

Philmont Training Center

Any registered Scouter who is interested in learning how to provide a better, stronger Scouting program is invited to attend. Scouters are encouraged to bring their immediate family members.

The Philmont Training Center (PTC) is nestled in the foothills of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains of northeastern New Mexico near Cimarron. Rich in history and natural beauty, this area offers exciting educational experiences for the entire family. PTC has served as the National Training Center for the Boy Scouts of America since 1950. A variety of week-long conferences will be conducted for unit, district, and council volunteers and professionals. Each conference features the latest tools, audiovisuals, and techniques led by a faculty of experienced Scouters. In addition to hosting these Conferences, the Training Center also provides the opportunity for families to join their Scouters and enjoy a wide range of Family Programs—making the Philmont Training Center experience one of a kind. Our summer staff will lead hikes, tours, handicrafts, and other outdoor activities. A week-long backcountry Mountain Trek is offered for Venturing-aged youth (Except Fall Conference).

Conferences:

Over 80 separate week-long conferences are scheduled. Conferences will cover almost every aspect of Scouting—from Cub Scouting and Boy Scouting to Council and District Operations, from Venturing and Professional Development to Advancement and Finance. The conferences are conducted by the Volunteer Training Team in the Program Impact Department of the National Council and are led by a faculty of outstanding volunteer and professional Scouters. Each conference is designed to discuss specific Scouting issues, share information from all over the BSA, and train using the “best methods” that will enhance the Scouting program for youth and adults. While conference time is important, ample opportunity for a Scouter to enjoy the majesty of Philmont with his or her family is part of the schedule of most conferences.

Facilities:

Tent cities accommodate Training Center participants and their families. Tents are large, two person wall tents with wooden or concrete floors, electric lights, an electrical outlet, wardrobe, and two twin-sized beds with mattresses. Each tent city has restrooms, hot showers, and family shower houses. Cots and cribs are available for use during the week.

Conferences are conducted in fully equipped conference rooms or at various locations in Philmont’s backcountry. Family Program facilities include the Small Fry Center, the Handicraft building, and our Pony Ring. However, most of the time family members will be enjoying the best facility of all—Philmont’s 137,493 acres of “Scouting Paradise.”

Family Program:

The Philmont Training Center offers a full, organized program for every member of the family—from infants to spouses. Family members are joined by others in their age group to participate in carefully designed, age-appropriate programs under the leadership of trained and experienced Philmont staff.

For more information go www.PhillmontTrainingCenter.org. or call Harold Young at 214-902-6776.