



2011 Philmont Scout Ranch Trek General Information for Shenandoah Area Council

ABOUT PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH

The Philmont Scout Ranch is located in Cimarron, New Mexico, and is the Boy Scouts of America's oldest national high-adventure base. Its 34 staffed camps and 55 trail camps provide an unforgettable adventure in the high country along hundreds of miles of rugged, rocky trails.

DATES

The dates of the 2011 Philmont Trek will be sometime in late June to early July 2011. The approximately 18 day adventure includes 12 days at the Philmont BSA Ranch. Prior to arriving at Philmont, the 2011 Adult Advisors will plan pre-trek activities over 4-5 days allowing for all to acclimate to the altitude (9,000-14,000 feet), and have fun while visiting and exploring the high country of Colorado and New Mexico. Some activities from previous years included whitewater rafting on the famous Arkansas River, SkyCoaster activity over the Royal Gorge, visits to the US Naval Academy, the US Olympic Training Center, and an overnight stay at the Koshari Indian Museum.

PARTICIPANTS

Shenandoah Area Council (SAC) is looking for 40 youth participants (boys and girls) and 10 adults interested in a fabulous wilderness adventure! There will be approximately three crews of twelve people per crew. Each crew consists of 9-10 youth and 2-3 Adult Advisors. The Group will have 27-30 youth and 6-9 Adult Advisors in total. (Note: SAC sent FOUR crews in 2009—the highest number in our history!) Register with the SAC-BSA office beginning September 1, 2009.

QUALIFICATIONS—A Philmont Participants must:

1. be age 14 by 1-1-2011 or have completed the eighth grade.
2. be First Class before the trip.
3. be approved by the SAC Philmont Committee.
4. file an acceptable Personal Health and Medical Record Form.
5. meet the Philmont height and weight guidelines.
6. participate in ALL scheduled training hikes (~4), overnights, & meetings (~4).
7. keep payments up to date as scheduled.

For more information about Philmont—go to Web URL address:

<http://www.scouting.org/scoutsource/HighAdventure/Philmont/AboutPhilmont.aspx>

