

QUICK LOOK:

COVID MITIGATION AT PHILMONT

Philmont Scout Ranch's top priority is the health and safety of our participants and staff. A comprehensive Covid-19 mitigation and operation plan has been implemented to ensure a safe environment for Wilderness and Learning Adventures that Last a Lifetime.

Travel and Pre-screening

- Direct communication to all participants and staff about staying home if they are exhibiting symptoms.
- All participants and staff will be thoroughly screened for Covid-19 symptoms upon arrival.
- Philmont will refer to State of NM and CDC guidelines to determine group sizes and need for testing prior to arrival.

Social Distancing and Mask Wearing

- Crews will remain as cohorts to limit interaction with others outside of their cohort.
- Social distancing required in public and group settings.
- CDC compliant masks will be provided (1 per participant) and required in public and group settings.

Red Yellow Green Framework

Philmont will utilize a color-coded strategy to allow expanded group interaction or to further isolate different elements of the backcountry, basecamp, and program areas to best accommodate changes in State of NM and CDC Guidelines throughout the summer.

Dining Hall

- Capacity levels for indoor dining facilities will follow State of NM guidelines.
- Expanded outdoor seating for both participants and staff.
- Handwashing kiosks installed at every base camp dining hall entrance.
- If group size gathering is downsized, food service will be provided to each cohort.
- All State of NM and CDC Guidelines followed for food preparation and serving including no salad bars or open food bars.

Infirmary

- Rapid Antigen Testing for diagnostic purposes.
- 15 patient beds, 4 exam rooms and trauma room for medical emergencies.
- 40 Doctors that volunteer throughout the summer plus 24 Medics.

Additional Safety Measures

- Increased staffing for cleaning and sanitization.
- Sanitization of transportation to Raton (Amtrak Station) and Trailheads after every trip.
- Rapid read non-contact thermometers for all backcountry program areas and numerous locations at base camp.

Covid-19 Positive Response

Those exhibiting symptoms of Covid-19 will be tested, quarantined and monitored until cleared.

Tracking and Follow Up

Philmont will survey all crew advisors/reservation contacts two weeks after departure to ensure the healthy return of participants home.



The American Camp Association has determined that there is no statistically significant increase in risk between in-state vs. out-of-state programs.

View our complete mitigation plan [HERE](#)