

## **CELL PHONE USE AT PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH**

Cell Phones are permitted in the backcountry, however, they are **NOT** encouraged. Many areas of Philmont have no cell coverage.

There is not opportunity to recharge a cell phone once you have left Base Camp.

If a cell phone is used for an emergency, please use the following process.

- 1) Phone Philmont Scout Ranch: **505-376-2281** to report an emergency. State that it is an emergency call and you need to speak to Logistics.
- 2) Give Expedition Number.
- 3) State who is calling and the Cell #. (If the phone has an indicator of battery life, please state how much battery time you have. You may be directed to turn off your phone and call back at a specific time in order to save the remaining battery life.)
- 4) Please remain in your current location until emergency response is activated.
- 5) Briefly describe the emergency situation. (Twenty-five words or less.)
- 6) Accurately state the location of the emergency. Please be prepared with grid coordinates.
- 7) Be prepared with all other emergency information you have written on your map as directed by your Ranger.