



Philmont Scout Ranch



Cimarron, New Mexico



Mecklenburg County Council Contingent, July 13 -July 25, 2007 Scout and Venturer Application

Philmont Scout Ranch is the ultimate High Adventure Base. Since 1938 more than 600,000 campers from around the world have enjoyed trekking through the 137,493 acres of rugged land set among towering mountains, alpine meadows, and awesome vistas of the Sangre de Cristo range in northeastern New Mexico where elevations range from 6,500 to 12,441 feet. Fascinating backcountry programs and 330 miles of challenging trails await your 12-day expedition of three 12-person crews.

Scouts/Venturers must be 14 years old by 1/1/2007 or have completed the 8th grade prior to participation and be at least 13 prior to participation. Only 29 spaces for Scout/Venturers are available in the Contingent, which will be divided into three crews. Selection will be based upon the information on this application and date submitted, Scouting/Venturing experience, Scoutmaster/Leader evaluation, and personal interview with the adult advisors.

The total estimated cost is \$1500 (contingent on finalization of transportation costs) and includes the Philmont fee, airline fare, ground transportation, lodging, and meals. The dates listed above do not include travel and touring time, which may be added at a later date It does not include personal uniforms, equipment, and spending money. Payment of \$100 must accompany this application, and the balance will be collected in several installments. Your submission of this application with the deposit does not guarantee you a place in the 2007 Philmont Contingent, and in the event you are not selected your deposit will be returned. All fees must be paid on time according to the published schedule (see back). Fees paid are transferable but not refundable due to commitments necessary to carry out the trip. If you sign up and are selected and later find out you cannot attend, you will receive a refund if there is an alternate to take your place. In the event there is not an alternate, a partial refund may be made to include fees you have paid to date less any expenses relating to contractual agreements made in your behalf.

- Application Procedure:
1. Venturer/Parent complete front side of application and turn in to your Venture Crew Leader or Scoutmaster along with check for \$100 made payable to Mecklenburg County Council, BSA.
 2. Scoutmaster or Venture Crew Leader complete Leader Evaluation on back side of application and turn in or mail with \$100 deposit by September 30th to: Mecklenburg County Council, Boy Scouts of America, 1410 East 7th St., Charlotte, NC 28204.

Scout/Venturer Name (Last)		(First-Middle)		(Name Called)		Troop/Crew	District
Parents Name				Home Phone		Business/Daytime Phone	
Address				City, State, Zip			
Birthdate	Age on 1/1/2007	Grade in School	Scout/Venturer Rank	Date Rank Earned	Email		
Scout/Venturing Leadership Positions (list current and past positions held)							
No. Years in Boy Scouts/Venturers (not including Cub Scouts)		Troop/Crew JLT (year)	Council JLT (year)	Boy Scout Summer Camp (if applicable) (years)		Previous Philmont (year)	
Other Significant Camping or Backpacking							
Related Merit Badges (check if earned)							
<input type="checkbox"/> Backpacking		<input type="checkbox"/> Cooking		<input type="checkbox"/> Hiking		<input type="checkbox"/> Pioneering	
<input type="checkbox"/> Camping		<input type="checkbox"/> First Aid		<input type="checkbox"/> Orienteering		<input type="checkbox"/> Wilderness Survival	
Scouting or Venturing Honors & Awards (OA, 50-Miler, Mile Swim, Religious, etc.)							
T-Shirt Size	Height (inches)	Weight	Religious Preference				
School Record, Honors, Extra-Curricular Activities							
Community Service & Participation, including Religious Life							
Why do you want to go to Philmont, and what could you add to this Contingent?							

We (Scout/Venturer and Parent) approve and agree to the terms of this application. We certify that the applicant can meet the health and physical fitness requirements of Philmont and will be examined by a licensed health-care practitioner. We agree to the provisions of the trip rules and guidelines and the code of conduct established by Philmont, the Council, and the Trip Advisors. We will pay the balance of fees according to the published schedule.

Scout/Venturer Signature _____ Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Scoutmaster/Venture Crew Leader Evaluation

CONFIDENTIAL APPRAISAL		Excellent	Good	Average	Fair	Poor
1.	Scouting/Venturing record					
2.	Leadership experience					
3.	Camping and outdoor experience					
4.	Accepts and carries out responsibilities using good judgement					
5.	Cooperates and is a productive member of the team					
6.	Attitude					
7.	Good physical condition					
8.	Personal appearance (correct uniform and insignia)					
9.	Overall appraisal					

Other comments:

I certify to the best of my knowledge and belief that this Scout/Venturer is mature enough as well as mentally and physically prepared to take part in the challenging and physically demanding high adventure expedition to Philmont Scout Ranch which will involve backpacking over 100 miles at altitudes of 6,000 to 12,000 feet with a crew of 9 or 10 Scouts and/or Venturers and 2 or 3 adult advisors.

Scoutmaster or Crew Advisor

Signature _____ Date _____.

Philmont Trip Rules and Guidelines

1. Each participant must pay all fees on time according to the below schedule.

\$100	Deposit due with application (by September 30 th)
\$500	November 1
\$500	February 1
\$400	May 1

2. Each participant agrees to attend and fully participate in the Crew Training and planning meetings. These meetings will be announced after the application deadline.

3. Complete Official Scout or Venturing Uniform is required for travel, arrival at, and while at Philmont base camp.

4. Everyone travels in the same group on the same itinerary, using the group air reservations, departing from Charlotte and returning to Charlotte on the same flight.

5. Each participant agrees to follow the trail rules that will be established for the crews.

6. Each participant agrees to follow the rules established by BSA and Philmont. This includes current American Red Cross certification in Adult CPR and Standard First Aid for certain leaders. It also includes requirements for age, weight, physical preparation, and medical certification.