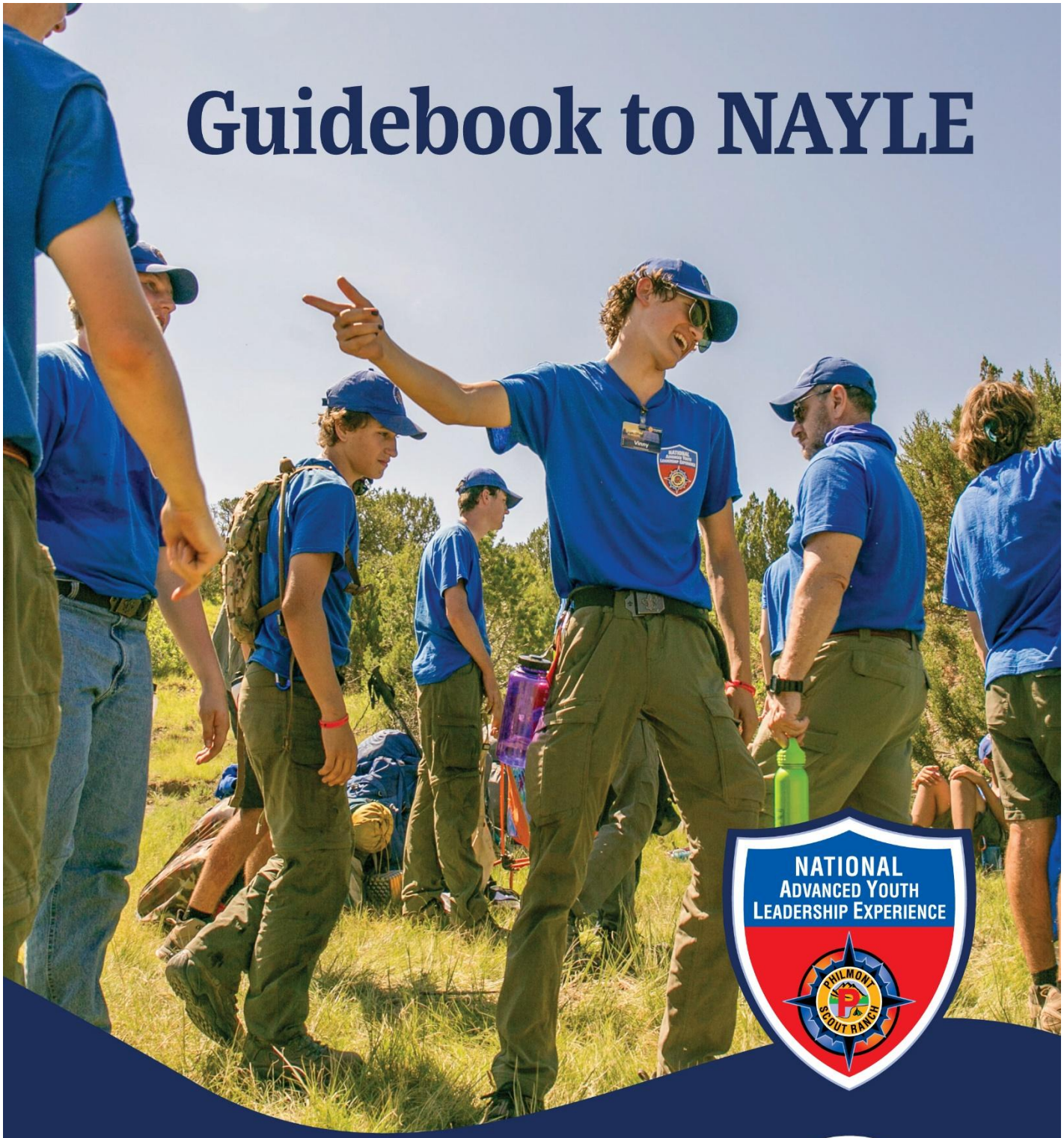
Guidebook to NAYLE



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National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience

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Welcome to NAYLE!

