be discouraging to them and they are less likely to earn awards.
8. **CONSIDER SERVING!** We need quality leaders who are willing to step up and serve weekly. What better way to serve than teaching our young ones God's Word. It is super easy to serve and mostly requires listening to kids as they recite their scriptures. If you are willing, please fill email me at zclark@mbcyakima.com
9. Sign-up for text alerts for AWANA updates by texting AWANA to 484848. This will keep you informed if there are weather cancelations or other important news to be aware of.
10. Pray for AWANA Leaders and kids!

I look forward to a wonderful year of our kids growing in the Lord and His Word!

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P.S. **September 6th** parents and kids can drop by our Open House Night between **6pm-7:30pm** to pick up ordered materials and enjoy some ice cream! Please plan dropping by! It will make the first night on September 13 much easier!