Troop 202

Philmont 2015

Commitment Letter

I, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, am a member in good standing of Troop 202. This agreement will establish my desire to participate in the Philmont 2015 trek, and my commitment to meet the requirements listed below. I hereby confirm my understanding that my failure to comply with this agreement might render me ineligible for Philmont 2015. In the event I become ineligible, I will not receive a refund of payments made.

Standards established by the Boy Scouts of America in the High Adventure programs state, “A youth or leader who desires to participate, but who is not emotionally, mentally, or physically ready for a high adventure trek, must be so informed.” I therefore understand that my failure to display emotional, mental, or physical maturity might jeopardize the trek and that, as a result, I may have to withdraw from Philmont 2015.

Requirements:

1. I will be at least 14 years old, or at least 13 years old and have completed 8th grade before June 18, 2015.
2. I will meet the height/weight requirements established by Philmont Scout Ranch.
3. I will have achieved the rank of Life Scout by April 1, 2015.
4. I will participate in my Crew’s fundraising activities as agreed on by the crew members.
5. I will participate in a physical conditioning program to prepare myself for the trek.
6. I will attend shakedown meetings, and attend the equipment assessment meeting.
7. I will attend at least 60% of shakedown hikes.
8. (Youth) My parents agree to become involved in the Philmont 2015 program to help me be prepared.
9. I will ensure that all payments for the trek are made at least one week ahead of the established due dates.
10. I will have a current medical form on file with the Crew to participate in shakedown hikes.
11. I will take a medical exam and complete a medical form as required by Philmont Scout Ranch.
12. I will demonstrate leadership by putting my Crew’s needs ahead of my own preferences.
13. I will participate in necessary training and use those skills and techniques to support my Crew.
14. I will live by the Scout Oath, Scout Law and Outdoor Code.
15. I will follow the principles and practices of the Philmont Scout Ranch.

Any deviations to the above will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis.

I believe I am fully capable of completing this agreement. I also realize that if I decide not to complete this agreement, I may not participate in Philmont 2015. By signing this agreement, I acknowledge that the choice is mine whether or not I will participate in Philmont 2015.

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Participant Crew Advisor

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Parent or Guardian (Youth) Date