

2022 Critical Details on National Camping School Participation

Course site: Philmont National Training Center
17 Deer Run Rd
Cimarron, NM 87714

Course Director: Dennis Kampa
Email: denkampa@gmail.com
Host Liaison: Danny Tucker
Email: Daniel.Tucker@scouting.org

Dates: March 19-20, 2022

Theme: Wild Wild West

Course times: The action begins at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 19 and ends approx. 2:00pm on Sunday, March 20.

Weather: Temperatures will be high in the 50s with lows in the 20s. Be prepared for chilly mornings and warm afternoons, as well as some outdoor activities.

Early arrivals: For an additional fee of \$55.00*, you may arrive the night before, please make it after 7:00 p.m. and before 10:00 p.m. *This fee covers lodging Friday evening and breakfast on Saturday. This fee does NOT cover a meal Friday night. FYI: No activities are planned for early arrivals as the staff are busy with preparations.*

Covid-19 and National Camping School – Regardless of COVID-19 vaccination status, all participants must show proof of a negative COVID-19 test taken no earlier than 3 days and no later than 5 days prior to their arrival at Philmont. Philmont will accept proof of a negative PCR test or a rapid antigen test for participation. Many at home test kits are acceptable, but please document the test results with a time and date stamped photo. If local area restrictions do not allow a course to be held, you will be contacted no less than 14 days in advance and given an alternative training option.

In addition, Philmont strongly recommends that all participants are fully vaccinated prior to attending. The CDC defines current vaccination as either having been fully vaccinated or received a booster within the last six months. Vaccinations older than 6 months without a booster are not current. A picture of your current vaccination card is acceptable to show your vaccination status.

For information on vaccines and protecting yourself against COVID-19, please refer to CDC guidelines (www.cdc.gov) and the New Mexico Department of Health (<https://cv.nmhealth.org/>).

Additionally, please refer to Philmont's [Pre-Screening Form](#) before travelling to Philmont.

These precautions are important, but these efforts cannot eliminate the potential for exposure to COVID-19 or any other illness while at camp. Information from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) states that older adults and people of any age who have serious underlying medical conditions are at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19. *If you are in this group, please ensure you have approval from your health care provider prior to attending National Camping School.*

The safety of our Scouts, volunteers, employees, and communities continues to be our top priority. We must continue our vigilance to assure that youth and their families are safe while they enjoy the many benefits of Scouting. We encourage everyone to consult with their physician and get vaccinated. It is our best hope for returning to normalcy in our Scouting family.

Before You Arrive at NCS:

- ❖ Take the online NCS course (*Foundations of Day Camp @ my.scouting*) and the in-person Council led NCS course. Don't forget the other required pre-requisites: [Youth Protection Training](#) and [Cub Scout Leader Position Specific training](#). Bring proof to the training.

What to Bring to Camp:

- ❖ Proof of BSA registration & prerequisite online training courses (Youth Protection Training , Cub Scout Leader Position Specific Training, Camp School Online Training, and Council-led Camp School Training).
- ❖ Your completed [BSA health form \(parts A and B\)](#).
- ❖ Samples of your council's day camp/resident camp promotional materials, staff manuals, or other camp literature, registration forms, schedules, etc., for display or giveaway. Make copies for at least 20 participants (no copying services are available at camp).
- ❖ Interesting crafts or activity ideas to share.
- ❖ Your camp T-shirt—there will be an opportunity for everyone to wear theirs.
- ❖ Notepad and pencil or pen. A participant binder and learning materials will be provided.
- ❖ NCS Online Trading Post: You can preview and purchase specialty National Camp School items (shirts, sweatshirts, and more!) to be sent directly to your home via [BSA National Supply](#).

Personal Gear:

- ❖ **Official complete BSA uniform.** We will wear the Field uniform, the official Scout uniform, on Saturday morning and Sunday morning. You may wear any Day Camp T-shirt/Sweatshirt or Scout activity uniform, at other times.
- ❖ Warm sleepwear, perhaps “long johns” or sweats.
- ❖ Coat, jacket, suitable footwear/socks, gloves, hat, umbrella
- ❖ Camera (Shoot the displays and show others back home what can be done!)
- ❖ Please dress for the weather and snow is a possibility.
- ❖ The telephone number at **Philmont Scout Ranch** is **575-376-2281** in case of emergency. Internet Wi-Fi is available throughout the Philmont Training Center campus. Cellular coverage is available although some carriers are more limited than others. AT&T has the strongest signal.

What to Expect and What Is Expected:

- ❖ Arrive rested. Be prepared for concentration, participation, and fun! Days last early morning to late at night.
- ❖ Toiletries, towel, washcloth, soap, shampoo, etc. Housing will be provided in heated cabins with showers, all **bedding and towels will be provided.** Warm sleepwear, perhaps “long johns” or sweats.
- ❖ You will be sharing lodging with other NCS participants in motel-style rooms. The rooms are not attached to the conference center or dining hall.
- ❖ **You must arrive no later than 8:00 a.m. on the first day and attend all sessions through the last day to be certified.**
- ❖ To focus on the learning, please leave the distractions of life behind: family, children, pets, job, etc. Note also, there are no accommodations for anyone but you.
- ❖ Please understand that if you receive the names and contact information for other participants or for staff, you may not contact them for commercial purposes unless you receive their expressed permission to do so.

