



Philmont Scout Ranch and Training Center is the premiere National High Adventure Base owned and operated by the Boy Scouts of America.

Comprising 140,711 acres (220 square miles) of the Sangre de Cristo mountain range in northern New Mexico, Philmont serves as the largest camping operation in the world. Base camp elevation is at 6,700 feet, with program areas reaching above 12,000 feet. Each summer, about 27,000 participants engage in world class camping and training center programs.

## Delivering Wilderness and Learning Adventures That Last A Lifetime.

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# PASS

## Philmont Advisor Skills School

This weekend-long training experience provides an opportunity for crew advisors to learn the fundamentals of Philmont camping skills and procedures in the beauty of the Sangre de Christo

mountains. Courses are taught by experienced Philmont Staff and help advisors learn important skills that will help them be better prepared for their summer experience.

Participants will have an on-site, hands on learning experience that will give a better understanding of the following Philmont skills, procedures, and resources:

- Conducting a shakedown hike
- Philmont-issued gear
- Physical conditioning
- Crew youth leadership positions
- Campsite setup and the “Bermuda Triangle”
- Smellables and bear bag hanging
- Dining fly and tent setup
- Gas stove operation and care
- Philmont’s backcountry cooking method
- Dish washing and sump use
- Efficiently breaking camp
- Day 1 Base Camp procedures
- Scheduling Philmont Museum experiences
- Philmont Second Season Programs



## WHO IS INVITED?

The PASS program is tailored especially for any adult leader registered for the coming summer seasons but is open to ALL registered BSA leaders who want to learn more about camping at Philmont! Crews are limited in size and will be mixed groups of leaders from across the country. (Crews are limited to 12 persons each.) Space is limited, so register early!



## OVERVIEW

After checking in and processing the evening before, the course will start with a quick tour of the Day 1 process in base camp, gear shakedown, and outfitting services for food and supplies. The crew is taken to a backcountry trailhead for a short hike to a camp where the training will commence. The next day includes a short hike and a return to base camp for continued sessions, tours of the Villa Philmonte and the National Scouting Museum. The closing dinner will be a special opportunity for recognition and closing words and presentation of the official PASS patch.

## WHAT GEAR IS PROVIDED?

A variety of crew gear will be provided by Philmont for the program, including the following: tents, dining fly, stakes, cooking gear (stove, pots, spoons, etc.), trail meals, sump gear, and miscellaneous supplies from Outfitting Services. Philmont also has sleeping bags, sleeping pads, and cold weather clothing layers available for individual checkout, if needed.

## WHAT IS THE COST?

Cost for the program is \$125 per participant. Fee covers three nights at Philmont, dining hall meals, trail meals, PASS materials, Philmont crew related gear, and a special PASS patch. Transportation to and from Philmont is not provided, but you can coordinate with other participants for ride sharing opportunities.

\*NEW\* Add-on Wilderness First Aid training package for an additional \$125 (2 additional days; covers training materials, meals, and lodging).

## HOW DO I REGISTER?

Register online at [philmontscout ranch.org/philmont-advisor-skills-school](http://philmontscout ranch.org/philmont-advisor-skills-school) or by calling 575-376-2281 and asking to speak with the PASS coordinator.

## SCHEDULE

DAY 1	Arrival Day, Orientation, Base Camp Tour, Begin Gear Shakedown
DAY 2	Gear Shakedown, transport to backcountry, hike to camp, begin skills training, fundamentals of Philmont camping
DAY 3	Continue Philmont camping skills, introduction to Philmont Second Season programs, return to base, tour Villa Philmonte, classroom sessions, banquet
DAY 4	Departure Day