Welcome to NAYLE!

The National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience (NAYLE) is the ultimate training experience for youth leaders. NAYLE will equip you to be a better unit leader, NYLT staff member, and camp staff member. The course is designed to provide you with a Philmont based wilderness experience that motivates you to follow a life of servant leadership based on the values of Scouting.

The NAYLE program is conducted for older Scouts, both young men and women who have already completed National Youth Leadership Training. You will hone your skills in a team setting at Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp, one of Philmont’s backcountry camps focused solely on leadership development. You will use NYLT leadership skills to resolve exciting and challenging backcountry situations. The week will conclude with a closing challenge for you to build upon the legacy of Waite Phillips, the benefactor of Philmont Scout Ranch.

This guidebook is intended to answer questions you may have about your NAYLE experience. Please review the information and share it with your family and unit leader. Included on the following page is a checklist that you must complete before leaving for Philmont!

We are excited that you are among the select youth who participate in one of Philmont’s and the Boy Scouts of America’s outstanding programs.

Sincerely,

Philmont Training Center Staff
2021 NAYLE CHECKLIST

❑ Read this entire Guidebook!

❑ Register for your course on the Philmont website.

❑ Pay all fees no later than 30 days before your NAYLE course begins!

❑ Submit your ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE PLANS (located on page 9 of this guidebook) no later than 30 days before your NAYLE course begins!

  • If you require transportation from the airports in Denver, Colorado Springs, or Albuquerque, the Raton Amtrak Station, or Greyhound Raton Bus Station, you must plan to arrive in time to meet the shuttle service. Philmont is not responsible for your transportation due to a missed shuttle! The 2021 Shuttle Forms will be available on Philmont’s website in February 2021.

  • For a small fee, Philmont has limited accommodations available for those who wish to bring NAYLE participants by private vehicle on Saturday evening. Please do not plan to arrive before 4pm on Saturday.

  • Submit all shuttle and arrival forms with applicable fees no later than 30 days before your NAYLE course begins!

  • Your course begins at 8:00am Sunday morning, Day 1 of your course.

❑ Complete a BSA Annual Health & Medical Record.

  • The BSA Annual Health & Medical Record Parts A, B, & C are required for NAYLE. Make sure to have your completed medical with you on your arrival date. BSA Medical Part C requires a doctor’s signature.

  • Bring your completed and signed medical form, prescription medications (in original container with label showing your name, directions for use, and prescribing practitioner), and a copy of your health insurance card with you for NAYLE check-in on Day 1!

  • All participants of the NAYLE program must be in good physical condition and able to backpack. Participants will participate in a medical re-check on Day 1. If they do not meet the physical requirements, including height and weight, participants will not be allowed to participate in NAYLE and will be sent home at their expense.

❑ Plan and prepare for any special dietary needs! (see page 6)
Welcome to the National Advanced Youth Leadership Experience to be held at the Philmont Training Center – Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp (RRLC)! RRLC is approximately 8 miles from the Philmont Training Center at the southern end of Philmont Scout Ranch and sits in Philmont’s backcountry at the foothills of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains. Your NAYLE faculty are excited to introduce you to the NAYLE adventure! We have included some pertinent information below. Please read it carefully. Thank you!

