Labor Day Family Camp

Participant Guide



August 29-31, 2025

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Dear Scouts, Scouters, and Families,

We welcome you to spend Labor Day Weekend with us, celebrating Scouting and all that nature has to offer in a majestic redwood forest and surrounded by a rich history born of the logging industry that created the Boulder Creek Area in the 19th century. You will experience a full camp program where your families may enjoy handicraft, nature, shooting sports, and climbing. On top of this, there will be a campfire, a nature hike, and ample time for recreation and relaxation.

This family camping opportunity is open to all Scouting families. The programs are varied enough to appeal to all ages and stages.

To help you better prepare for their outdoor experience, this guide contains resources including schedules, a description of programs offered, policies, and other general information to make the weekend as enjoyable as possible. Our staff and volunteers thank you for choosing to spend your Labor Day weekend with us at Chesebrough Scout Reservation. You will experience exceptional outdoor experiences that will enable you to learn a variety of life skills in a safe and fun environment.

Yours in scouting,

Bill Stevenson Dianne Betz Colby Broadhaus

Camp Director Assistant Camp Director SVMBC Program Director

Labor Day Family Camp 2025

Friday, August 29 - Sunday, September 1, 2025

Logistics

Arrival

Please arrive in camp no earlier than 5:00 PM on Friday so that staff can have time to prepare to serve you. If you arrive before 5:00 PM, please wait at Sempervirens Point, across Highway 9 from the camp entrance. From 5:00 to 8:00 PM, staff will be stationed at the parking lot entrance to check you in and direct you to your campsite. If you arrive after 8:00 PM or on Saturday, please check in at the Administration Building. Carpooling is highly encouraged due to limited parking capacity.

Camp is located off Highway 9, 1.5 Miles from the Hwy 9 and Hwy 35 stop sign, across from Sempervirens Point and is adjacent to Castle Rock State Park and Long Ridge Open Space Preserve. Please drive slowly on the camp road!

Check-in Process

Please have all forms ready before arriving in camp. Upon entering camp, you will be greeted by a staffer who will confirm your registration, collect medical and shooting sports forms, issue you a wristband, and direct you to your campsite. There is no parking at the campsites; vehicles will only be allowed to drive to campsites to drop off gear. The campsites and roads can only accommodate a few vehicles at a time, so please drive back to the parking lot after unloading your gear and before setting up your campsite. Drivers will be instructed where to queue their vehicles. Once gear has been dropped off (by 8:30 PM Friday), vehicles are to remain in the parking lot for the duration of the event. Only high-clearance vehicles are permitted to drive to the upper campsites.

Departure

Please check out at the Administration Building before departing. Your medical forms will be returned to you. Please plan on departing no later than 12:00 PM on Sunday. A survey will be sent to you after camp.

Security

All persons on the premises must wear an issued wristband. Wristbands will be issued at check in. If you arrive after 8:00 PM on Friday or lose your wristband, please report to the Administration Building as soon as possible to be issued a new one. Wristbands will be checked at all program areas and meals. We want to make sure that everyone at Chesebrough is registered and safe to be around youth.

Communication

There is no cell service in camp and limited reception outside of camp. There is a phone in the Administration Building for staff business and emergency calls. Staff have two-way radios for staff communication only. The camp phone number is (408) 868-9278.

WiFi

WiFi is available in central facilities. WiFi tickets may be purchased in 300 MB increments for \$10 at the Trading Post. Please be respectful of the natural environment and use WiFi for essential purposes only and away from Scouts.

Emergency Drill

Recent natural disasters such as wildfires emphasize the Scout motto, "Be Prepared". We will be having an emergency drill on Saturday morning to demonstrate our emergency protocols. Upon hearing the alarm, all campers are to report to the Flag Meadow and line up by unit. Campers will be dismissed for lunch when the drill is complete.

Camping

Campsites

Campsites will be pre-assigned. You will be notified of your campsite before you head down to Camp. You will be sharing a campsite, including the fire pit and hutch, with other units and families, so please try to keep your group contained. **A Scout is Friendly!**

Gear

There are no tents or mattresses provided in the campsites. Please bring your own. Temperatures should be in the 40's at night and 70's and 80's during the day. Campsites have water but no electricity.

