## **Our Re-gathering Objective**

To welcome and encourage each Awana child and family with grace, joy and the love of Christ.

#### **Our Plan**

The priority for Fall 2020 is to conduct as many meetings outdoors as reasonably possible on WBC property, utilizing a tent or canopy for as long as practical.

Club meetings will be below the 50-person threshold, per IL phase 4 requirements.

Each Club will be learning from the age level curriculums; e.g. Cubbies in the Apple Acres handbook.

As much as possible, children will stay with their stable group (Cubbies, Sparks, T&T, Trek and Journey) while at Club. Exception would be student leaders (from Trek and Journey) who serve in Cubbies and Sparks).

To reduce physical contact and touch with play equipment, there will be no gym time for now.

Club time will be reduced to one hour, beginning at 6:45 PM with corporate worship.

Social distancing (6 ft) will be practiced to the extent possible.

All clubbers and leaders will be required to wear mask/face coverings at all times and during any transitions or trips to bathroom.

Materials will be individualized to the child to minimize multiple contact with materials (e.g. writing utensils, handbooks, craft supplies, etc.). Individuals are encouraged to bring their own supplies, including a water bottle as we will not be using the water fountains.

When weather does not allow an outdoor meeting, they will be conducted indoors in rooms that allow adequate distancing.

# **Our In-person Guidelines**

### a. Screening

- i. All children will participate in carline drop-off or be dropped off with a parent/sponsor at a designated area. Parents/those authorized for pick up/drop off should always wear a mask or face-covering if they are getting out of the car to assist drop-off. Children will be met by Awana club leaders.
- ii. Temperatures will be taken and recorded weekly upon arrival at drop-off.
- iii. A child with a temperature reading of 100.4 or above will be unable to participate and sent home.
- iv. Parents are expected to notify Awana Ministry Director or Club Director if their
  - 1. Has had any of the symptoms as listed above
  - 2. Has had a diagnosis of Covid-19 in the last 14 days
  - 3. Has had a household contact that is quarantined or confirmed with Covid-19 in the last 14 days.
  - 4. Has traveled outside IL to a state currently experiencing a surge in Covid-19 cases, in the last 14 days.

- v. All Awana leaders will be screened with a temperature check and expected to notify the Ministry Director or Club Director with any symptoms or contacts as above.
- vi. If a parent/person dropping off is going to serve that evening as a volunteer, then a temperature check and similar screening will be asked of that individual upon arrival.
- vii. Where possible, children should travel to/from Club with same family unit.

#### b. Sick

- A child should not be brought to Awana if he/she is sick with any of the following symptoms.
  - 1. Fever (greater than 100.3), chills, shaking chills, muscle aches, headache
  - 2. Cough, congestion, runny nose, sore throat, shortness of breath, loss/decrease in taste or smell, nausea, diarrhea, decreased appetite.
  - 3. Recent Covid-19 diagnosis or recent Covid 19 diagnosis in family/household (see below)
- ii. Children may return to Awana when the following are met:
  - 1. With symptoms, but determined likely **NOT** to have Covid-19:
    - a. Child is free from fever (without use of fever-reducing medication) for at least 72 hours.
    - b. Negative test for Covid-19.
    - c. Confirmation from a doctor stating no clinical suspicion of Covid-19 infection.
  - 2. With a positive diagnosis of Covid-19
    - a. Child is free from fever (without use of fever-reducing medication) for at least 72 hours.
    - b. Symptoms have improved.
    - c. At least 10 days from the onset of illness.
  - 3. If child has had close contact with someone with Covid-19, the child should stay home for 14 days after their last exposure to that person and be monitored for symptoms.

# c. Communication:

- i. Parents should inform Awana Ministry Director, or Club Director) if a child has tested positive for Covid-19, someone in their home tests positive or if the child has been in close contact with a positive case.
- ii. In turn, Awana Ministry Director or Club Director will inform parents and staff/volunteers of positive Covid-19 cases where close contact has occurred.
- d. PPE (personal protective equipment)
  - i. All adult leaders and volunteers will be asked to wear face shields or face coverings.
  - ii. Face coverings/masks are required and must be worn by all adults and children over the age of 2 at all times.
    - 1. Face coverings are required for children who can safely and appropriately wear, remove and tolerate masks, except:
      - a. While eating/drinking, with physical distancing

# b. During active outdoor play, with physical distancing

- e. Cleaning and Sanitation
  - i. Children and leaders will be asked to hand-sanitize upon arrival to Awana, upon departure, and as needed throughout the evening.
  - ii. Frequent cleaning and sanitizing of all surfaces will occur before, during (as needed) and after each club meeting.