** The early arrival fee is handled through your local council. You may or may not be expected to cover it personally.*

National Supply **will not** have a trading post at National Camping School. If you are interested in purchasing National Camping School items you can download the flier at <https://www.scouting.org/outdoor-programs/national-camping-school/> and have them sent directly to your home.

Philmont has the Tooth of Time Traders store for Philmont branded apparel, snacks, sundries, etc. www.toothoftimetraders.com. They do not carry official uniform items.

In addition to the items listed above, please bring an open mind, a cooperative attitude, a willing smile, a lot of enthusiasm, and we'll have a great course.

Getting to Philmont

From Denver or Colorado Springs:

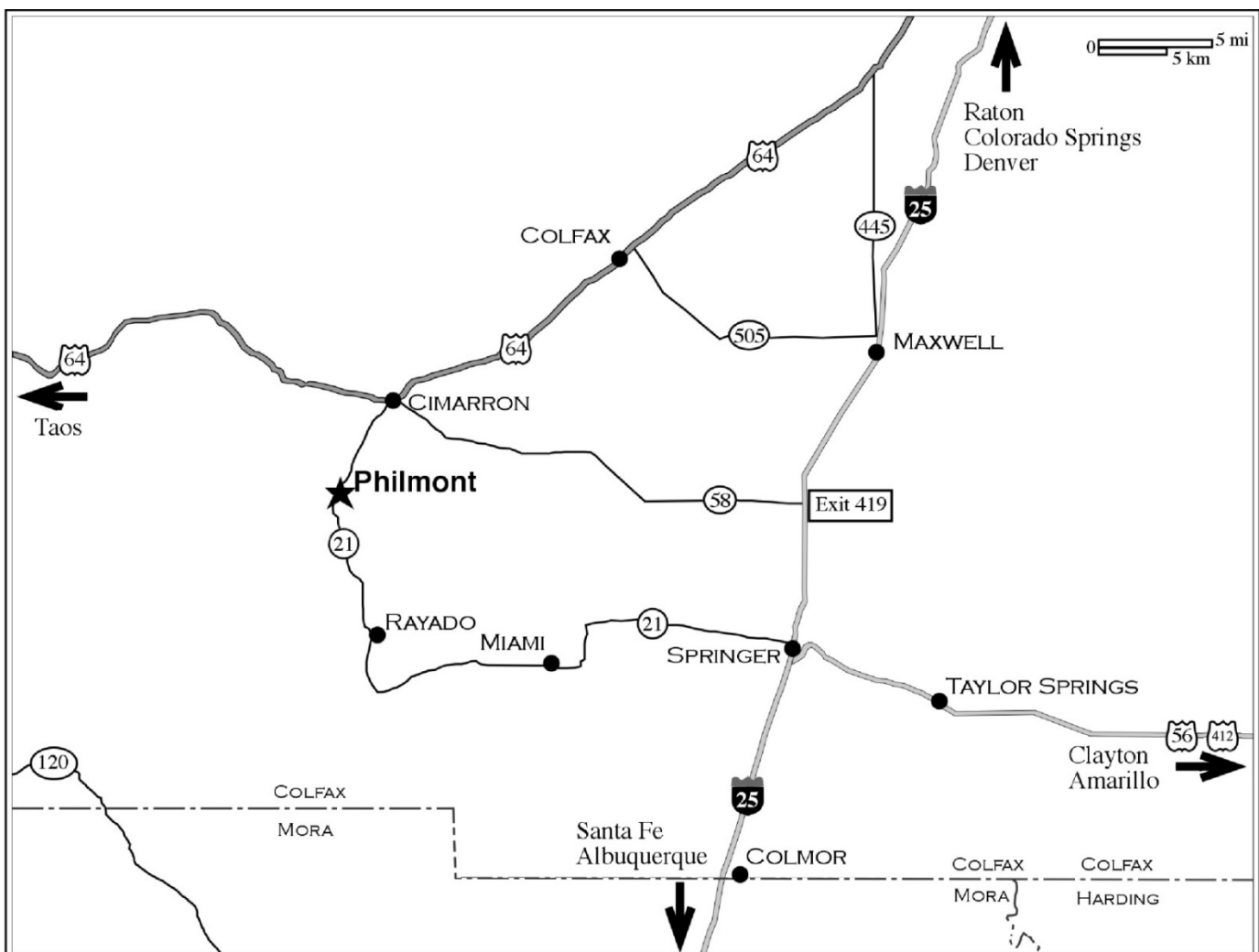
Go south on Interstate 25 to Raton, New Mexico (17 miles south of the Colorado border). Four miles south of Raton take Exit 446 onto Highway 64 and drive about 40 miles to Cimarron.