Bathrooms and Showers

To conserve water and as a courtesy to other campers, please limit showers to 3 minutes. Facilities are maintained by the camp, but your assistance in keeping them clean is appreciated. If you have a concern, please contact a commissioner and we will work to resolve it. Per Youth Protection Guidelines, shower facilities will be open to Youth under 18 for the first half of each hour and to 18 and older for the second half of each hour. These hours will be posted.

Meals

The following meals are provided in the dining area between the kitchen and the Lodge. Before all meals, we will have an assembly at the Flag Meadow.

Friday – Cracker Barrel Saturday – Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner Sunday – Breakfast

Dishwashing

Dishwashing is not allowed in washstands, sinks, or showers. Dishes should be washed in basins or pots. Discard all solid food waste in trash cans.

Fires

- 1. Chesebrough Scout Reservation is in a fire prone area
- 2. Fires may only be made in established rings
- 3. Fires must be below knee high
- 4. Fires must be supervised by an adult at all times
- 5. Fires must be cold out when not attended
- 6. All firewood must be dead and down
- 7. Do not bring firewood to camp. This prevents the spread of diseases and we have plenty of wood.

Patrols

We will be dividing the campers into 6 Patrols. Each Patrol will be assigned a meal for serving and cleaning and time slots for each program area. Patrols will be assigned before arrival and are named after Santa Cruz Mountain wildlife.

Trading Post

The Trading Post will be operating next to the Administration Building with limited hours after each meal.

Program

The following program areas will be open, with time slots for each area assigned to each patrol.

Climbing

The climbing wall will be open under qualified supervision. All ages may climb; Scouts and Venturers may belay. If it rains, the climbing program may be suspended for your safety.

Leatherworking

Leatherworking will take place in the "Corral" area near the flag meadow.

Self-Guided Nature Hike / Siesta

Pamphlets will be available to guide interested hikers around the camp's natural beauty.

Shooting Sports

We will offer BB gun shooting and archery under highly qualified supervision. A firearm permission form (included at the end of this guide) signed by the youth's parents is required for all youth participants.

Campfire Program

On Saturday night, we will be hosting a full campfire program at the Campfire Bowl. Units will be given time to prepare skits and songs for inclusion as part of the Saturday program. Skits should not exceed 3 minutes and must be Scouting appropriate. The campfire program will take about 1 hour.

Sports

Sports will be by the flag meadow Sunday after breakfast. Scouts will have the opportunity to try out several sports including human foosball and volleyball.

Water Rockets

Water rockets will be assembled and launched Sunday after breakfast. See how high yours can go!

Arts and Crafts

On Sunday after breakfast we will have an arts and crafts activity at the "Corral" area near the flag meadow.

Flag Ceremonies

Flag ceremonies will take place in the Flag Meadow, morning and evening. After each ceremony, staff will provide important program announcements. Participants should wear their uniform to flag ceremonies.

Schedule

Friday 29 August					
Time	Time Event				
5:00 - 8:00 PM	Checkin	Camp Entrance			
5:00 - 7:30 PM	Games	Lodge			
7:30 - 9:00 PM	Movie	Lodge			
8:00 - 8:30 PM	Cracker Barrel	Lodge			
8:30 - 8:45 PM	Leader Meeting	Lodge			
9:00 - 10:00 PM	Troop Campfire Time	Campsites			
10:00 PM	Taps / Quiet Time	Camp Wide			

Saturday 30 August					
7:00 AM	7:00 AM Reville Camp Wide				
7:45 AM - 8:00 AM	Flags	Flag Meadow			
8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Breakfast Dining Area				
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Trading Post Open	Lodge			
9:00 AM - 9:50 AM Session 1		Program Areas			
10:00 AM - 10:50 AM	Session 2	Program Areas			
11:00 AM - 11:50 AM	Session 3	Program Areas			
11:50 AM - 12:00 PM	Safety Drill	Flag Meadow			
12:00 PM - 12:30 PM	Lunch	Dining Area			
12:30 PM - 1:00 PM	Free Time	Campsites			
12:30 PM - 1:00 PM	Trading Post Open	Lodge			
1:00 PM - 1:50 PM	Session 4	Program Areas			
2:00 PM - 2:50 PM	Session 5	Program Areas			
3:00 PM - 3:50 PM	:00 PM - 3:50 PM Session 6				
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM	4:00 PM - 5:30 PM Free TIme (
5:30 PM - 6:00 PM	Flags	Flag Meadow			
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Dinner	Dining Area			
7:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Free Time	Campsites			
7:00 PM - 7:30 PM	Trading Post Open	Lodge			
7:30 PM - 8:30 PM	Campfire	Campfire Bowl			
8:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Cracker Barrel	Lodge			
9:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Troop Campfire Time	Campsites			
10:00 PM	Taps / Quiet Time	Camp Wide			