ARRIVAL:
- Check-In: 8:00am SHARP! on the first day of your course, typically Sunday. Check-in will take place at the pavilion located behind the Philmont Training Center (PTC) Office. (Maps at the end of this guidebook.)
- Early Arrivals:
  - For individuals arriving by airport or train shuttle Saturday afternoon, tenting assignments and meal preparations will already be made for you. Plan to eat at the airport or bring snacks, as the shuttle may not make any stops en route to Philmont and may occasionally run late due to traffic or weather.
  - Parents and youth looking to arrive Saturday evening by private vehicle must check in at the PTC Office between 4 – 6pm. You will receive tenting assignments and meal instructions upon check in. A small early arrival fee, $25 per person, includes a tenting unit with electricity, Saturday’s dinner (5 – 6:30pm), and Sunday’s breakfast (6:30 – 8am). The NAYLE Arrival & Departure form must be turned in with payment to arrive early to the PTC.
- Be Prepared for check-in!
  - A signed, current BSA Annual Health & Medical Record Parts A, B & C is required at check-in, along with a copy of your Insurance Policy Card (attached to your Medical form). Bring any prescription medications in original container with label showing your name, directions for use, and prescribing practitioner.
  - Bring all camping gear packed, transportable, and ready to go (see enclosed equipment list, page 8.)
  - Payment for any unpaid fees are due at time of check-in, including any unpaid shuttle fees. Late fees may apply.
  - You will need to be in complete and official Scouts BSA Field Uniform to check-in. (Scouts BSA Khaki shirt, Scouts BSA green pants; long or short, Scouts BSA socks, Scout belt; Venturing Green shirt, Venturing Gray pants; long or short, Venturing socks, Scout belt. Substitution uniform pieces are not allowed!)
  - Please call home to let your family know you have arrived safely.
  - If you are departing on a Philmont shuttle, confirm your departure plans with PTC Transportation Staff before you depart for RRLC!

DEPARTURE:
- Checkout time is 8:00am Saturday, depending on your arranged transportation shuttle.
  - The NAYLE Closing Ceremony takes place at 8:00pm Friday at Rayado Kit Carson Museum. Parents may pick up their Scout following the Closing Ceremony, if prearranged and approved through your NAYLE Course Director.
- Raton departures: shuttles leave from the Camping Head Quarters Welcome Center at prearranged times (check with the Transportation Coordinator at the PTC office).
• Airport departures: Please view shuttle forms for location specific departure times.
• Private transportation: meet your ride at the PTC Office following the 7:30am bus.
• There are no holdovers: You must arrange to leave on the day your course concludes, there is no place for you to stay an extra day at Philmont.

Family Adventure & Training Conferences
Because of the remote location of Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp, you will not be available to visit your family members during the week. However, we highly recommend your parents and family stay at the Philmont Training Center during your NAYLE week. They will have exciting opportunities for training and Family Adventures while you are honing your leadership skills! For more information on Triaging Center program, please visit www.philmonttrainingcenter.org.

Transportation
Airport shuttle services from the Albuquerque, Denver, and Colorado Springs Airports are available for NAYLE participants. Shuttle times vary based on airport.

Philmont has arranged with Blue Sky Adventures to provide special handling or transfers from the airplane to the bus for those arriving at the Albuquerque International Airport (ABQ). Blue Sky Adventures will have flight information for all youth arriving and will help the youth make their way from the terminal to the bus. Please read the information that is available on the Albuquerque Airport Shuttle Service form.

The shuttle service from Denver (DIA) or Colorado Springs (COS) will not have the same transfer service at the airport, the shuttle servicing Denver and Colorado Springs cannot transport a Scout with “Unaccompanied Minor” airline status. It is up to the youth to make their way from the terminal to the shuttle bus at the scheduled time. Please read the information that is available on the Denver/Colorado Springs Shuttle Service form.

Philmont has arranged shuttle service that will pick up and drop off from the Raton Train Station, serving both the Amtrak trains and Greyhound Bus Station. Please refer to the Raton Shuttle Service from for more information.

Upon program completion, faculty will help ensure participants make it onto their shuttle bus to head back to their transportation destination. Some shuttles leave Philmont as early as 6:00am.

Please refer to the "NAYLE Arrival & Departure Form" and the Airport and Train Shuttle Registration forms for details. If you are using a shuttle, please submit the completed form and payment to Philmont Scout Ranch.

Program Cost
The fee for the course is $550, a nonrefundable $250 deposit is due at the time of registration. Please see Philmont’s Cancellation Policy for details of payment and cancellations. Lodging, meals, and course supplies are covered by this fee and begin at 8:00am on the first day of course going through 7:30am on the final course day.

Scholarships
Scholarships are available for Philmont NAYLE participants. Information and deadlines are available on Philmont’s website.
Camp and Camp Living

NAYLE living arrangements are much like council summer camps. NAYLE is a co-ed training experience. Team members may be male and female youth, with each team being responsible for preparing their daily meals. Sleeping quarters are in two-person wall tents with wooden platform floors. Separate tents will be used for male and female participants. Each participant is provided a cot and a mattress, you will need to bring your own sleeping bag and pillow.

