

PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH

HIGH ADVENTURE

Heart of Virginia Council Philmont Contingent June 20 – July 4, 2027

I want to participate in the 2027 Heart of Virginia Council Philmont Contingent!

Please read this statement carefully before signing this application:

I hereby approve and agree to all of the terms and conditions of this application and certify to its correctness. I agree to live by the Scout Oath and Law, to fully cooperate with my crew members and Philmont leaders, to meet my full responsibilities as a member of the 2027 Heart of Virginia Council Philmont Contingent, to take such preliminary Philmont training as may be required, including crew shakedown hikes, attend the Philmont Contingent Parent Meeting, to wear the official Boy Scouts of America uniform, and to follow the code of conduct. I certify that I have now or will attain the age and the qualifications required of all participants.

Further, I certify that I can meet and submit evidence of the health and physical fitness requirements of the 2027 Council Philmont Contingent and will be examined by a licensed health-care practitioner.

I agree to the travel arrangements to and from Philmont and understand that no special arrangements will be made outside the group travel.

In consideration of the benefits to be derived from participation in the 2027 Council Philmont Contingent, any and all claims against Scouting America or the Heart of Virginia Council, or any of the officers, employees, agents, or other representatives of any of them, or any other persons working under their direction or engaged in the conduct of their affairs, arising out of any accident, illness, injury, damage, or other loss or harm to or incurred or suffered by the applicant named above or to his property, in connection with or incidental to the 2026 Council Philmont Contingent, including preliminary training and travel, are hereby expressly waived by the applicant and the applicant's family.



I have read the statement and agree with the contents.

Signature of participant

Date _____

(Parent/Guardian Signature if participant is under the age of 18)

Date _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

PLEASE PRINT

My \$800 deposit is attached to this application *(non-transferable)*

Affordable Payment Plan:

1st Month	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
Deposit	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$0
May 2026	\$334	X	X	x	X	X	X	X	x	x
June 2026	\$334	\$375	X	x	X	X	X	X		
July 2026	\$334	\$375	\$440	x	X	X	X	X		
Aug. 2026	\$334	\$375	\$440	\$500	X	X	X	X		
Sept. 2026	\$334	\$375	\$440	\$500	\$600	X	X	X		
Oct. 2026	\$334	\$375	\$440	\$500	\$600	\$750	X	X		x
Nov. 2026	\$334	\$375	\$440	\$500	\$600	\$750	\$1,000	X	x	x
Dec. 2026	\$334	\$375	\$440	\$500	\$600	\$750	\$1,000	\$1,500	x	x
Jan. 2027	\$328	\$375	\$360	\$500	\$600	\$750	\$1,000	\$1,500	\$3,000	\$3,800
Total Cost	\$3,800	\$3,800	\$3,800	\$3,800	\$3,800	\$3,800	\$3,800	\$3,800	\$3,800	\$3,800

APPRAISAL OF SCOUT (BY HOME UNIT SCOUTMASTER)

Check appropriate line

	Scouting Record	Extracurricular activities	School record	Community Participation (Including religious life)	Personal appearance (including proper height-weight ratio)	Scouting ideals (exemplifies Scout Oath and Law)	Attitude	Camping and outdoor experience
Excellent								
Good								
Fair								
Poor								

List Backpacking Experience:

Scoutmaster Name _____
PLEASE PRINT

Scoutmaster Signature _____ Date _____

2027 HEART OF VIRGINIA COUNCIL PHILMONT CONTINGENT

Statement of Understanding and Participant Code of Conduct

NAME: _____

Please Print

Statement of Understanding: All youth and adult participants are selected to represent their local council based on their qualifications in character, camping skills, physical and personal fitness, and leadership qualities. Therefore, all youth participants and their parents or guardians are asked to sign the **Statement of Understanding** and **Code of Conduct** as a condition of participation, with the further understanding that serious misconduct or infraction of established rules and regulations may result in expulsion, at the participant's expense, from Philmont or during the Philmont tour. Ultimately, we want each participant to be responsible for his or her own behavior, and only when necessary will the procedure be invoked to send a participant home from the expedition.

All youth and adult participants are expected to abide by the Code of Conduct as follows:

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The expedition's adult leadership (Tour Director and Crew Leaders) are responsible for the supervision of its membership in respect to maintaining discipline, security and the participant Code of Conduct. 2. The Scout Oath and Law will be my guide throughout the expedition. 3. I will set a good example by keeping myself neatly dressed and presentable. (The official Scout uniform and Philmont identifying items are the only acceptable apparel at appropriate specific times.) 4. I will attend all scheduled programs and participate as required in cooperation with other unit members and leadership. 5. In consideration of other unit participants, I agree to follow the bedtime and other schedules of the unit, or as otherwise directed by the program. 6. I will be responsible for keeping my tent and personal gear labeled, clean, and neat. I will adhere to all recycling policies and regulations. I will do my share to prevent littering of the grounds. 7. I understand that the purchase, possession, or consumption of alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs by any youth and adult advisor is prohibited. This standard shall apply to adult participants, both youth and adult advisors. 8. Serious and/or repetitive behavior violations by youth and adults including use of tobacco, nicotine, alcohol, drugs, cheating, stealing, dishonesty, swearing, fighting and cursing may result in expulsion from the expedition or serious disciplinary action and loss of privileges. The expedition advisor must be contacted for the expulsion procedure to be invoked. There are no exceptions. 9. I understand that gambling of any form is prohibited. 10. I understand that possession or detonation of fireworks is prohibited. 11. I will demonstrate respect for crew, expedition or leased property, as well as lodging, eating and entertainment facilities while traveling to and from Philmont, and be personally responsible for any loss, breakage, or vandalism of property as a result of my actions. 12. Neither the crew leader, nor the Tour Director, Advisor, or Heart of Virginia Council, BSA will be responsible | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> for loss, breakage or theft of my personal items. I will label all my personal items and check items of value at the director of adult advisors. Theft will be grounds for expulsion. The Council Contingent Advisor or Tour Director reserves the right to search either the person or property of an individual participant should there be reasonable cause. 13. While participating in the various activities, I will obey the safety rules and instructions of all supervisors and staff members. 14. Adult advisors and youth are prohibited from having firearms and weapons in possession in accordance with U.S. local and state laws. 15. The Tour Director and Adult Advisors will be guided by the Scout Oath and Scout Law and will obey all laws of the U.S. local and state laws. 16. The Tour Director and Adult Advisors must receive Youth Protection Training and follow the guidelines therein prior to Philmont Council Contingent training. 17. Hazing has no place in Scouting. Nor does running the gauntlet, belt lines or similar physical punishment. Leaders and older youth must prevent all youth from being "initiated" into the crews with a hazing activity. 18. Adult leaders should have the good judgment to avoid trading souvenirs or patches with a child or youth member in Scouting. Youth members may trade with youth members. Adult leaders may trade only with other adults 18 years of age or older. 19. Adult advisors and youth leaders must instruct other participants to avoid confrontation with groups, demonstrations, or hecklers and must assume a passive reaction to name calling from individuals or groups. Units or groups must be removed from the area of potential conflict immediately. 20. Other than those required for assistance, pets are not allowed at Philmont. 21. Philmont does not allow the use of drones for any purpose. 22. Serious violations of this code may result in expulsion from the expedition at the participant's own expense. All decisions will be final. |
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I certify I have read the **Statement of Understanding** and agree to abide by the conditions of the **Code of Conduct** as a participant in the contingent troop attending the Heart of Virginia Council, BSA 2026 Council Philmont Contingent.

Signature of Participant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____

(If participant is under the age of 18)

Signature of Unit Leader _____ Date _____