Sunday 31 August				
7:00 AM Reville		Camp Wide		
7:45 AM - 8:00 AM	1 - 8:00 AM Flags Flag Mead			
8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	8:30 AM Breakfast Dining Area			
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	M Morning Programming Program Areas			
10:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Campsite Cleanup	Campsites		
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Campsite Inspections	Campsites		
11:30 AM	AM Checkout Ends Camp Wide			

Safety and Policies

Emergencies

If you spot an emergency, please immediately report it to a staff member. In the event of a camp- wide emergency, you will hear three air horn blasts. Report to the Valley Lodge immediately for further instructions.

Medical Forms

All participants must have Part A and Part B of the BSA Medical Form completed and in camp with their unit leader.

Parking and Vehicles

ALL VEHICLES MUST BE BACKED INTO DESIGNATED PARKING AREAS. You are permitted to drive your vehicle to your campsite to unload equipment. However, after unloading gear, please return your vehicle to the main parking lot. Please make sure you do not block emergency vehicle access roads. ALL vehicles MUST have minimum California insurance coverage. Seat belts must be used. RIDING IN THE BED OF A PICKUP TRUCK IS ILLEGAL IN CALIFORNIA AND THEREFORE NOT ALLOWED ON CAMP PROPERTY. Due to limited parking availability, carpooling is highly encouraged.

Bicycles

Bicycles are not permitted in camp.

Insurance

The Council does not provide medical insurance for families attending Family Weekend Camp. Please have your family's health insurance information with you. A medic will be on site to assist with medical issues. The nearest hospital is:

El Camino Hospital Los Gatos 815 Pollard Road Los Gatos, CA 95032-1438 408-378-6131

To access, return to Hwy 9 and turn left toward Saratoga. Continue on Saratoga Ave. Turn right onto Fruitvale Ave and go 0.3 mi. Turn left onto Allendale Ave and go 1.2 mi. Turn right onto Quito Rd and go 0.3 mi. Turn left onto Pollard Rd and the destination will be on the left in 1.4 mi.

Pets

For ecosystem protection, and for your pet's safety, pets are not permitted in Camp

Camp Telephone

We do not have a public telephone. The camp telephone is for camp business and emergencies only. Adults should plan to not have telephone access while at camp.

Alcohol and Drugs

Scouting America and the Silicon Valley Monterey Bay Council prohibits the use of alcoholic beverages and controlled substances at encampments or activities on property owned and/or operated by Scouting America, or at any activity involving participation of youth members.

Smoking

Adult leaders should support the attitude that they, as well as youth, are better off without tobacco in any form and may not allow the use of tobacco products at any BSA activity involving youth participants. This includes the use of electronic cigarettes, personal vaporizers, or electronic nicotine delivery systems that simulate tobacco smoking. The ONLY smoking area in camp is inside the vehicle that you came to camp in and out of view of Scouts. State Park regulations prohibit smoking in the forest or along any trails. This applies to both traditional and electronic products.

Marijuana

It is unacceptable for anyone to use or be under the influence of medical or recreational marijuana at or during any Scouting activity.

Illegal drugs and alcoholic beverages are strictly forbidden at the camp. No exceptions. Scouts or leaders found possessing illegal substances will be dismissed from camp immediately. We maintain a zero tolerance policy for drugs and alcohol and will cooperate with appropriate authorities in any investigation regarding violations of this policy. Anyone under 18 observed smoking may be asked to leave camp.