The National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) is a Scouting America program and the ultimate training experience for youth leaders. NAYLE will equip you to be a better leader, NYLT staff member, and camp staff member. The course is designed to provide you with a Philmont-based wilderness experience that motivates you to follow a life of servant leadership based on the values of Scouting.

The NAYLE program is conducted for older Scouts, both young men and women who have already completed National Youth Leadership Training. You will hone your skills in a team setting at Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp, one of Philmont's backcountry camps focused solely on leadership development. You will use NYLT leadership skills to resolve exciting and challenging backcountry situations. The week will conclude with a closing challenge for you to build upon the legacy of Waite Phillips, the benefactor of Philmont Scout Ranch.

This guidebook is intended to answer questions you may have about your NAYLE experience. Please review the information and share it with your family and unit leader. Included on the following page is a checklist that you must complete before leaving for Philmont!

We are excited that you are among the select youth who participate in one of Philmont's and Scouting America's outstanding programs.

Welcome to Philmont!

In the Spirit of Scouting,

Philmont Training Center Staff

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NAYLE CHECKLIST

- ❑ Read this entire Guidebook!
- ❑ Register for your course on the Philmont website.
- ☐ Pay all fees no later than 30 days before your NAYLE course begins!
- ☐ Submit your ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE PLANS (link will be emailed to you closer to your arrival date). If you are not sure what your travel plans are, please make sure to contact the PTC Office with this information no later than 30 days before your NAYLE course begins! Failure to complete this informaiton will result in delays for check-in and check-out.
    - If you require transportation from the airports in Denver, Colorado Springs, or Albuquerque, the Raton Amtrak Station, or the Raton Greyhound Bus Station, you must plan to arrive in time to meet the shuttle service. Philmont is not responsible for your transportation due to a missed shuttle! Click Here for information about shuttle services.
    - Your course begins promptly at 8:00am Sunday morning, Day 1 of your course.
- ☐ Complete a Scouting America Annual Health & Medical Record.
    - The Scouting America Annual Health & Medical Record **Parts A, B, & C** are required for NAYLE. You will receive an email with a link to upload your forms to the Philmont Gateway. This is required before arriving at Philmont. **Scouting America Medical Part C requires a doctor's signature.**
    - Bring prescription medications (in original container with label showing your name, directions for use, and prescribing practitioner). In addition to uploading your completed and signed medical forms, it is recommended that you bring with you a copy of the form including a copy of your health insurance card.
    - All participants of the NAYLE program must be in good physical condition and able to carry a 30-pound backpack and hike three miles with no restrictions. Participants will participate in a medical re-check on Day 1. If they do not meet the physical requirements, **including height and weight as listed on the medical form chart**, participants will not be allowed to participate in NAYLE and will be sent home at their own expense. Philmont reserves the right to approve participants hiking the Tooth of Time. Completing the Tooth hike is not a requirement of the course.
- ☐ Plan and prepare for any special dietary needs. See Dietary Section below.
- ☐ Participants and their parents must participate in a pre-NAYLE preparedness webinar where the course leadership will discuss course expectations, answer questions, and provide additional information about arrival and departure procedures. The course director will be in touch with the link for the pre-course meeting.

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Welcome to the National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience to be held at the Philmont Training Center – Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp (RRLC)! RRLC is approximately 8 miles from the Philmont Training Center at the southern end of Philmont Scout Ranch and sits in Philmont's backcountry at the foothills of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains. Your faculty are excited to introduce you to the NAYLE adventure!

