Awana

Approved Workmen Are Not Ashamed
2 Timothy 2:15

2026-2027
Awana Parent Handbook

6:30-8:00pm

Lolo Community Church
11897 Lewis & Clark Dr.
Lolo, MT 59847

Reaching Boys & Girls with The Gospel of Christ

Awana meets on Wednesday nights from 6:30- 8:00PM

September 2, 2026 through May 5, 2027

Awana Cubbies:
Cubbies are potty trained three and four-year-olds who are 1 to 2 years from Kindergarten.

Awana Sparks:
Sparks are children who are currently in grades Kindergarten, 1st or 2nd.

Awana T&T:
T&T are children who are currently in grades 3rd, 4th, 5th or 6th.

Awana Trek:
Trek are student helpers and they are in grades 7th & 8th

Awana Journey (LIT):
LIT are Leaders in Training that are in grades 9th-12th

What happens on a typical night?
A typical club night begins at 6:30 PM with opening ceremonies in the sanctuary for T&T and in the gym for Sparks. This consists of flag time, announcements and prayer. The remainder of the evening is divided into three sections:
Game Time, Handbook Time and Council Time. The children have a rotating schedule so that every child gets to participate in every activity. The Cubbies also have activities but they stay with their leaders downstairs the entire evening. Trek and LIT both help with younger clubbers, have book time and social time. Club ends at 8:00.

Game Time:
Game time is a fun time for children to interact with each other and burn some energy. Many of the games played are unique to the program and allow kids to participate no matter what their skill level is. It is also a great time to learn good sportsmanship. Encourage your children to bring or wear tennis shoes to club so that they can participate in the evening's games.

Handbook Time:
Children are split into smaller groups where they spend time with caring leaders and receive individual attention while working through their books. You can help your child complete their book during the year by spending time working with them at home on the verses ahead of time. Please note that the leader (not the parents) must sign off on handbooks. If you have questions about handbook time please contact the club director.

Council Time:
The children spend the first part of council time with our music leaders singing fun songs and learning about worship. Our council leaders share a short Bible message with kids to help give them a better understanding of who God is, what the Bible says and how to apply it to their lives.

Awana Awards:
We want to encourage the children to continue learning God's word and to complete their handbook during the year. Along with affirmation from caring leaders, we offer awards and incentives that your children earn. While awards vary by club generally speaking the awards are earned by finishing sections in their handbook, bringing handbook and Bible to club, attendance, wearing uniform, participating in the theme for the night, demonstrating positive behavior and working hard. Please talk to your club director for specific questions regarding awards given in a particular club.

Awana Store:
We set up Awana stores for Sparks and T&T. The children earn shares (Awana Money) by completing sections in the handbook and participating in nightly themes. We encourage them to give. We have a giving-box for Operation Christmas Child in the Awana Store. The share can be exchanged at the Awana stores for fun items in the store.

Awana Rules:

Get ready to love God.	**Matthew 22:37**
Get ready to love others.	**Matthew 22:39**
Get ready to learn.	**Proverbs 9:9**

Club expectations:
1. Arrive on time and be prepared. Bring your Awana handbook and Bible each week.
2. Wear your uniform to club.
3. Participate in all club activities and do it with a good heart attitude.

4. Wear tennis shoes. Shoes will be worn at all times for safety and health of the clubbers. If clubbers are not wearing appropriate shoes they may sit out for game time.
5. All toys and electronic devices (phones. Ipods, headphones) will be left at home.
6. Stay with your Awana club group at all times unless you have received special permission from the leader.
7. After Awana, clubbers need to stay in the room they end up in while awaiting parent or guardian pick up.

Parent and Guardian:

1. Clubbers should arrive and be signed-in no earlier than 6:15PM for supervised pre-club activities.
2. Clubbers should be signed-out promptly at 8:00 PM.
3. Parents and guardians should escort their clubbers to and from designated Awana drop off and pick up locations. This is a must for all clubbers.
4. Help encourage regular attendance in Awana club as well as Sunday school morning activities at church.
5. Assist clubbers in completing sections in their Awana handbook. Then initial sections below the line for the leader signature. With your support they will learn more, complete more sections and earn the greatest reward of all, knowing God's word in their heart.
6. If your child loses a handbook you will need to pay full price for another one. Handbooks are necessary for Awana.

Discipline:

Discipline is reinforced positively and for the purpose of building character as well as maintaining a positive learning environment for all clubbers. Our club uses the following methods for effective discipline:

Five count:

The five count is used by all leadership and simply involves counting down from 5 to 0 giving clubbers notice of immediate need for silence in order to refocus their attention.

Three strike:

The three strike rule allows three opportunities to understand that posted club rules must be followed.
The first strike is a warning.
The second strike is clubber Director intervention and counsel.
Strike three is Commander/ Director counseling clubber and/ or calling parents.

Discipline 3rd strike a night-Commander's discretion:
1st Time- Call parents & child goes home and may come back to club the next club night. The parent and child sign an expectation contract.
2nd Time- Call parents & child goes home and is suspended from club for 1 week.
3rd Time -Call parent child goes home and is suspended for 2 weeks. May only attend club with a parent or guardian present all night.

Important Awana Phone Numbers

Commander:
Ron Price 406-370-4347

T&T Director:
Tiffani Lee 406 273-4252

Sparks Director:
Heidi Smalley 406 829-0891

Cubbies Director:
Becca Weldy 406-552-8329

Trek Director:
Jeff Boschmann 406-274-8928

Journey Director:
Skip Barndt 406-251-3096

Awana Secretary:
Jen Gress 406-880-3068

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Lolo Community Church 273-6367

About Lolo Community Church:

Lolo Community Church is a non-denominational, community oriented church dedicated to seeing people mature in their faith and serve in the church and community. We offer programs and services for the entire family. If you do not already have a home church, we would like to invite you to join ours. Our service times are below.

Sunday Church Service:
Sunday school: 9:30 AM.
Coffee and Donuts: 10:15 AM.
Worship Service: 10:45 AM.

Youth Group (Jr. High & High School):

TBD

Ladies Of Lolo meets once a month on the second Tuesday of the month. You can contact
Mary Barndt 251-3096 or Joy Goffena 777-5511

Men's Bible study Thursday mornings at 9 AM
in the blue room.

$5 Awana share to clubber if parent and clubber read Awana rules and expectations. Email loloawana@gmail.com when you have done so with Your name & Clubbers name. Thank you!