Adult Leader and Parent Responsibilities

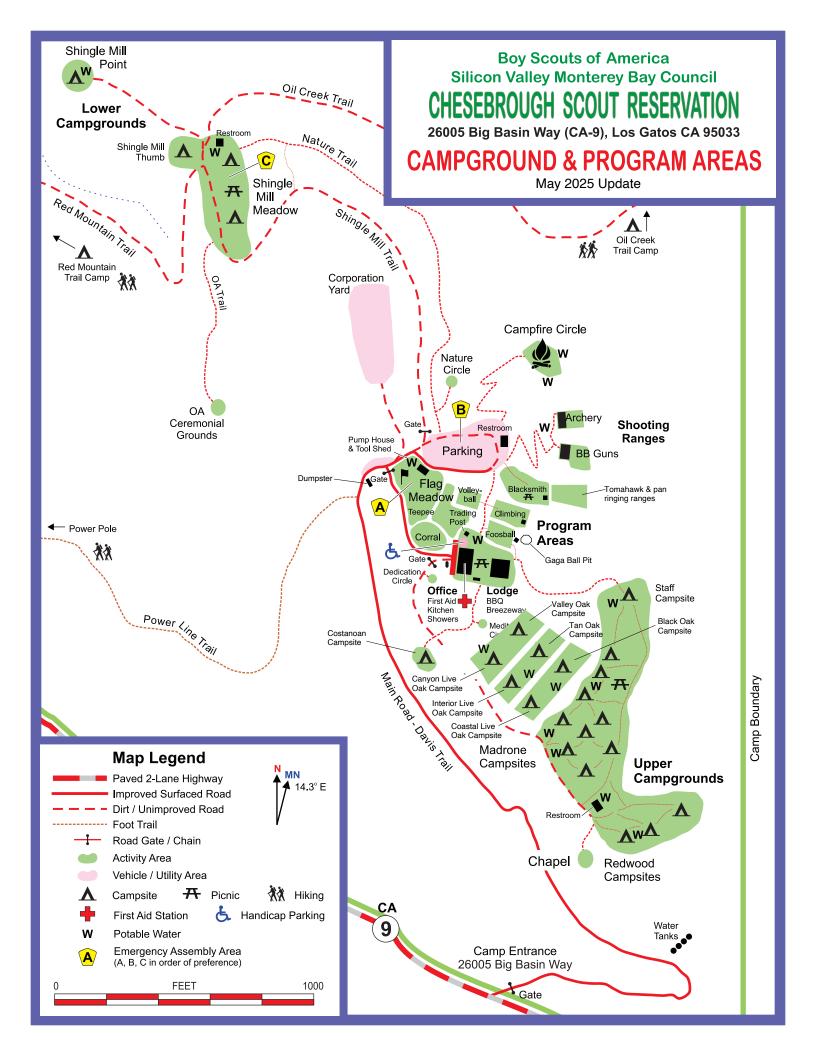
Adult leaders and parents are among the most important people in camp. You are with your scouts 52 weeks a year and know them better than anyone else at camp. It is the responsibility of troop leaders to do the following:

