

2026 Compton Traditional Bowhunters

4th Annual Youth Hunt Application

Youth Name: _____ Hunter Education Certificate No.: _____

Date of Birth _____ Height _____ Weight _____

Please answer the following questions:

1. Do you have a hunter education certificate? Yes _____ No _____
2. If answer is no, can you arrange to complete a Hunter Education class prior to the hunt? Yes _____ No _____
3. Do you have a recurve or longbow? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, what poundage? _____
4. Have you ever hunted a big game animal? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, what weapon? _____

Legal Guardian Information: Name _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Legal Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Youth hunters will use longbows and recurves to hunt whitetail deer and turkey on the private Plum Creek Ranch in North Central Nebraska. Youth must be 12 to 17 years old and able to accurately shoot a 35# longbow or recurve. All applications will be reviewed and youth selection will be at the sole discretion of the Compton Board. A legal guardian will be required to sign a liability release form and be present in the camp, but will not hunt. We do ask legal guardians to help around camp. Compton will provide experienced mentors who will not hunt, but will accompany and advise the youth hunter. **Considerable time, effort, passion and funds are expended to provide this hunt opportunity. We are looking for youth who are committed to go on this hunt. Youth who are selected for this hunt are expected to attend and give this hunt priority over other activities that may conflict.**

The hunt is planned for October 1—4, 2026. Participants are required to furnish their own transportation to and from Plum Creek Ranch. All participants will meet in Ainsworth, Nebraska at 11 a.m. Central time on October 1st. From there, we will travel together to the Plum Creek Ranch. Thursday afternoon, we'll have lunch, orientation and safety meeting followed by an evening hunt. Our final hunt will conclude at noon on Sunday. Hunters will stay in the cabin. Parents and mentors will stay in the tents provided. Compton will also provide food and reimburse the cost of licenses. Youth hunters and parents/legal guardians need to bring a sleeping bag and pillow. Youth hunters also need to bring appropriate hunting clothes and equipment. A maximum of 4 youth hunters will participate on this hunt.

Application and Essay (on back) Deadline: Must be postmarked or emailed by June 1, 2026
Important: Send or email completed Application and Essay (on the back of this application) to:

Scott Hargrove
14805 Pecos St
Westminster, CO 80023
Youth@ComptonTraditionalBowhunters.com

Questions? Please contact:

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Craig Schoneberg 308-390-7225 Ishi522@charter.net

Please explain why you want to attend this hunt and why traditional bowhunting is important to you?

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