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AWANA Clubber Discipline Policy

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Disciplining of Clubbers is conducted in accordance with AWANA rules and standards as outlined in the Basic Training Manuals. Clubbers are expected to observe club rules and display good behavior. However, should the need arise; we do have tools for dealing with the occasional discipline challenge. The FIVE-COUNT and the THREE-COUNT are two tools that AWANA uses to keep order on club nights. The goal of using these tools is to patiently teach clubbers to obey rules that make AWANA fun for all.

Hand Five-Count

The Five Count is used to call a group to order. The leader in charge raises their hand in the air and begins counting, "one, two, three, four, five". The room should be quiet by the time leader counting reaches five; everyone in room counts along with them with their hand and not their voice. If the group does not quiet down, the group will lose a minute of game time by having to sit quietly for one minute at game time.

Three-Count

The three-count is used for an individual Clubber who is disruptive.

1 – Count: A warning to the Clubber including specific instructions on how they can avoid a 2-Count.

2 – Count: For a repeated offense, the Clubber talks with his/her Director or Commander and will be instructed on what happens if they reach a 3-Count.

3 – Count: The Commander calls the Clubber's parent to come and take the Clubber home. The Clubber is not allowed to return to the club the following week, but is encouraged to return after the absence.



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The Director will fill out an incident report if a “three” is issued (See Incident Report Policy and Procedures for details). If this occurs, there will need to be contact between the parents and the Club Director before the next meeting in order for the child to return to a club meeting. If the clubber has to be asked to leave the club meeting a second time, they must miss the next two club meetings, and a parent must meet with the Club Director to discuss returning to club. If a clubber is removed from club a third time, they will not be allowed back into the program for the remainder of the club year. It is our prayer that no situation will have to be resolved in this manner, but in fairness to all clubbers and leaders, the above will be enforced as necessary.

Your AWANA leaders realize that there are many family situations that may affect a child’s behavior. We encourage you to let your child’s AWANA leader know if there is any situation affecting your child. This helps the AWANA leader to potentially minister to the child as opposed to just viewing the behavior as a discipline problem.