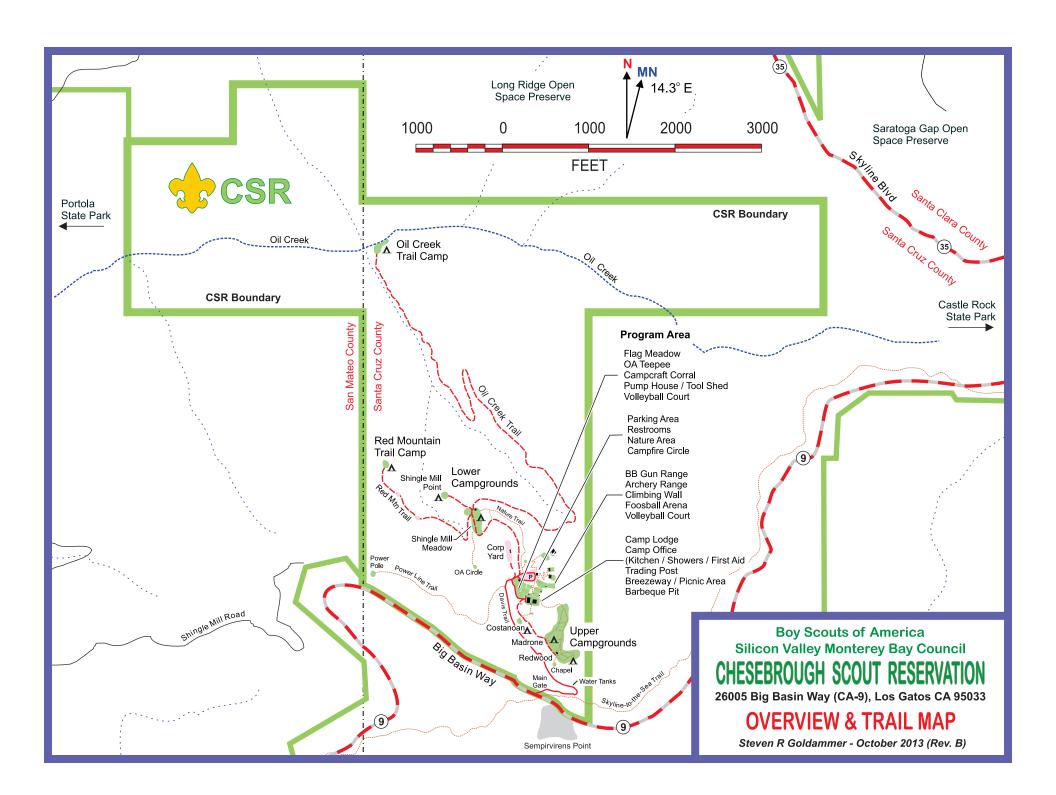
- Monitor the behavior of their scouts and enforce camp rules and policies. Adults should know
 where their scouts are at all times and be aware of the activities they are involved in. The 12 points
 of the Scout Law guide our camp. All campers' and staffs' conduct is judged by how it measures
 up against these guidelines. We cannot tolerate and will not permit activities that do not meet the
 criteria of the standards set by the Scout Law.
- Enforce the buddy system. The buddy system is to be enforced at all times in camp. Scouts need to have a buddy in program areas, on hikes, and in any other activity they are engaged in.
- See that Scouts in your unit do not damage camp facilities and program materials. Units will be billed for any damage done to camp property. This will include the cost for materials, labor and any other cost in relation to repairs or replacement.
- Inform the camp, in writing, of any special needs a Scout in his unit may have with regards to disabilities, medications, or dietary needs for health or religious reasons.
- Inform the camp Health Officer immediately, of any accidents, whether minor or major. Any cases
 of illness should also be reported as soon as possible. The camp Health Officer will always be
 available and may be reached through the Health Lodge or Administration Building. are not
 permitted in camp.

Personal Gear

Units and Scouts must bring their own tents! Be sure all personal items are clearly marked with full name and unit number. Adult volunteers, the camp and camp staff, and the Silicon Valley Monterey Bay Council are not responsible for lost or stolen items.

Clothing	Paperwork
☐ Uniform☐ Scouting T-shirts	□ Annual Health & Medical Record (Parts A and B)□ Firearms / Archery Consent Form
□ Pants and shorts□ Pajamas or sweat pants	Optional Items □ Camera
 □ Jacket, sweater, or sweatshirt □ Underwear (at least 1 pair per day) □ Socks (at least 1 pair per day) □ Tennis shoes 	 □ Musical Instrument □ Sunglasses □ Money for Trading Post
□ Sturdy hiking boots □ Handkerchiefs □ Watch	Prohibited Items
Camping Gear	Firearms and/or ammunitionArchery equipmentFireworks
 □ Tent and ground cloth □ Sleeping bag □ Foam pad or air mattress □ Pillow (optional) □ Daypack □ Canteen, water bottle, or camelback □ Flashlight with extra batteries □ Compass □ First aid kit □ Pocket knife (Totin' Chip / Whitlin' Chip) 	 Illicit drugs Alcohol Electronics (Cell phones, radios, MP3 players, games, etc.) Knives with blades longer than 3" Fixed-blade knives Weapons of any kind Expensive jewelry Animals— brought to or from camp Un-Scout-like attitude
Hygiene	We look forward to seeing you at camp!
 □ Toothbrush and toothpaste □ Comb or brush □ Soap □ Wash cloth and towel □ Shampoo □ Deodorant □ Shaving gear □ Sunscreen □ Chapstick □ Bug repellant 	







