

Ideas for Awana

Awards/End of Year Celebration:

- Do short video presentations of Citation achievers and play them during the announcement segments of the streaming services
- Ask Seniors to share wisdom with kids on tough times they've been through
- Virtual awards night - use the church's streaming capabilities to do an Awards' ceremony, inviting the whole church
- Remote celebration or video clips to share - mail or drop off awards to kids
- Prepare for a BIG Comeback!! Not giving up on club year.
- Combine Awana awards with a kickoff to the start of the next year.
- Webinar from Awana is in the works to talk about these celebrations

Bible Quiz

- Online Bible Quiz

Communication

- Keep communication - written, phone, virtual to all families. Unhealthy families need intentional care.
- Over communicate to the club during this time to calm and encourage - need truth bites frequently
- Don't put this off but be the encouraging voice in the troubled times
- Do a "personalized" to child video clip that can be emailed to the parents to share - personal touch
- Interviews with kids - Asking kids how they feel
- Kids being issued tablets from schools - Schools are leveraging and responding which gives the sense that they are not alone and their routine in this aspect is important.

Fun\Game Time

- Christ in Youth presents [Zoom Games](#)
- Kahoot.com
- Connect online with another small club with Skype, Zoom, FaceTime, etc.
- Do a scavenger hunt (Ex. Theme "Life Saver")
 - Send a PDF document with the scavenger hunt. Parents can send pics of the kids looking for their items.
 - Online scavenger hunt, indoor/outdoor scavenger hunt, Bible scavenger hunt.
- Send a coloring page for the kids to complete. Parents can post the completed picture. Get points for your team.

- Can still do themes. Like crazy socks night. Have parents send pics of their kids with their socks, give them points by team, etc.
 - Awana Ministry Director go live and announce the winner, parents posting pics (private group)..or just show the kids feet (parents can control if they put the kids pic). Please remember to follow Child Protection Policies and don't set up anything that violates that.
- Make your own word search
- Make your own crossword puzzle
- Family challenge - video it and send it to the church.

General

- Churches working together to share A/V resources. If a church posts a video of a lesson that your club is on and you can use it, there is no need to reinvent the wheel.
- Club sends letters to Dr's, Nurses, and First Responders letting them know they are praying and thanking them for all they are doing.
- Create Facebook groups by club. Leader can post lessons, interact with the large group time lesson by saying verses right there on their FB page, Small group communication. You can make these private.
- Extending the year. Since sports may be cancelled...can clubs continue service later into spring
- Remember - the mission of reaching kids with the Gospel and discipling them is more important than the program.
- Kids miss their friends...keep things relational

Global Outreach (GO)

- Use Awana GO Lessons

Large Group

- Video AMD giving Large Group Lesson
- Create large group time lessons for the whole club. Club director can do it weekly.
- Facebook live
- Facebook live. Record the lesson. Send in pictures of kids watching it, doing section, passing sections. Do on the same night as club since everyone is in the routine or stagger times/days for different clubs for kids with one computer in the household.
- Marco Polo to communicate briefly to group
- Simulcast "live" - use platforms that churches may be using anyway to prerecord the large group lessons and maybe music time and then run it at the "normal" time or other time. The key here is that there are on-line live leaders to interact with those that are "attending" the large group time.
- Video Lesson, vimeo, Zoom, Youtube channel. Broadcast live and have people comment or ask questions.

Small Group

- Small group lessons: use the phone to connect with all of your kids each week. Stay connected. Work on verses. Listen to verses.
- Awana Drive Thru! Parents drive kids down, roll down the window for kiddos to say verses and show book work, record it and give them an air five and a “Good job clubber!” and send them on their way...all with proper social distancing.
- Contest - every parent who posts that their child said a verse gets entered into a contest
- Leader comes to the porch of the house to engage, listen to the kids verses, say hi to the parents.
- Letting parents sign the sections and not requiring leaders to do so - move from page to the heart
- Marco Polo app for kids to say sections to their leader. They can form a group.
- Parents video own children and share
- Private Facebook groups for clubs
- Provide Help for parents on how to do family devotions using Awana materials
- Recite verses on FB Group
- Start a mailbox club with clubbers. Mail a sheet with some things for them to do, coloring page, verses to memorize, etc. Parents send them back in. Recognize them in the fall when they all get back together. You will have postage cost.
- Use Zoom accounts to continue small groups - kids are doing this for school now
- With your iPhone, you can add others to the call. Create a small group experience this way.
- Zoom , Skype, etc. with your small group on a set day or time.
- Parents signing off on sections, email the sections in, AMD or secretary entering the information.
- Send out questions for discussion purposes - Email out things that kids can fill in and send back.

Prayer

- Devotion and prayer time
- Kids’ prayer journal

Volunteers

- Highlight volunteers - Share with congregation about volunteers
- Write a post card or call
- Zoom
- Volunteer appreciation - Send text of thanks and prayer requests
- Leader prayer video chat...ministering to the anxiety of leaders

Websites

- Ryan Frank's Quarantined Kidmin Summit
- Helpful Links and Resources

Extras

Sparks, T&T, & Cubbies Zoom call - Create a Family Challenge - Video it and send it to your kids’ parents. Contests, Send prayer requests and text to parents. Provide support to parents so they can do devotions in their homes - Awana at Home lessons (Email us for info at josephc@awana.org) - Leader

prayer video chat. Use the [Awana Brite curriculum](#) - 4 free lessons downloadable - Kids are missing their friends and will light up when they see them on screen. Send out parent pages each week - Plan your closing ceremonies.