Activities will be just that, ACTIVE! Teams spend most of the time outdoors. Showers and other conveniences are available in camp. An overnight backpacking trip is planned as part of the NAYLE program; Philmont will provide tents and backpacks if needed, with prior request. Electric charging capability is not available at Rayado Ridge.

Uniform

The uniform is any official BSA Field Uniform (Scouts BSA khaki shirt, green pants (short or long) Scouts BSA socks, Scout belt or Venturing green shirt; official gray Venturing pants (short or long), Venturing socks and Scout belt with the normal insignia; the complete Sea Scout uniform is also appropriate. Non-official, substitute uniform parts are not allowed. The activity uniform that is worn most of the time consists of a NAYLE cap and NAYLE T-shirt (provided by Philmont) and Scouts BSA or Venturing shorts/pants. There is no need for civilian clothes during the course. You should report to the Training Center in a complete field uniform on the first day of your course.

One pair of long pants are required for the NAYLE Conservation project during the course.

Spending Money

You will have an opportunity to purchase a Philmont belt and NAYLE belt buckle during the course. You will also have an opportunity to visit the Tooth of Time Traders (trading post) during your stay at Philmont. Participants spend an average of $75 at Philmont’s trading posts on gear, souvenirs, and snacks. At Rayado Ridge’s Trading Post, only cash is accepted due to its location in the backcountry. At the Tooth of Time Traders in Base Camp, cash, check, and credit card are all accepted.

Special Meals & Dietary Restrictions

Philmont is not able to accommodate special dietary needs in the backcountry, including Rayado Ridge. If such meals are necessary, you must provide your own food. Please discuss any special meal needs with your Course Director prior to arriving at Philmont. He/she will provide you with the menu and contents of the menu so that you can plan any substitutions. This includes special dietary foods such as those who are gluten intolerant or vegetarians.

Medical Form

All participants of the NAYLE program must be in good physical condition and able to backpack. A current BSA National Health & Medical Form, Parts A, B & C is required. Please pay special attention to the Height and Weight limits; all participants must meet these requirements - you will be checked when you arrive. If you do not meet the height and weight requirements, you will be sent home at your expense. Per BSA policy, all medical forms must have a doctor's and parent/guardian's signature and be less than one year old. Please attach a copy of your insurance card to your completed form. Hand carry your medical form - do not mail it! Your medical form will be returned to you at the end of your course.
Your Mailing Address at Philmont

Mail must be properly addressed for delivery. Bring stamps and stamped postcards. Mail is delivered every day except Sunday. Outgoing mail is collected every day. Please address as follows:

Your Name - NAYLE (Week #)
Philmont Training Center
17 Deer Run Road
Cimarron, NM 87714

Emergency Telephone

There is no landline phone service and minimal cell phone service at Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp. Only in emergency situations can you be contacted by telephone. Philmont's summer 24-hour service number is 575-376-2281. The caller will need to tell the Philmont operator your name, that you are attending NAYLE, and the message or number for you to call. The information will be relayed to you as soon as possible. If you bring a cell phone to Rayado Ridge: cell phone service is minimal, there is no charging capability, and its usage cannot interfere with the course experience. **Use of electronic devices is strongly discouraged during NAYLE.**
Personal Equipment List

To help you plan and prepare your personal gear for the NAYLE, please note the following:

1. You will spend five nights at Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp and one night at a backcountry campsite.

2. At Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp, you will sleep in a two-person wall tent. The tents are on platforms and have cots with mattresses. At the backcountry site, you will sleep on the ground in two-person backpacking tents, a sleeping pad is highly recommended on the overnight. Philmont will supply tents. You may bring your own two-person backpacking tent for use in the backcountry; however, you will be required to share your tent with another person.

3. NAYLE is a co-ed training experience. You may be in a co-ed campsite. Separate tents for male and female participants will be provided.

