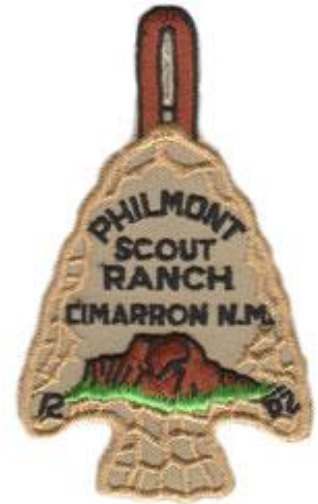




Philmont Scout Ranch is the Boy Scouts of America's oldest national high-adventure base. It covers 137,000 acres - about 214 square miles - of rugged mountain wilderness in the Sangre de Cristo (Blood of Christ) range of the Rocky Mountains in northern New Mexico. Thirty-four staffed camps and 55 trail camps are operated by the ranch. Philmont has high mountains dominating rough terrain with elevations ranging from 6,500 to 12,441 feet.



Philmont has a unique history of ancient Native Americans who chipped petroglyphs into canyon walls, Spanish conquistadors who explored the Southwest long before the first colonists arrived on

the Atlantic coast, the rugged breed of mountain man like Kit Carson who blazed trails across this land, the great land barons like Lucien Maxwell who built ranchos along the Santa Fe Trail, and miners, loggers, and cowboys. All these people left their mark on Philmont.

Philmont Scout Ranch provides an unforgettable adventure in sky-high backpacking country along hundreds of miles of rugged, rocky trails. Program features combine the best of the Old West - horseback riding, burro packing, gold panning, chuckwagon dinners, and interpretive history - with exciting challenges for today, such as rock climbing, burro racing, mountain biking, and .30-06 rifle shooting. It's an unbeatable recipe for fast-moving fun and the outdoors.

Philmont means camping with your own unit as well as meeting and sharing experiences with other crews from all over America and from other countries. This is an opportunity for fellowship and understanding unequaled anywhere in America.

Check out this link for more information <http://www.scouting.org/scoutsources/HighAdventure/Philmont.aspx>

Dates: Arrival July 4, 2011 Departure July 16, 2011. You will spend 12 days on the trail.

Crews: Two crews of 12 are reserved. Max 4 adults (21 and over) per crew. Dads with sons will take priority over other adults. Many T-2 adult leaders are interested in going so do not hesitate. We won't. Each Crew will pick their own trek.

Eligibility: Philmont requirements: Youth must be 14 years of age OR have completed the eighth grade and be at least 13 prior to participation. Philmont strictly enforces height/weight requirements as noted on the back of this handout.

Troop 2 requirements: Scouts must meet Troop 2 participation requirements. Those scouts not meeting requirements already will be strictly held to them starting January 1st, 2010.

Registration: Opens Monday January 18th, 2010. Closes Monday February 1st, 7:30 pm, 2010.

Cost: About \$1,100 - \$1,200. In addition to Philmont's charges, we need to arrange transportation - most likely flying - and then from the airport to Philmont, plus a couple of shirts. NOTE: Troop 2 has reserved these crews individually. By not going through council, we are saving about \$250 PER PERSON. Council's cost for 2009 was \$1,375.00

Payment: Initial non refundable, non transferrable deposit of \$100.00 Due February 1st. Pay Mrs. Werrbach by 7:30 pm. NO EXCEPTIONS. Future payment schedule will be arranged, probably \$100 per month starting in April. Fund raisers will be available.

It is essential for the crews to learn to cooperate as a team before arriving at Philmont. There will be 3 MANDATORY shakedown and preparation campouts. Possibly 2 in 2010 and one in spring of 2011. You will be dropped if you do not meet the troop's participation requirements or you miss the mandatory campouts. Life is full of choices. Quit whining.

Additional Information will be handed out as it becomes available.

Philmont Weight Limits for Backpacking and Hiking

Each participant in a Philmont trek must not exceed the maximum acceptable limit in the weight-for-height chart below. The right column shows the maximum acceptable weight for a person's height in order to participate in a Philmont trek. Those who fall within the limits are more likely to have an enjoyable trek and avoid incurring health risks. Every Philmont trek involves hiking with a 35- to 50-pound backpack at elevations of 6,500 to 12,500 feet. Philmont recommends that participants carry a pack weighing no more than 25% to 30% of their body weight.

Participants 21 years and older who exceed the maximum acceptable weight limit for their height at the Philmont medical recheck will not be permitted to backpack or hike at Philmont. For example, a person 5' 10" cannot weigh more than 226 pounds. The Philmont physicians will use their best professional judgment in determining participation in a Philmont trek by individuals under 21 years of age who exceed the maximum acceptable weight for their height. Participants under 21 years of age are strongly encouraged to meet the weight limit for their height, and exceptions are not made automatically, and the maximum allowable exception will be 20 pounds. Discussion in advance with Philmont regarding any exception to the weight limit for persons under 21 years of age is required, whether it is over or under. *Participants failing their exam at Philmont will be sent home immediately at their own expense.*

Under no circumstances will any individual over 295 pounds be allowed to participate regardless of height or age. This limit is necessary due to limitations of rescue equipment and for the safety of Philmont personnel. The maximum weight for any participant in a Cavalcade Trek and for horse rides is 200 pounds.

HEIGHT		WEIGHT (POUNDS)	
FT	IN	RECOMMENDED	MAX
5'	0"	97-138	166
5'	1"	101-143	172
5'	2"	104-148	178
5'	3"	107-152	183
5'	4"	111-157	189
5'	5"	114-162	195
5'	6"	118-167	201
5'	7"	121-172	207
5'	8"	125-178	214

5'	9"	129-185	220
5'	10"	132-188	226
5'	11"	136-194	233
6'	0"	140-199	239
6'	1"	144-205	246
6'	2"	148-210	252
6'	3"	152-216	260
6'	4"	156-222	267
6'	5"	160-228	274
6'	6"	164-234	281
6'	7"	170-240	295

This table is based on the revised Dietary Guidelines for Americans from the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the Department of Health and Human Services.