Arrival:

- Check-In: 8:00am SHARP! on the first day of your course, Sunday.
  Check-In will take place at the Philmont Training Center Guest Services Office (See Driving Instructions at the end of this guidebook.)
- Early Arrivals: It is highly encouraged to arrive on Saturday the afternoon before your course begins. There is not an extra fee to take advantage of arriving early.
  - Participants arriving by airport or Raton Train shuttle must arrive on Saturday. This can be added by completing the Arrival/Departure information. Please plan to eat at the airport or bring snacks, as the shuttle may not make any stops enroute to Philmont and may occasionally run late due to traffic or weather.
  - Youth arriving on Saturday by private vehicle will need to complete the Arrival/Departure information at time of registering. Arrival time is between 3-4:30pm at the Philmont Training Center Guest Services Office. If your child arrives before 3pm an adult must stay with them as there will not be two deep leadership available prior to 3pm.
  - Parents needing overnight accommodations for arrival and departure can use the link on the PTC Website to select housing needs and meals.
- Be Prepared for check-in!
  - A signed, current Scouting America Annual Health & Medical Record Parts A, B & C is required. Forms must be uploaded to the Philmont Gateway prior to arriving. Bring any prescription medications in the original container with label showing your name, directions for use, and prescribing practitioner.
  - Bring all camping gear packed, transportable, and ready to go (see enclosed equipment list)
  - You must be paid in full before you arrive at Philmont. Late fees may apply if you arrive with payment due.
  - You will need to be in the complete and official Scouting America, Venturing, or Sea Scout Field Uniform to check-in. (Scouting America Khaki shirt, Scouting America green pants; long or short, Scouting America socks, Scout belt; Venturing Green shirt, Venturing Gray pants; long or short, Venturing socks, Scout belt. Substitution uniform pieces and kilts are not allowed!)
  - Please call home to let your family know you have arrived safely.
  - Confirm your departure plans with your Course Director during check-in.

Departure:

- Checkout time is 7:30am Saturday or earlier depending on your arranged transportation.
    - The NAYLE Closing Ceremony is open to the public and takes place at 8:00pm Friday on the Rayado Lawn. Pre-approved drivers may pick up their Scout following the Closing Ceremony. Drivers must show their driver's license before the Scout is released. Pre-approved drivers must arrange the pickup through your NAYLE Course Director before arriving for your course.
- Raton Train and Airport departures leave from the Camping Headquarters Welcome Center at prearranged times on Saturday. Please view shuttle information for departure times.
- Private transportation will meet their ride at the Camping Headquarters Welcome Center on Saturday by 7:30am. Only pre-approved drivers may pick up. Drivers will be required to show their driver's license before picking participants up.
- Parents needing overnight accommodations for arrival and departure can use the link on the PTC Website to select housing needs and meals.
- Philmont has limited availability for holdovers as we do not always have two deep leadership available for you to stay an extra day. You must make arrangements to leave on the day your course concludes.
- If a participant under the age of 18 is joining another Philmont program immediately Pre or Post their NAYLE course, you must arrange this prior to your course start date. Philmont does not always have two deep leadership available, and you may have to make other arrangements off site. Please send an email to Carrie.Hairston@scouting.org for availability.
- If a participant over the age of 18 is joining another Philmont program immediately Pre or Post their NAYLE course, you must arrange this prior to your course start date. Please contact Philmont.TrainingCenter@scouting.org to see about availability.

Family Adventure Camp & Training Conferences

Due to the remote location of Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp, you will not be available to visit family members during the week. However, we highly recommend your parents and family stay at the Philmont Training Center during your NAYLE week. There are exciting opportunities for training and Family Adventures while you are honing your leadership skills! For more information on available programs, please visit https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/ptc/.

Transportation

Airport shuttle services from Albuquerque, Denver, and Colorado Springs Airports are available for NAYLE participants. Shuttle times vary based on the airport.

Philmont partners with third party airport shuttle services. Philmont is not responsible for participants until they arrive at the ranch and after they depart on an airport shuttle. Please review information about each shuttle service as third-party vendors have different procedures and rules regarding transporting Scouts with "Unaccompanied Minor" airline status. For information about registering for a shuttle, please Click Here.

Philmont provides their own shuttle service that will pick up and drop off from the Raton Train Station, serving both the Amtrak trains and Greyhound Bus Station. Please refer to the Raton Train Shuttle Service form for more information. For information about registering for a shuttle, please Click Here.

