Notes for Lead Advisors

On The Train

Make sure the adults in your crew have stored in their cell phones the phone numbers of all the other adults in both crews, and Philmont's 24-hour number, (575) 376-2281. It's optional whether you want to add the cell phones of your scouts or their parents.

Day 1 - First Full Day at Base Camp

Everyone wears class A uniform.

Carry with you the overall Philmont map I gave you, as you'll need it when you go into Logistics to plot your itinerary with the ranger and crew leader. There can't be any writing on your map, or you'll be sent to the store to buy a new one.

Make sure you go to Logistics the *first thing in the morning*, or close to first thing. This is to make sure your crew gets one of the limited horseback riding appointments.

You shouldn't need to pay any fees to Philmont, as I have already paid everything. Call me if they want you to pay, (818) 952-5645.

After you've been to Logistics, you'll need to go to the Philmont store to buy (save receipts):

- 1 sectional map of either North or South (you may also need Central, if Logistics says so)
- 1 4-oz IsoPro fuel canister for the JetBoil
- 4 8-oz IsoPro fuel canisters for the Kovea Spider stoves

Estimate what size t-shirt your ranger wears, and take only that size on the trail with you.

Ask for the ranger's full name and email address, and write it down.

The security office will charge your phone. It also has fuel canisters left behind by past crews (since fuel can't go on planes or trains), so you might check if any are full or close-to-full before buying fuel.

Day 2 - Starting to Hike

Everyone wears crew shirts.

Have the crew photo taken as early in the morning as possible, as this is when the best light is. Later in the morning the sun is behind the crew and faces are then in shadow.

During Trek

Make sure you get photos taken of the crew in a few spots along the trail with scenic backgrounds, some with the entire crew, some with only the scouts, some with backpack on, some without. For newspaper purposes these photos are best if people are neatly lined up.

Encourage the scouts to mail a letter home at the first commissary on your trek.

About halfway through your trek, at a commissary, buy two more 8-oz IsoPro fuel canisters (keep receipt).

Back at Base Camp

Go to the Philmont registrar to pick up: Philmont arrowhead patches

crew's medical forms

If you want, call in an order for pizza delivery (keep receipt).

Go to the Philmont store to buy whatever patches were earned by the crew, such as Duty to God, Wilderness Pledge, and Trail of Courage (keep receipts).

Don't hand out the patches or return the medical forms to the scouts. You'll be giving those to me. You can give the maps to the scouts, as I don't want them.

Train Home

While waiting for the bus to take you to the train station, have everyone walk over to the Philmont sign out front, with the boots hanging over it, and get some group photos taken.

Back Home

Give me:

receipts for map, fuel and patches (and pizza) medical forms patches crew equipment your ranger's name & email address unused troop t-shirts

Upload your photos to the troop's Dropbox/Flickr account (contact Melora Larson if you don't already have access).

Provided to Lead Advisor

Crew Equipment

- 2 Kovea Spider stoves w/ detached piezo lighter
- 1 JetBoil Flash stove
- 2 lighters
- 1 box waterproof matches
- 2 10-liter collapsible water accordions

first aid kit

moleskin

foot cream

foot powder

Leukotape

sewing kit

scissors

6 tent stake bags with 8 y-stakes per bag

1 100 ft length 1/8" nylon paracord

1 carabiner

1 multi-tool

1 roll duct tape

1 trowel

1 pot scraper

overall map of Philmont 3 troop t-shirts in M, L & XL sizes

Paperwork

train tickets
virus code of conduct forms
vaccination card copies
medical A, B & C forms
activity consent forms
wilderness first aid & CPR certificates
proof of online training for the adults
printed online crew roster