From Albuquerque:

Go north on Interstate 25 about 200 miles to Springer, New Mexico. Three miles north of Springer, take Exit 419 onto Highway 58 and drive about 20 miles to Cimarron. (Note: Highway-58 will be closed during the winter of 2011 to allow the reconstruction of the highway over the Ponil Creek Wetland. It should be open in late spring. The alternative route from Springer is State Highway-21. Watch for signs)

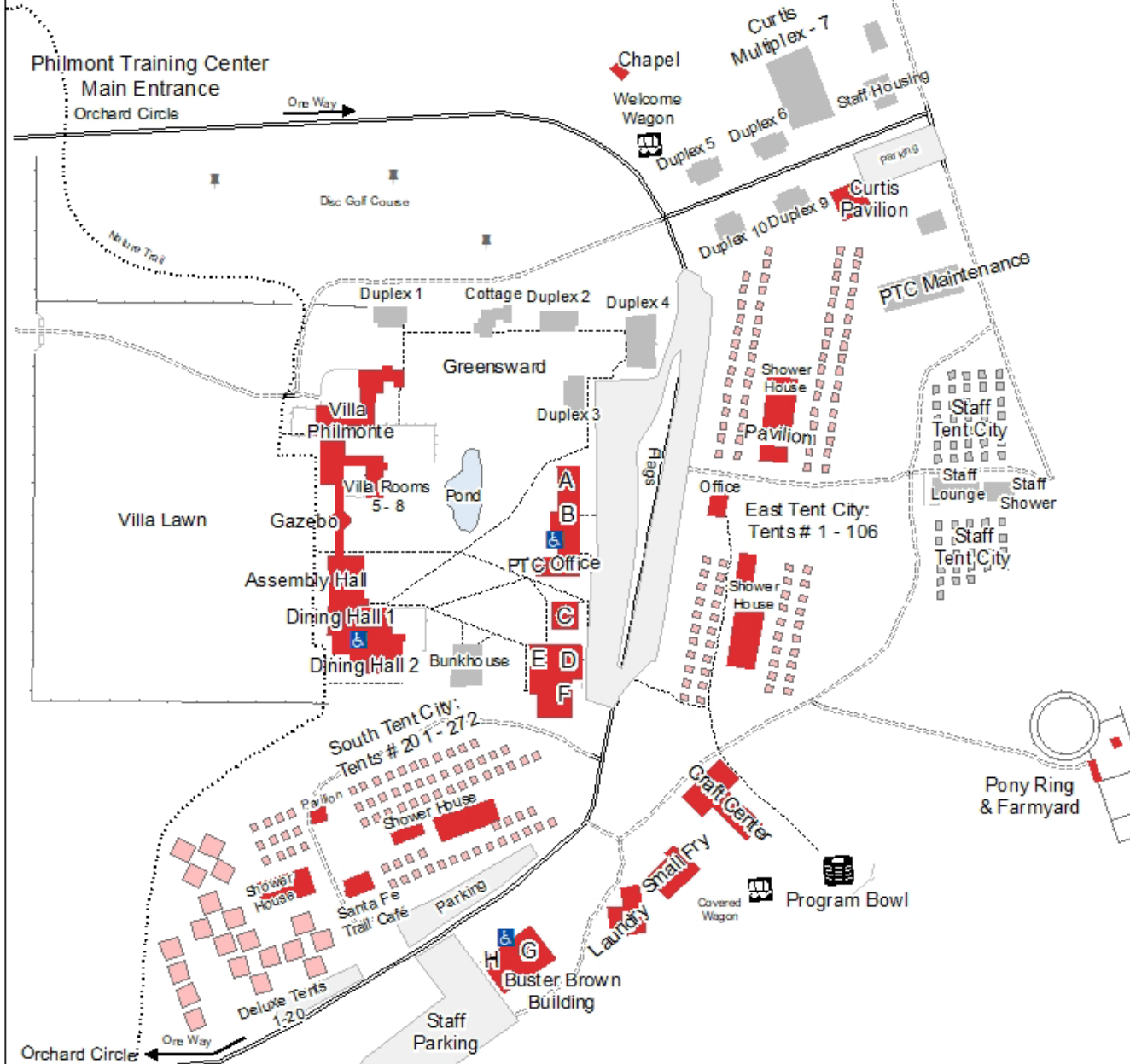
From Cimarron to Philmont

When you reach Cimarron, turn south on State Highway 21 and drive approximately 4 miles to Philmont Scout Ranch. As you enter Philmont, you will see several buildings before you reach your destination; these buildings are other parts of Philmont Base Camp, such as the Administration Building. Look for the brown Philmont Training Center sign near mile-marker 4 and turn left (east) onto Orchard Circle. The Villa Philmonte, the Mediterranean-style home of the Phillips family, is located on the grounds of the Philmont Training Center and will serve as a guide to those arriving by car.



↑ To Cimarron/
Shooting Sports
Complex

Philmont Training Center



Conference Classrooms

- A - Carson B - Webster C - Maxwell D - Bent
- E - Beaubien F - Miranda G - Buster Brown Waite
- H - Buster Brown Waite



Accessible Restrooms - PTC Office, Buster Brown, Dining Hall

↓ To Camping
Headquarters/
National Scouting
Museum/ Tooth of
Time Traders

Philmont GIS

Date: 1/6/2022

0 75 150 300 Feet