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## 2025-2026 AWANA Club Year



## Parent Handbook

First Baptist Church of Crofton  
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Crofton, Md. 21114  
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Cubbies celebrate the spiritual potential of Preschoolers (3-5 year olds) by helping them develop respect for God, His Son and His Word. Cubbies helps you lead your child to God early so your child will respect and trust Him for life. Cubbies enjoy story time, arts and crafts, snacks, puppets, exciting music and games, and their Cubbie friends. They learn about God, the greatness of His love and His Word, and about His Son, Jesus Christ, the promised Savior.

The Cubbies curriculum features two handbooks written in a fun, storybook style with read aloud stories and lovable characters that appeal to preschoolers. The Appleseed and Honeycomb handbooks combine basic Scripture memory with parent-child activities to help Cubbies grasp simple biblical truths.

Preschoolers love their uniform vests where they can proudly display their trail emblems and bright red and green apple emblems. Cubbies also receive a confetti-filled ribbon to take home once they complete each handbook.



Sparks ignites the curiosity of early elementary-age kids to learn about the people and events of the Bible, building a foundation of wisdom for knowing Christ. To many children, Sparks is the highlight of the week! They love their red vests, the exciting games and spending time with other clubbers and their leaders. Sparks is divided into 3 years, each with a unique rank: HangGlider, WingRunner, and SkyStormer. Clubbers explore the biographies of people of the bible, memorize verses, learn about missions and missionaries, and complete activities in their handbooks. Earning awards to display of their vests.

#### **Cubbies Leaders**

Linda Hackley

#### **Sparks Leaders**

Tom & Lisa Terenyi, Rob Sharo

#### **TNT Leaders**

Ginny Perry & Mary Ellen Overmier

#### **Game Leader**

Mary Ellen Overmier

#### **AWANA Director**

Ginny Perry

#### **Our AWANA Program**

Our club is open to the community at no cost to participants. Handbooks, uniforms, and bibles are provided at no cost. We meet each Sunday from 4:30 – 6:30 pm. New members are always welcome to join.

For more information please feel free to contact the church or the AWANA Director. More information is provided on the churches website [www.fbccrofton.org](http://www.fbccrofton.org)

Church phone number is **410-721-2790**

#### **Our AWANA motto**

##### **2 Timothy 2:15**

Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workmen that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

Outreach is important to show kids they can help others not as fortunate as them.



### Earning Awana Points

- ✚ Clubber awarded 1 point for arriving on time to club.
- ✚ Clubber awarded 1 point for wearing uniform.
- ✚ Clubber is awarded 1 point each for bringing bible & handbook.
- ✚ Participation in theme night 1 point
- ✚ Finishing a handbook section or reciting review verse a club member is awarded 1 point.
- ✚ Participation in theme nights – 5 points
- ✚ Bringing a new friend to club 5 points
- ✚ For TNT clubbers completing a gold section 15 points



T&T (Truth & Training) engage third through sixth graders by answering their questions about God and the Bible, guiding them through this pivotal life stage to grow in Christ's grace. Handbooks and large group lessons deepen a child's knowledge about God and His Word and teach how to put that knowledge into action in everyday life.

T&T Ultimate Adventure(third – fourth graders), and the T&T Ultimate Challenge(fifth thru sixth graders) are designed to help kids stay plugged into T&T as they move into the preteen years and continue growing in their relationship with God.

Today 10 to 12 year olds, known as tweens, face unique pressures, demands, and distractions. These factors can result in a marked increase in discouragement, apathy and disengagement. Christian children are not immune.

AWANA has responded by updating T&T to reinforce commitment, identity and community for these kids and to give 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> graders a new club stage to anticipate. These updates also focus the attention of leaders on the unique challenges and needs of this age group. The ultimate message to kids of every age group is that nothing is more important than their relationship with Christ and following His way of living in the Scriptures.



Our program teaches children to participate in community outreach through a variety of opportunities. Those mission opportunities in Crofton Food Pantry, Operation Christmas Child, and the Lighthouse Homeless shelter. This allows them to see though they are small they can make a difference.

### **Crofton Food Pantry**

Kids can participate by bringing in canned goods for the Crofton Food pantry. We sponsor a “Souper Sunday Night” right before the Super bowl. We make this fun by allowing them to pick the team they think will win by placing their cans on their team’s side of the table.

### **Lighthouse Homeless Shelter**

Kids have the opportunity to bring socks, hats, and gloves for those being helped by Lighthouse.



### **Operation Christmas Child**

Our kids participate in the operation Christmas Child program too. Since 1993, more than 100 million boys and girls in over 130 countries have experienced God’s love through the power of simple shoebox gifts from operation Christmas Child. Samaritan’s Purse works with local churches and ministry partners to deliver the gifts and share the life-changing Good News of Jesus Christ. Our clubbers participate by collecting items and packing boxes. All packed with Love.

Parents play a key role in their child’s spiritual development. Use the parent’s ideas section in each handbook to help your child understand the biographies and see how they fit in the Bible.

## **First Baptist of Crofton AWANA Club**

Month	Day	Theme Night
September	28	AWANA Kickoff & Registration Party
October	5	Bring a school supply for OCCC
	12	Goofy Hat Night
	19	Bring a Toy for OCC
	26	Goofy Glasses Night
November	2	Bring items for OCC
	9	Shoe Box Packing Night
	16	Bring Favorite Stuffed Animal Night
	23	<b>Wear your Awana Colors Night Double Point Night</b>
	30	<b>Thanksgiving break -No AWANA</b>
December	7	Dots & Stripes Night
	14	Inside Out Night
	21	Pajama Night
	28	<b>Christmas Break - No AWANA</b>
January	4	Crazy Hair Night
	11	Favorite Bible Character
	18	<b>MLK Observance - No AWANA</b>
	25	Bring Gloves & Hats for Homeless Shelter
February	1	Souper Sunday Night (Bring can of soup to vote for your Super Bowl team to win – items donated to food pantry)
	8	<b>Super Bowl - No AWANA</b>
	15	<b>President’s day break - No AWANA</b>
	22	<b>Bring Socks for Homeless Shelter -Triple Point Night</b>
March	1	Mis-Match Night
	8	Favorite Worship Song or Musician
	15	Wear Green Night – St Patty’s
	22	Hawaiian Night
	29	<b>No Awana -Palm Sunday</b>
April	5	<b>No Awana -Easter</b>
	12	<b>Bring item for OCC – Double Point Night</b>
	19	<b>Wear Rain Gear Night</b>
	26	Silly Sock Night
May	3	Awana Store
	10	<b>Mother’s Day - No AWANA</b>
	17	AWANA Closing Party – Ice Cream Social - Award Night

## **2025-2026 Theme Nights**