



# HCC RODEO ROUNDUP CARNIVAL

Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>

6:00 -7:45pm

Howdy Pardners! We can't wait to see you at the HCC Rodeo Roundup Carnival! Please read the following and explain these things to your children so everyone has a safe, fun time.

The Rodeo is sponsored by the HCC Awana Club. Awana is an international, nondenominational ministry that emphasizes scripture memory, friendships, Bible lessons, mentoring relationships and lots of fun! We meet most Wednesdays during the school year from 6:00 -7:45pm, and have clubs for ages three (as of September 1<sup>st</sup>) through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Visitors and new club members are welcome all year! For more information, go to [www.heritagechristian.org/Relational\\_Environments/Awana/](http://www.heritagechristian.org/Relational_Environments/Awana/)

**My family wants to come to the Rodeo; what should we do?** Please RSVP and tell us which children will attend. Please also tell us if you are bringing friends; we want to have enough loot bags, prizes and snacks for everyone. **Please note that an adult or high school student must attend the Rodeo with your children.** Parents of older children may be asked to help with the games and activities.

**Can we bring friends?** YES!!! We want to give kids the opportunity to share the good news of Jesus with their friends in a fun, memorable way. Please encourage your friends to come back to Heritage and/or Awana!

**What should we wear?** Western attire, including boots if desired. Awana uniforms aren't required.

**What should we bring?**

- If your oldest child attending is a boy, bring at least one dozen cookies, brownies, Rice Krispie treats, etc. No cupcakes or treats with nuts or peanut butter, please. Items don't have to be individually wrapped; store bought is fine.
- If your oldest child attending is a girl, bring a 2 liter bottle of soft drink, juice or lemonade.

**What time should we arrive?** Try to arrive early since check-in will be busy – we hope to open check-in by 5:45pm, or as soon as there are enough volunteers. Leave coats on the tables in the hallway. Check-in in the Worship Center; follow signs and instructions from volunteers. After completing the check-in process, kids and parents who aren't helping will wait in the Worship Center for instructions before the Rodeo begins.

**How do Rodeo helpers check-in?** If you are helping with a game or activity, check-in at the volunteer table. Make a name tag then go to your assigned area to meet your room leader and find out what to do.

**What should my family do when the Rodeo begins?** Any game or activity they want! You are free to move from room to room on your own and select from a variety of carnival games and activities.

**Are there certain games for certain ages?** No, everything is open to children of all ages.



**Can we play the games as many times as we want?** Yes, children may play each game as many times as they want. But they may only win one prize from each game so we have enough for everyone.

**How can we get a drink, cookie, popcorn or pickle?** The prize for some games is a Chuck Wagon coupon; take the coupon to the Chuck Wagon at the cafe counter and get your prize. To avoid disappointment, we encourage kids to use their food or drink prize coupons quickly after they earn them. Adults are welcome to enjoy a snack or drink without a coupon. Everyone must finish their food/drink in the cafe; no food or drinks will be allowed in the jail or children's building.



**How can I have someone arrested?** You must have a jail coupon to put someone in jail. Jail coupons are prizes for the games in room 308B. Take your coupon to the table outside the jail and a sheriff will give you an arrest warrant. Fill it out and give it to a deputy. The deputy will go with you to find the "outlaw" and make the arrest. So that everyone can have a chance to enjoy the jail, we ask that kids win no more than four arrest warrants for the night. Also, if the jail gets too crowded, the warrant table and/or room 308B may close for short periods of time.

**How do I get out of jail?** When you are in jail, you will be given a Bail Bond. It will have an activity for you to do, such as recite a memory verse, answer a Bible question or sing a song. When you have completed the activity, you will be released from jail.

**What is the Rodeo Road?** Children will receive a Rodeo Road card at check-in. This is an optional activity, but we encourage you to help kids participate and learn God's Word. The cards have Bible verses explaining God's wonderful plan of salvation.

Throughout the Rodeo there will be five Rodeo Road stations. An Awana leader at the station will help and encourage children to learn the Bible verses at an age appropriate level, and will talk with them about the meaning of the verses. The leader will then sign that section on the child's card. If a child completes all the sections on the card, they earn a special prize and should stop at the prize table in the atrium as they leave. The location of Rodeo Road stations is marked on lists posted in the hallways. But it's more fun to find them yourself as you travel through the Rodeo!

### **What are the behavior rules for the Rodeo?**

1. **Show respect for God.** Honor God with how you act and what you say.
2. **Respect others.** Obey leaders and parents. Share, take turns and help others. Treat others the way you would like to be treated.
3. **Respect myself.** Absolutely NO RUNNING! Anyone who is running will receive a five minute time-out in jail. Play safely; no wrestling or horse-play. Don't try to break out of jail.
4. **Respect my own, the church's and other people's property.** NO food or drink can be brought into the children's building. Put trash in the trash can. If you make a mess, clean it up. Take good care of the church building and the Rodeo supplies.

**What do we do when the Rodeo is over?** The Rodeo will close at 7:40pm. If you have been helping with a game or activity, please help your room leader with any clean up, then meet your children in the café. Don't forget to pick up your child's coat from the tables in the atrium as you leave.

**What should we do next Wednesday?** Come back to Awana for Dress Like a Mess Night!

We're looking forward to seeing everyone at the Rodeo Roundup Carnival on Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup>! Please email [awana@heritagechristian.org](mailto:awana@heritagechristian.org) if you have additional questions.