CALIFORNIA FIREARM AND BB GUN PARENTAL/LEGAL GUARDIAN PERMISSION FORM

parent or legal guardian of
(Print Name of Parent or Legal Guardian) (Print Name of Child)
hereby give my child express permission and consent to be loaned and possessed firearms
(handguns and long guns) and ammunition to engage in lawful, recreational sport, including target
practice, and/or a course of instruction in the safe and lawful use of a firearm. (Cal. Penal Code§§
27945, 29610, 29615, 29650, 29655; 18 U.S. C § 922(x)). As used in this form, "firearms" include
any handguns, long guns, or shotguns that may lawfully loaned to and possessed by a minor under
state and federal law.
I also give my child express permission and consent to possess, and for a person to loan to my child, a
"BB device" as defined in Cal. Penal Code* 16250. (Cal. Penal Code§ 19915).
This consent is valid, absent my express revocation thereof, for the calendar year of
A photocopy or facsimile of this written consent will serve as an original.
I represent that I am (1) the parent or legal guardian of the minor named above and (2) not prohibited
by Federal, state, or local law from possessing a firearm. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Scout
America, and any local Council and all officers, members, employees, and volunteers thereof, from all loss
damages, causes of action, cost and expenses, arising from any false statements or representations made
me herein.
Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian Date

Part A: Informed Consent, Release Agreement, and Authorization



Full name:	High-adventure base participants:
Date of birth:	Expedition/crew No.:
Date of bil til.	or staff position:
Informed Consent, Release Agreement, and Authorization	
I understand that participation in Scouting activities involves the risk of personal injury, including death, due to the physical, mental, and emotional challenges in the activities offered. Information about those activities may be obtained from the venue, activity coordinators, or your local council. I also understand that participation in these activities is entirely voluntary and requires participants to follow instructions and abide by all applicable rules and the standards of conduct. In case of an emergency involving me or my child, I understand that efforts will be made to contact the individual listed as the emergency contact person by the medical provider and/or adult leader. In the event that this person cannot be reached, permission is hereby given to the medical provider selected by the adult leader in charge to secure proper treatment, including hospitalization, anesthesia, surgery, or injections of medication for me or my child. Medical providers are authorized to disclose protected health information to the adult in charge, camp medical staff, camp management, and/or any physician or health-care provider involved in providing medical care to the participant. Protected Health Information/Confidential Health Information (PHI/CHI) under the Standards for Privacy of Individually Identifiable Health Information, 45 C.F.R. §§160.103, 164.501, etc. seq., as amended from time to time, includes examination findings, test results, and treatment provided for purposes of medical evaluation of the participant, follow-up and communication with the participant's parents or guardian, and/or determination of the participant's ability to continue in the program activities. (If applicable) I have carefully considered the risk involved and hereby give my informed consent for my child to participate in all activities offered in the program. I further authorize the sharing of the information on this form with any BSA volunteers or professionals who need to know of medical conditions that may require special conside	I also hereby assign and grant to the local council and the Boy Scouts of America, as well as their authorized representatives, the right and permission to use and publish the photographs/film/videotapes/electronic representations and/or sound recordings made of me or my child at all Scouting activities, and I hereby release the Boy Scouts of America, the local council, the activity coordinators, and all employees, volunteers, related parties, or other organizations associated with the activity from any and all liability from such use and publication. I further authorize the reproduction, sale, copyright, exhibit, broadcast, electronic storage, and/or distribution of the production, sale, copyright, exhibit, broadcast, electronic storage, and/or distribution of the discretion of the BSA, and I specifically waive any right to any compensation I may have for any of the foregoing. Every person who furnishes any BB device to any minor, without the express or implied permission of the parent or legal guardian of the minor, is guilty of a misdemeanor. (California Penal Code Section 19915[a]) My signature below on this form indicates my permission. I give permission for my child to use a BB device. (Note: Not all events will include BB devices.) Checking this box indicates you DO NOT want your child to use a BB device. NOTE: Due to the nature of programs and activities, the Boy Scouts of America and local councils cannot continually monitor compliance of program participants or any limitations imposed upon them by parents or medical providers. However, so that leaders can be as familiar as possible with any limitations, list any restrictions imposed on a child participant in connection with programs or activities below.
I understand that, if any information I/we have provided is found to be inaccurate, it may limit and/ Philmont Scout Ranch, Philmont Training Center, Northern Tier, Sea Base, or the Summit Bechtel Re and weight requirements and restrictions, and understand that the participant will not be a met. The participant has permission to engage in all high-adventure activities described, except as parent or guardian's signature is required.	eserve, I have also read and understand the supplemental risk advisories, including height llowed to participate in applicable high-adventure programs if those requirements are not
Participant's signature:	Date:
Parent/quardian signature for youth	Date:
Parent/guardian signature for youth:(If participant is unc	
Complete this section for youth participants only: Adults Authorized to Take Youth to and From Events: You must designate at least one adult. Please include a phone number. Name: Phone:	Name:
Adults NOT Authorized to Take Youth to and From Events:	
Name:	Name:



Full name:	:		High-advent	ure base participants:	
Date of bir	rth:		·	No.:	
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Age:	Gender:	Height (inches):		Weight (lbs.):	_
Address:					_
City:	State:	ZI	P code:	Phone:	
Unit leader:			Unit leader's	mobile #:	
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Do you currently Yes No	y have or have you ever been treated for any of the following? Condition			Explain	
ICS NO	Diabetes	Last HbA1c percentage	and date:	Insulin pump: Yes No	
	Hypertension (high blood pressure)				
	Adult or congenital heart disease/heart attack/chest pain (angina)/ heart murmur/coronary artery disease. Any heart surgery or procedure. Explain all "yes" answers.				
	Family history of heart disease or any sudden heart-related death of a family member before age 50.				
	Stroke/TIA				
	Asthma/reactive airway disease	Last attack date:			
	Lung/respiratory disease				
	COPD				
	Ear/eyes/nose/sinus problems				
	Muscular/skeletal condition/muscle or bone issues				
	Head injury/concussion/TBI				
	Altitude sickness				
	Psychiatric/psychological or emotional difficulties				
	Neurological/behavioral disorders				
	Blood disorders/sickle cell disease				
	Fainting spells and dizziness				
	Kidney disease				
	Seizures or epilepsy	Last seizure date:			
	Abdominal/stomach/digestive problems				
	Thyroid disease				
	Skin issues				
	Obstructive sleep apnea/sleep disorders	CPAP: Yes □ No □			
	List all surgeries and hospitalizations	Last surgery date:			



List any other medical conditions not covered above

High-adventure base participants:

Date of birth:					Expedition/crew No.: or staff position:				
DO YOU I	ies/Medicatio JSE AN EPINEPHRINI ECTOR? Exp. date (E AN ASTHMA RESCUE Exp. date (if yes)	□ YES	□ NO	
Are you all	ergic to or do you have ar	ny adverse reaction to any of the f	ollowing?						
Yes	No Allergies or F	Reactions	Explain	Yes	No	Allergies or Reactions	Explain		
	Medication			_		Plants			
	Food					Insect bites/stings			
		y used, including any over-							
☐ Chec	k here if no medica	tions are routinely taken.	☐ If additiona	I space is nee	eded,	please list on a separate sheet	and attach.		
	Medication	Dose	Dose Frequency			Reason			
☐ YES Administra		scription medication administrations is approved for youth by:	on is authorized with these e	exceptions:					
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		Parent/guardian signature			MD/	DO, NP, or PA signature (if your state requires si	gnature)		
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years. If yo	u had the disease, check	the disease column and list the d	ate. If immunized, check ye	s and provide the	e year r		ional information ab	out your	
Yes	No Had Disease	Immunizatio	on	Date(s	s)				
		Tetanus							
		Pertussis							
		Diphtheria							
		Measles/mumps/rubella							
		Polio				DO NOT WRITE IN TH Review for camp or special a			
		Chicken Pox				Reviewed by:			
		Hepatitis A				Date:			
		Hepatitis B				Further approval required:	Yes No		
		Meningitis				Reason:			
		Influenza				Approved by:			
		Other (i.e., HIB)				приготой ду			
		Exemption to immunizations (fo	orm required)			Date:			