Program Cost
The fee for the course is $645, a non-refundable deposit of $325 is due at the time of registration. Please see Philmont's Cancellation Policy for details of payment and cancellations. Lodging, meals, and course supplies are covered by this fee and begin on Saturday at 3pm, which includes the early arrival option for the course, going through 7:30am on the final course day.

Scholarships
Scholarships are available for Philmont NAYLE participants. Information and deadlines are available on Philmont's Website.

Camp and Camp Living
NAYLE living arrangements are much like council summer camps. NAYLE is a co-ed training experience. Team members may be male and female youth, with each team being responsible for preparing their daily meals. Sleeping quarters are in two-person wall tents with wooden platform floors. Separate tents will be used for male and female participants. Each participant is provided a cot and a mattress; you will need to bring your own sleeping bag and pillow.

Activities will be just that, ACTIVE! Teams spend most of the time outdoors. Showers and other conveniences are available in camp. An overnight backpacking trip is planned as part of the NAYLE program; Philmont will provide tents and backpacks if needed. Electric charging capability is not available at Rayado Ridge.

Uniform
The uniform is any official Scouts BSA, Venturing, or Sea Scout Field Uniform, Scouts BSA khaki shirt, green pants (short or long) Scouts BSA socks, Scout belt or Venturing green shirt; official gray Venturing pants (short or long), Venturing socks and Scout belt with the normal insignia; the complete Sea Scout uniform is also appropriate. Non-official, substitute uniform parts including kilts, are not allowed. The activity uniform that is worn most of the time consists of a NAYLE cap and NAYLE T-shirt (provided by Philmont) and Scouts BSA or Venturing shorts/pants. There is no need for civilian clothes during the course. You should report to the Training Center in a complete field uniform on the first day of your course.

One pair of long pants is required for the NAYLE Conservation project during the course.

Spending Money
You will have an opportunity to purchase a Philmont belt and NAYLE belt buckle during the course. You will also have an opportunity to visit the Tooth of Time Traders (trading post) during your stay at Philmont. Participants spend an average of $75 at Philmont's trading posts on gear, souvenirs, and snacks. At Rayado Ridge's Trading Post, cash and credit/debit cards are accepted. At the Tooth of Time Traders in Base Camp, cash, check, and credit/debit cards are all accepted.

Special Meals & Dietary Restrictions
Philmont is not able to accommodate special dietary needs in the backcountry, including Rayado Ridge. If such meals are necessary, you must provide your own shelf-stable food. Please discuss any special meal needs with your Course Director prior to arriving at Philmont. He/she will provide you with the details of the menu so that you can plan any substitutions. This includes special dietary foods such as those who are gluten intolerant or vegetarians.

Medical Form

All participants of the NAYLE program must be in good physical condition and able to backpack. A current **Scouting America Annual Health & Medical Form, Parts A, B & C** is required. Please pay special attention to the Height and Weight limits; all participants must meet these requirements - you will be checked when you arrive. If you do not meet the height and weight requirements, you will not be able to participate in certain portions of the course. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Philmont Training Center at Philmont.TrainingCenter@scouting.org. Per Scouting America policy, all medical forms must have a doctor's and parent/guardian's signature and be less than one year old. You will receive an email with a link to upload your medical form to the Philmont Gateway - **do not mail your medical form!** If you don't think your medical form was uploaded correctly, we recommend you bring a copy of the form and your insurance card with you.

