



2008 Philmont Application Information



This information can also be found on the Crew Website at www.crew445.org or the Troop Website at www.troop445.org. Please familiarize yourself with this information. **By signing the Philmont Application, you are agreeing to meet specific requirements in order to attend.**

Expedition dates are June 18 – June 29, 2008. Exact travel dates yet to be determined (probably June 15-June 30).

Participation requirements:

Venturers/Scouts:

- ❑ Venturers/Scouts MUST EITHER be 14 by January 1, 2008, OR be 13 and finish the Eighth Grade in 2008. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** Scouts cannot be 18 years of age before Day 1 of their Philmont trek. Scouts CAN turn 18 years of age while on their trek. Venturers cannot be 21 years of age before Day 1 of their Philmont trek. Venturers CAN turn 21 years of age while on their trek.
- ❑ Venturers/Scouts MUST be a registered member of a chartered unit - Venture Crew or Troop.
- ❑ All Scouts MUST earn the rank of First Class before June 2008, in order to participate in the Philmont Expedition.
- ❑ Venturers/Scouts MUST attend **FOUR** of the five shakedown campout/activities in order to participate in the Philmont Expedition.

Adult Advisors:

- ❑ Adult advisors MUST be a registered member of a chartered unit - Troop or Venture Crew.
- ❑ Adult advisors MUST obtain Youth Protection Training (YPT) **in 2008** before the trek.
- ❑ Adult advisors MUST attend **FOUR** of the five shakedown campout/activities in order to participate in the Philmont Expedition.

Philmont Costs and Payment Schedules:

- ❑ **Philmont Expedition Fee:** \$560.00 per participant. Includes 12 days at Philmont Scout Ranch, all meals while at Philmont, the Philmont arrowhead patch (*if trek is completed*), and one 8"x10" crew photograph.
- ❑ **Contingency Fee:** The fund will be somewhere between \$250.00 and \$300.00 per participant (both Scout and adult advisors) The contingency fund is used to cover all costs of travel, lodging, trip related crew gear expenses, a post-trek pizza or burger feast in Cimarron, and emergency expenses. This fee will also provide each participant with one contingent T-shirt, one 8"x10" contingent photograph, a Philmont arrowhead patch protector, a Philmont bolo tie, and the annual Philmont round patch. As always, any left over funds will be distributed evenly among participants as soon as possible once we are back home.
- ❑ **Personal Gear purchases** – see the Crew Website or Troop Website for our personal equipment list.
- ❑ **Shakedown campout/activity costs**
- ❑ **Meals to and from Philmont** – These ARE NOT covered in the contingency fee. A final itinerary will be set by January 2008 for planning purposes.
- ❑ **Trading Post/Snack Bar/Trail money** – suggest at least \$75.00 spending money for purchases while at Philmont.

Payment Schedule (make checks payable to **SHANE HOFFMAN-2008 PHILMONT**)

Philmont Expedition Fee - **\$560.00 total**

\$50.00 deposit due January 15, 2007

\$255.00 due September 15, 2007

\$255.00 due February 14, 2008

Contingency Fee - **~\$275.00 total**

\$138 due January 15, 2008

\$137 due March 15, 2008

- ❑ **Note:** All fees paid to Philmont are **non-refundable** and non-transferable to the balance of fees in the event of cancellation. In order to recoup any payment made to Philmont, the applicant must find another Scout/advisor to take his place and pay the fees to the applicant. "Fill-in" Scouts/advisors must be approved by the Crew Advisors beforehand, and meet the same requirements as the original applicant in order to take the place of the applicant. Refunds on contingency fee payments, if possible, will be made **following the expedition**. The reason for this being that payments are made for reservations, tickets, etc., beginning in January 2008. Anyone dropping out after January 2008 has been included in those reservations, tickets, etc. Amount of refund will be based on dollars available after the trip.

Medical/Weight Requirements:

- ❑ Every camper and advisor is required to have a medical evaluation within the twelve (12) months previous to attending Philmont. **The Philmont Health and Medical Record form MUST be used.** We will receive these in January 2008; so don't plan your physical exam until after forms are received. **Physical examinations are to be turned in to Mr. Hoffman no later than May 15, 2008.**
- ❑ Every camper and advisor needs to make a full front and back photo copy of his or her individual insurance card. These copies are required for medical check-in at Philmont. **Insurance card photocopies are to be turned in to Mr. Hoffman no later than May 15, 2008.**
- ❑ Each participant is required to have a tetanus shot or booster within the previous ten (10) years.
- ❑ **Philmont Weight Requirements:**

HEIGHT	RECOMMENDED WEIGHT (lbs.)	MAXIMUM ACCEPTANCE	HEIGHT	RECOMMENDED WEIGHT (lbs.)	MAXIMUM ACCEPTANCE
5' 0"	97 - 138	166	5' 10"	132 - 188	226
5' 1"	101 - 143	172	5' 11"	136 - 194	233
5' 2"	104 - 148	178	6' 0"	140 - 199	239
5' 3"	107 - 152	183	6' 1"	144 - 205	246
5' 4"	111 - 157	189	6' 2"	148 - 210	252
5' 5"	114 - 162	195	6' 3"	152 - 216	260
5' 6"	118 - 167	201	6' 4"	156 - 222	267
5' 7"	121 - 172	207	6' 5"	160 - 228	274
5' 8"	125 - 178	214	6' 6"	164 - 234	281
5' 9"	129 - 185	220	6' 7" & over	170 - 240	295

- ❑ **From the 2002 Philmont Unit Planning Guide:**
 "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 lbs. **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 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 is 20 lbs. Discussion in advance with Philmont regarding any exception to the weight limit for persons under 21 years of age is required.**"
- ❑ **From the 2003 Philmont Health form:**
 During the summer of 2002, 28 participants (21 Advisors and 7 youth participants) were not allowed on the trail because they did not meet the height/weight requirements. THESE PARTICIPANTS WERE SENT HOME AT THEIR OWN EXPENSE!

Planning & Important Dates

January 2007	15th - \$50.00 Philmont deposit due
September 2007	15th - \$255 Philmont payment due ? – Advisors' Meeting, First Scout/Parent Philmont meeting – MANDATORY ATTENDANCE
January 2008	15th - \$138 Contingency Fee due ? – Advisor's Meeting, Shakedown Planning Meeting, Shakedown Activity
February 2008	14th - \$255 Philmont payment due ? – Advisor's Meeting, Shakedown Planning Meeting, Shakedown Activity ? – Crew Itinerary Selection Meeting – MANDATORY ATTENDANCE
March 2008	15th - \$137 Contingency Fee due ? – Advisor's Meeting, Shakedown Planning Meeting, Shakedown Activity
April 2008	? – Advisor's Meeting, Shakedown Planning Meeting, Shakedown Activity
May 2008	15th – Philmont physical exams and insurance card copies due to Mr. Hoffman ? – Advisor's Meeting, Shakedown Planning Meeting, Shakedown Activity – MANDATORY
June 2008	14th – Pre-trip trailer packing 15th – Depart for pre-Philmont activities 20th – Philmont Day 1