4. You will be transported from the Philmont Training Center to Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp by bus on Day 1 of your course. When you arrive at Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp, you will walk from the road to your campsite, one-half (.5) mile away. You will need to carry all your gear in one trip. Due to the rocky terrain, rolling bags are challenging; backpacks are the best method for carrying your clothes and gear; a backpack may be borrowed (with prior arrangement before the course) during check-in.

5. Your NAYLE experience involves a one-night backpacking trip. The hike will involve approximately three miles one way, starting at about 6500 feet, with an elevation gain of about 375 feet. On this trip you will carry your personal gear plus your share of crew gear. Physical conditioning prior to the course is strongly encouraged.

6. You may have an opportunity to climb the Tooth of Time which is 9,003 feet in elevation.

7. Rain is always a possibility and evenings can be very cool in the New Mexico mountains. Be Prepared!

8. Philmont is bear country and precautions must be taken to avoid attracting bears to the campsites. All items that have an odor (smellables) are stored in an appropriate manner and containers. You should bring a stuff sack, small container, or large Ziploc bag in which to store these items. A thorough briefing on bear safety and smellables will be provided on the first day of the course.

9. You will always wear either an official Scouts BSA field uniform (Scouts BSA or Venturing) for your program area or a BSA activity uniform during the course. A field uniform includes the official Scouts BSA or official Venturing uniform shirt and insignia; official Scouts BSA or official Venturing shorts or long pants, official Scouts BSA or official Venturing socks and a Scout belt. The official Sea Scout blue uniform is also appropriate. An activity uniform is the same as your field uniform except you will wear the NAYLE T-shirt instead of your uniform shirt. Only official uniform parts are allowed - no substitutions are permitted! The NAYLE cap is part of the uniform.

10. Long pants are required for the Conservation project during the NAYLE program.

11. Your course fee includes 2 NAYLE T-shirts and a NAYLE cap. Additional T-shirts will be available for purchase. You will also have an opportunity to purchase a NAYLE belt buckle, Philmont belt, and NAYLE fleece jacket.

12. There is no opportunity to do laundry during the course.

13. You may bring your cell phone to Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp for use in emergencies. However, there may not be any cellular service and charging facilities are not available.
Personal Gear List:

Required Items:

- Large internal or external frame backpack**
- Rain cover for backpack (trash bags are not acceptable)
- Daypack
- Rain jacket and rain pants (no ponchos)
- Sleeping bag rated to at least 30 degrees
- Water-Resistant Sleeping Bag Stuff Sack
- Sleeping pad
- Hiking boots (broken-in)
- Camp shoes (Crocs or tennis shoes – no open-toed shoes)
- 3 water bottles (1 quart/liter each)
- Flashlight with extra batteries
- 1 Scouts BSA or Venturing field uniform shirt
- 2 Scouts BSA or Venturing shorts or long pants***
- At least 3 pair Scouts BSA or Venturing uniform socks
- BSA belt
- Hiking socks (1 pair)
- Sweatshirt, sweater, or fleece jacket
- Stocking cap and gloves
- Sleep clothes (worn only for sleeping)
- Underwear
- Watch
- Comb or brush
- Toothbrush/toothpaste*
- Soap (in a container) *
- Shampoo*
- Deodorant*
- Towel and/or washcloth*
- Sunscreen*
- Chapstick*
- Prescription/OTC medications*
- Personal first aid kit*
- Insect repellent (non-aerosol) *
- Nylon stuff sack or large Ziploc bag (for storing smellables*)
- Cup, bowl, and spoon (plastic or metal)
- Mesh dunk bag for washing personal dishes
- Pens and small notebook
- Extra 1-gallon Ziploc bags and trash bags
- *Indicates smellable items that must be stored in an appropriate manner at Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp and the overnight site. Pack these items together in a separate bag (stuff sack or large Ziploc bag).
- ** Can be provided by Philmont for the backcountry experience if requested in advance.
- ***Indicates one pair of long pants is required for the conservation project.