Your Mailing Address at Philmont

Incoming mail is delivered daily to the PTC Office then taken to RRLC except Sunday, and outgoing mail is collected every day. Stamps can be purchased at the PTC Office or the Tooth of Time Traders for any outgoing mail. Mail should be properly addressed as indicated below:

Name of Scout
NAYLE (Dates of course)
Philmont Training Center
17 Deer Run Road Cimarron, NM 87714

Emergency Telephone

There is no landline phone service and minimal cell phone service at Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp. Only in emergency situations can you be contacted by telephone. Philmont's summer 24-hour service number is 575-376-2281. The caller will need to tell the Philmont operator your name, that you are attending NAYLE, and the message or number for you to call. The information will be relayed to you as soon as possible. If you bring a cell phone to Rayado Ridge: cell phone service is minimal, there is no charging capability, and its usage cannot interfere with the course experience. **Use of electronic devices is strongly discouraged during NAYLE.**

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Personal Equipment List

To help you plan and prepare your personal gear for NAYLE, please note the following:

1. You will spend five nights at Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp (RRLC) and one night at a backcountry campsite.
2. At RRLC, you will sleep in a two-person wall tent. The tents are on platforms and have cots with mattresses. At the backcountry site, you will sleep on the ground in two-person backpacking tents, a sleeping pad is highly recommended on the overnighter. Philmont will supply tents. You may bring your own two-person backpacking tent for use in the backcountry; however, you may be asked to share your tent with another person.
3. NAYLE is a co-ed training experience. Separate tents for male and female participants will be provided.
4. When you arrive at RRLC, you will walk from the road to your campsite, one-half (.5) mile away. You will need to carry all your gear in one trip. Due to the rocky terrain, rolling bags are highly discouraged; backpacks are the best method for carrying your clothes and gear. A backpack may be borrowed (with prior arrangement before the course) during check-in.
5. Your NAYLE experience involves a one-night backpacking trip. The hike will involve approximately three miles one way, starting at about 6,500 feet, with an elevation gain of about 375 feet. On this trip you will carry your personal gear plus your share of crew gear. Physical conditioning prior to the course is strongly encouraged.
6. You may have an opportunity to climb the Tooth of Time. This hike is a 5.25-mile roundtrip, is staff led, and is very strenuous due to the significant elevation change over short distance. It has a peak over 9,000 feet, with strenuous rock scrambles and rough terrain needing both hand and foot support. Participants should expect hot weather, minimal shade, and challenging terrain. This hike begins at dawn (bring a headlamp). Hiking the Tooth is not a requirement to complete the course.
7. Rain is always a possibility, and evenings can be very cool. Be Prepared!
8. Philmont is bear country and precautions must be taken to avoid attracting bears to the campsites. All items that have an odor (smellables) are stored in an appropriate manner and containers. You should bring a stuff sack, small container, or large Ziploc bag in which to store these items. A thorough briefing on bear safety and smellables will be provided on the first day of the course.
9. You will always wear either an official Scouting America field uniform (Scouting America or Venturing) for your program area or a Scouting America activity uniform during the course. A field uniform includes the official Scouting America or official Venturing uniform shirt and insignia; official Scouting America or official Venturing shorts or long pants, official Scouting America or official Venturing socks and a Scout belt. The official Sea Scout blue uniform is also appropriate. An activity uniform is the same as your field uniform except you will wear the NAYLE T-shirt instead of your uniform shirt. Only official uniform parts are allowed - no substitutions are permitted! Kilts are not allowed! The NAYLE cap is part of the uniform.
10. Long pants are required for the Conservation project during the NAYLE program.
11. Your course fee includes 2 NAYLE T-shirts and a NAYLE cap. Additional T-shirts may be available for purchase. You will also have an opportunity to purchase a NAYLE belt buckle, Philmont belt, and NAYLE fleece jacket.
12. There is no opportunity to do laundry during the course.

Personal Gear List

Required Items:

