

# Philmont in 2020

## with the SDIC Council Contingent

Are you interested in attending Philmont but your unit is not planning a Philmont adventure in the summer of 2020? Then the SDIC Council Philmont Contingent is what you are looking for!

To help make the adventure of a Philmont trek available to as many youth in the council as possible, SDIC sponsors a Council-wide contingent to Philmont for those youth who can't be in a trek with their unit, either because their unit does not have enough older youth to fill a trek, or because the unit trek is already full, because of their age they will not be able to attend with their unit, or even because of other obligations interfering with the dates their unit is using (school or other obligations).

If you think you might be interested in attending Philmont, read the SDIC Philmont Contingent flyer, and attend an Information meeting. There you can learn all about Philmont and what it takes to attend as part of the SDIC Council Contingent.

If you have questions, you can call me or email anytime.

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# San Diego Imperial Council PHILMONT 2020

## Information Meetings in October and November, 2018 Dates and times to be announced at the end of summer

Don't miss out on your chance for a High Adventure Trek at Philmont in 2020! Philmont Scout Ranch provides an unforgettable adventure along its hundreds of miles of rugged, rocky trails. Program features combine the best of Backpacking – great trails, great views, mountains (from 6500 to 12441 feet), staffed and backcountry campsites, as well as adventures from the Old West—horseback riding, burro packing and racing, gold panning, chuckwagon dinners and western cantina, spar pole climbing, lumberjack games, blacksmithing, steam railroading, and interpretive history, with exciting challenges for today—rock climbing and rappelling, mountain biking, and rifle, shotgun, pistol and black powder shooting, geocaching, and COPE challenge events (even High COPE!), in an unbeatable recipe for fast-moving outdoor fun.

The Philmont expedition will be July 18 to August 2, 2020. We will be taking the train to Raton from Riverside station, leaving in the evening of July 18, and returning in the early morning on August 2, for a total of 16 days. All expenses on the train and at Philmont are covered in the fee, except for souvenirs or personal incidentals.

Scouts must be 14 years or older, or be 13 yr. old **and** have completed the 8<sup>th</sup> grade by summer of 2020. Venture Crew members (both male and female) are eligible up to 21 years old. Space is limited; crew size is a maximum of 12 (8 Scouts and 4 adults), with up to 4 crews participating (48 people total). Scouts must be First Class rank or above.

There will be business meetings, weekend training campouts and day hikes during the time leading up to departure in 2020. On these events the Philmont crew will spend time developing group dynamics, and learning backpacking skills and other techniques to ensure a comfortable, fun, and safe trip. Training as a crew is important and participation at these campouts is essential.

**Total trip cost -- \$1500.** This includes transportation, food to and from Philmont, some training camps, some crew gear, and the Philmont fee. This is less than \$100 per month from now to the time we leave. Cost may change depending on transportation costs. Scholarships from Philmont, from your charter organization, or other sources may be available to help cover a portion of the costs. These will be discussed at the information meeting.

**Additional cost per crew member for required personal gear will vary, depending on what is needed (for instance, packs, sleeping bags, rain gear, etc). Crew required gear is included in the cost.**

Contact John Saxer (jsaxer@cox.net) or (858) 395-4581 with questions.

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**Yes! I am interested in going to Philmont in 2020!**

Scout Name \_\_\_\_\_ Male Female (circle one)

Troop/Crew \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Age/Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parent interested in attending as an Adult Advisor Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_