

## ***ADDITIONAL THINGS TO KNOW***

### **1. WHAT KIND OF REWARDS WILL WE RECEIVE?**

**SPARKS:** Everyone receives the traditional Sparks - A - Rama patch, which can be sewn on their uniform. The winning team on each circle will receive the traditional Spark - A - Rama plaque. AWANA is trying to mellow out the competitive spirit as it pertains to these precious little ones who don't quite understand the competitive spirit.

**T&T:** Each circle will be a separate unit. Each winner of their circle will get a 1st place patch which can be sewn on their uniform, and a metal to wear around their neck. 2nd - 4th place will receive ribbons.

### **2. WILL THERE BE A LIMITED CONCESSION STANDS?**

There will be concession stands available for team members and spectators at Ankeny only. They will be open the entire day at modest prices. **The concession area will have things** such as candy and chips, and pop. Ankeny also plans on having sandwiches and pizza due to the facilities... and the area churches taking on this ministry.

### **3. DRESS CODE CLARIFICATION**

Because of modesty, we respectfully ask that no one play in a dress or skirt. If this is not possible, shorts **MUST** be worn **UNDERNEATH**. *Also, NO "SPEDO" TYPE CLOTHING WILL BE TOLERATED! No shorts will be allowed on the floor this includes coaches!*

### **4. CAN WE PRACTICE ON THE FLOOR BEFORE TIME?**

The rulebook states very clearly that there is to be **NO** practicing on the floor before Awana Games start.

5. Any church planning to attend AwanaGames in 2012 in Iowa (under Ron's direction) will be required to have someone from their church view an AwanaGames coaches [Webinar](#) meeting. The Webinars will be the **only** place you will get information forms, and detailed instruction. *After watching a Webinar coaches meeting you will be emailed a registration.*

6. Every coach will be required to show an **OFFICIAL AWANA** Parental consent form for every clubber when they sign in.. **NO CLUBBER WILL BE ALLOWED TO COMPETE WITHOUT ONE. YOUR CHURCHES FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

7. Every volunteer will have to sign a Day Event Form that states they are NOT an employee of Awana Clubs International and that they will do all they can to keep every child safe. They also will have to be an active member of your local church for at least 6 months and be able to answer NO on the questions on the form. **If your volunteer is not 18 they will also have to have an OFFICIAL AWANA parental consent form signed.**

8. The matrix in your coaches packets are for you to GET ORGANIZED. We will only have approximately 90 seconds (or less) in between heats, so you will need to know who is running in which event, and which heat, or you will be organizing your team when the horn goes of. The circle director will not wait.

### **9. WHEN WILL WE FIND OUT WHICH CIRCLE WE ARE ON, AND WHICH COLOR?**

As soon as possible. It is usually the lack of coaches getting there registration that slows this down. If you ALL get your registration in by the dead line we usually can get the circles assignments out the next week or two. The first games on the schedule will get their placements first. We e-mail them to the coaches.

10. CAN WE GO IN WITH ANOTHER CHURCH TO HAVE A TEAM?

YES!

11. PLEASE advise your parents we will be taking pictures and placing them (POSSIBILITY) on our web page. If we do put pictures on the internet we never identify individuals.

12. WHEN WILL WE COMPETE?

Be sure you check out our web page to see when the AwanaGames and Sparks-A-Rama will be held at each location....every location is different. We will email circle assignments to COACHES along with times their event starts...but be early.

13. **NEW RULE LAST YEAR IN THE NEW OFFICIAL RULES FROM AWANA HQ....THAT WE HAVE TO FOLLOW.** You are allowed unlimited practices now. In the past you were limited to 4 practices away from your club game time. Personally 25 years ago we did not have a limit and we saw churches hold to many practices and they would wear their teams out and they would fall apart before they competed. This is why Awana had the 4 practices rule. But now the committee that redid the rules removed that rule...and we have to follow their rules. SO, be careful and do not wear the kids and parents out with practices but you can have more than 4 now.