- ☐ Large internal or external frame backpack**
- ☐ Rain cover for backpack (trash bags are *not* acceptable)
- ☐ Daypack
- ☐ Rain jacket and rain pants (no ponchos)
- ☐ Sleeping bag rated at least 30 degrees.
- ☐ Water-Resistant Sleeping Bag Stuff Sack
- ☐ Sleeping pad
- ☐ Hiking boots (broken-in)
- ☐ Camp shoes (Crocs or tennis shoes – no open-toed shoes)
- ☐ 3 water bottles (1 quart/liter each)
- ☐ Flashlight with extra batteries
- ☐ 1 Scouting America or Venturing field uniform shirt
- ☐ 2 Scouting America or Venturing shorts or long pants***
- ☐ At least 3 pairs of Scouting America or Venturing uniform socks
- ☐ Scouting belt
- ☐ Hiking socks (1 pair)
- ☐ Sweatshirt, sweater, or fleece jacket
- ☐ Stocking cap and gloves
- ☐ Sleep clothes (worn only for sleeping)
- ☐ Underwear
- ☐ Watch
- ☐ Comb or Brush
- ☐ Toothbrush/toothpaste*
- ☐ Soap (in a container) *
- ☐ Shampoo*
- ☐ Deodorant*
- ☐ Towel and washcloth*
- ☐ Sunscreen*
- ☐ Chapstick*
- ☐ Prescription/OTC medications*
- ☐ Personal first aid kit*
- ☐ Insect repellent (non-aerosol) *
- ☐ Nylon stuff sack or large Ziploc bag (for storing smellables*)
- ☐ Cup, bowl, and spoon (plastic or metal)
- ☐ Mesh dunk bag for washing personal dishes
- ☐ Pens and small notebook
- ☐ Extra 1-gallon Ziploc bags and trash bags

**Indicates smellable items that must be stored in an appropriate manner at Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp and the overnight site. Pack these items together in a separate bag (stuff sack or large Ziploc bag).*

*** Can be provided by Philmont for the backcountry experience if requested in advance.*

****IMPORTANT **one pair of long pants is required** for the conservation project.*

Optional Items:

- ❑ Trekking or hiking poles
- ❑ Small pillow
- ❑ Small camp chair, stool, or Crazy Creek type chair (you must be able to carry)
- ❑ **Small** Pocketknife or multi-tool
- ❑ Duffle bag (if needed – but you must be able to carry it 0.5 miles!)
- ❑ Sunglasses
- ❑ Compass
- ❑ Feminine Hygiene Supplies
- ❑ Musical instrument or Camera
- ❑ Money (cash or credit/debit cards) to purchase extra T-shirts, belt buckle, etc. at Rayado Ridge
- ❑ Bandanas (1 or 2)

Philmont Provides:

- Wall tents, cots, and mattresses at Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp; backpacking tents for backcountry experience
- Dining fly's
- Stoves, fuel, cooking gear
- Cleaning supplies & Toilet Paper
- Large water container
- Meal ingredients **(do not bring any food unless required for medical or religious dietary needs; advise your Course Director.)**
- Water purification tablets (for use in the backcountry)
- Bear Boxes and Bags

Driving Instructions

Navigation Address: 32 Orchard Circle, Cimarron, NM 87714

From Denver or Colorado Springs:
Go south on Interstate 25 to Raton, New Mexico. Four miles south of Raton take Exit 446 onto Highway 64 and drive about 40 miles to Cimarron.

From Albuquerque:
Go north on Interstate 25 about 200 miles to Springer, New Mexico. Three miles north of Springer, take Exit 419 onto Highway 58 and drive about 20 miles to Cimarron.

From Taos:
Stay on Highway 64 toward Angel Fire (east of Taos). You travel through Taos Canyon, Eagle Nest, and Cimarron Canyon, to reach Cimarron.

Once in Cimarron:
When you reach Cimarron, turn south on State Highway 21 and drive approximately 4 miles to Philmont Scout Ranch. As you enter Philmont, you will see several buildings before you reach your destination; these buildings are other parts of Philmont Base Camp, such as the Administration Building.

Look for the brown Philmont Training Center sign near mile-marker 4 and turn left onto Orchard Circle. The Villa Philmonte, the Mediterranean-style home of the Phillips family, is located on the grounds of the Philmont Training Center and will serve as a guide to those arriving by car.

Parking is available near terrace tents, luxury tents, and roofed housing areas, however, these spaces are limited, and you may be asked to park in long-term parking. Electricity is not available for charging electric vehicles. Orchard Circle is a one-way road, speed limit is 15mph.