

2026 PHILMONT EXPEDITION

UNIT REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Unit reservation requests for 2026 Expeditions (12-day, 9-day, 7-day, Cavalcade) at Philmont Scout Ranch can be submitted online from October 1 to October 16, 2024. Please review this information thoroughly for details on the process, fees, and attendance requirements. The following information is provided to help your unit with the reservation request process.

- 1) Reservation requests for 12-day, 9-day, 7-day, and Cavalcade Expeditions will be accepted online from October 1, 2024, at 9 a.m. MDT to October 16, 2024, at noon MDT. The selection process is entirely random, and early registration does not receive priority.
- 2) Units may submit only one reservation request during this process. However, the request can include multiple arrival dates and trek types for consideration. Please provide at least 5 preferred options.
- 3) The attached worksheet is designed to help you gather the necessary information for submitting your online reservation. Please DO NOT send the worksheet to Philmont.
- 4) A unit representative may submit a reservation request for members of their chartered unit only and can request more than one crew (crew size = 8 to 12 participants). However, please be realistic when estimating attendance to avoid unnecessary expenses (forfeited fees) and to allow more units the opportunity to secure a reservation. Use the formula on the attached worksheet to determine the appropriate number of crews for your request.
- 5) Unit representatives can log on to <https://registerphilmont.org/entry/2026> starting October 1st. The system will prompt the representative to create a password, which will allow for changes or corrections to the reservation entry throughout the reservation request window. Please be sure to save this password. A confirmation email will be sent upon completion of the reservation request process.
- 6) After the reservation request window closes on October 16th, units will be randomly selected to receive reservations. Once capacity for 2026 is reached, additional groups will be placed on a Wait List to fill any cancellations. Philmont will manage the Wait List and notify the next available group via email if one of their preferred dates becomes available.
- 7) Reservations cannot be transferred from one year to the next.
- 8) After the computer selection process is completed on October 16th, each representative will receive an email with their unit's status. Expect to receive this email within 24 hours after reservation request window closes.
- 9) Units that secure a reservation will receive a confirmation email with a link to access the 2026 Invoice. A non-refundable deposit of \$150 per participant is due by December 1.
- 10) For questions about the 2026 registration process, please contact Philmont Scout Ranch via email at Philmont.camping@scouting.org or by phone at 575-376-1139.

2026 PHILMONT EXPEDITION REQUEST WORKSHEET

(Please DO NOT mail this worksheet to Philmont)

- Visit <https://registerphilmont.org/entry/2026>
- October 1 at 9am MDT through October 16, 2024, at Noon, MDT
- A unit representative may enter the reservation system anytime between the opening/closing of registration.

Please complete all information on this worksheet before making your online reservation request:

Unit Information

Unit #: _____ Council Name: _____

Unit Type: Troop Venturing Crew Explorer Post

Sponsoring Organization: _____

Reservation Contact Information - Your Personal Information

Date of Birth	First Name	MI	Last Name	Nickname (opt)
---------------	------------	----	-----------	----------------

Address Line 1	Address Line 2
----------------	----------------

City	State	Zip Code	BSA ID #
------	-------	----------	----------

Phone Numbers – Include at least 2 (adults only)

Home phone	Cell phone	Work phone
------------	------------	------------

Email	Alternate email (opt)
-------	-----------------------

Number of Participants

_____ Participants must be 14 years of age by date of arrival OR be 13 years of age and completed 8th grade

of youth

_____ 21 years of age or older; limited to 4 per crew

of adults

_____ Maximum crew size 12, minimum size 8

Total #

Please use this formula to determine the number of crews you will reserve:

*Example: 16 youth + 4 adults = 20 ÷ 12 = 1.66 crews – round to 2 crews

_____ + _____ = _____ ÷ 12 = _____
of youth # of adults # of participants # of crews (round up)

12-Day Expedition Arrival Dates: EVERY day from June 8 through July 29

9-Day Expedition Arrival Dates: EVERY day from June 8 through August 1

7-Day Expedition Arrival Dates: EVERY day from June 8 through August 3

Cavalcade Expedition Arrival Dates: JUNE: 7, 8, 16, 17, 25, 26 JULY: 5, 6, 15, 16, 25, 26 AUGUST: 2

On the reservation request website, you must do item number 1 and/or item 2:

1. Prioritize a **minimum of 5** preferable arrival dates.
2. Specify all arrival dates that would work for your group or select 1st available if your group is flexible.

2026 PHILMONT EXPEDITION INFORMATION

The Philmont Experience

Philmont Scout Ranch offers a unique experience that is not risk-free. Knowledgeable staff will instruct all participants in safety measures to be followed. Be prepared to listen to and carefully follow these safety measures and to accept responsibility for the health and safety of yourself and others.

Each participant must be able to carry a 35 to 50-pound pack while hiking 5 to 12 miles per day in an isolated mountain wilderness ranging from 6,500 to 12,500 feet in elevation. Summer/autumn climatic conditions include temperatures from 30 to 100 degrees, low humidity (10 to 30 percent), and frequent, sometimes severe thunderstorms. Activities include horseback riding, rock climbing and rappelling, challenge events, pole climbing, Range and Target Activities, trail building, mountain biking, and other activities that have potential for injury. Philmont requires that all participants meet the height/weight limits found on the BSA Medical Form and the website.

Fees/Payments

The Philmont fee is charged for every participant, including adult advisors. A deposit of \$150.00 per participant is required to hold your reservation (a crew is 8-12 participants) and is due approximately 30-45 days after receiving a reservation confirmation email. Each group must pay half of the balance of fees by October 1, 2025, with the final payment due March 1, 2026.

ALL fees (Deposit and Balances as indicated in the payment schedule) are NON-REFUNDABLE and NON-TRANSFERABLE to the balance of fees in the event of cancellation. Be cautious of making reservations or paying fees for those who have not made a financial commitment. Philmont must commit financial resources to employ staff, purchase food and supplies, and prepare for summer operations.

2026 Fee Payment Schedule

Payment Type	AMOUNT DUE (Per Person)				DUE DATE
	12-Day Trek	9-Day Trek	7-Day Trek	Cavalcade	
Deposit	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	\$150.00	December 1, 2024
50% Of Balance	\$787.50	\$735.00	\$622.50	\$607.50	October 1, 2025
Balance Due	\$787.50	\$735.00	\$622.50	\$607.50	March 1, 2026
TOTAL	\$1725.00	\$1620.00	\$1395.00	\$1365.00	

Age Requirement

Participants must be registered members of Scouting America who are 14 years of age **or** 13 and completed 8th grade at the time of participation. Please do NOT request or expect any exceptions to this rule.

Adult Leadership

The best available adult leadership should be recruited to accompany each crew. THREE (3) registered adult leaders 21 years of age or over are required. There must be a registered female adult leader over 21 in every unit serving females and for any activity involving female youth. **Each crew is required to have a majority of youth participants; the maximum number of adults (21 years and over) is four (4) per crew.**

2026 Cavalcades

Participants of Philmont Cavalcades ride horseback over some of Philmont's most scenic trails and acquire riding and packing skills long used in the American West. Philmont offers 8-day Cavalcades on specified dates. The crew size is 10-15 participants, including leaders. There is a **200-pound weight limit for all riders, NO EXCEPTIONS.**

Scholarships

Waite Phillips Scholarships are available, so youth have an opportunity to participate in a Philmont Scout Ranch experience. Information on these scholarships is sent by Philmont to Councils with contingents and to each Unit Reservation Contact. Notification of scholarship allocation and application processes will take place on or before October 1, 2025, for 2026 Reservations.