Optional Items

- Trekking or hiking poles
- Small pillow
- Small camp chair, stool, or Crazy Creek type chair (you must be able to carry)
- Small Pocketknife or multi-tool
- Duffle bag (if needed – but you must be able to carry it 0.5 miles!)
- Sunglasses
- Compass
- Camera
- Musical instrument
- Money (cash or checks) to purchase extra T-shirts, belt buckle, etc. at Rayado Ridge
- Bandanas (1 or 2)

Philmont Provides

- Wall tents, cots, and mattresses at Rayado Ridge Leadership Camp; backpacking tents for backcountry experience
- Dining flys
- Stoves and fuel for cooking
- Cooking gear
- Meal ingredients (do not bring any food unless required for medical or religious dietary needs; advise your course director.)
• Water purification tablets (for use in the backcountry)
• Bear Boxes and Bags
• Sanitation supplies & Toilet Paper
• Large water container
NAYLE Arrival & Departure Form

This form should be filled out and returned to Philmont at least one month prior to your course start date. This form has two sides, please fill out both.

Participant Name: ___________________________ NAYLE Session Dates: ____________
Address: ___________________________ City: ___________ State: ____ Zip: ______
Home Phone: ___________________________ Cell Phone: ___________________________
Parent Name: ___________________________
Cell Phone: ___________________________ Parent Email: __________________________

Arrival Information

Date of Arrival: ___________________________
Parent/Guardian will be attending PTC program during above NAYLE session (circle one): Yes or No

Arriving Via (Please check one):
Albuquerque Shuttle*: ☐ Flight #________, Arrival Time:_______am/pm
Denver Shuttle*: ☐ Flight #________, Arrival Time:_______am/pm
Raton Shuttle*: ☐ Arrival Time:_______am/pm Please circle one: TRAIN or BUS
Private Vehicle: ☐ Saturday Evening Arrival (see below) ☐ Sunday Morning Arrival

Saturday Evening Early Arrival: Philmont has limited accommodations available for parents and youth who wish to arrive Saturday evening and stay onsite at Philmont. We ask that you please plan to drop NAYLE participants off between 4pm and 6pm. A $25 early arrival charge will include a shared tenting unit with electricity, Saturday’s dinner (5 – 6:30pm), and Sunday’s breakfast (6:30 – 8am). This rate is per person. Please notate below the number of early arrivals, both parents and youth. Payments may be made via check or credit card.

_____ # Early Arrival NAYLE Participants + _____ # Early Arrival NAYLE Family x $25 = _____ Amount Due

Please make check payable to Philmont Scout Ranch to:
Philmont Scout Ranch Attn: NAYLE Early Arrival
17 Deer Run Rd.
Cimarron, NM 87714

Credit Card payment may be made over the phone.

See backside for Departure Information
Departure Information

Date of Departure: ____________________________

Departing Via (Please check one):

Albuquerque Shuttle*: ☐ Flight #________, Arrival Time:_______am/pm

Denver Shuttle*: ☐ Flight #________, Arrival Time:_______am/pm

Raton Shuttle*: ☐ Arrival Time:_______am/pm      Please circle one:   TRAIN or BUS

Private Vehicle: ☐ Friday Night Parent Pick Up (see below) ☐ Saturday Morning 8:00am

**Friday Evening Pick Up:** The NAYLE Graduation Ceremony takes place at 8:00pm Friday at Rayado Kit Carson Museum. Parents may pick up their child following the Graduation Ceremony, if prearranged and approved through your NAYLE Course Director.

Philmont has limited accommodations available for parents who wish to arrive Friday evening and stay onsite at Philmont. We ask that you please plan arrive between 4pm and 6pm. A $25 early arrival charge will include a shared tenting unit with electricity, Friday’s dinner (5 – 6:30pm), and Saturday’s breakfast (6:30 – 8am). This rate is per person. Parents may not pick up their child from Graduation and return to the PTC to stay the night. Please notate the number of early arrivals below. Payments may be made via check or credit card.

___ # Early Arrival Friday Night NAYLE Family x $25 = _____ Amount Due

Please make check payable to Philmont Scout Ranch to:
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Cimarron, NM 87714

Credit Card payment may be made over the phone.

*Note: If you will be arriving by shuttle please complete the correct shuttle form and return it to Philmont at least one month prior to arrival. Shuttle forms are available at https://www.philmontscoutranch.org/ptc/in February 2021