



UNITED STATES **MARINES**

GRADUATION CEREMONY
MCRD PARRIS ISLAND, SC

WELCOME TO MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT

PARRIS ISLAND

On behalf of the Commanding General, Marine Corps Recruit Depot and Eastern Recruiting Region, welcome to this morning's graduation ceremony. Today's graduates have earned the title "United States Marine" through hard work, perseverance, and personal sacrifice. While we recognize what they have accomplished, we must also recognize the role you played. Your support and encouragement sustained them, helping them realize their goal of becoming a Marine. Thank you, and welcome to our Marine Corps family!

You're undoubtedly aware that the Marine Corps and our country expect much of your Marine. They are now held to a higher standard; a standard rooted in our core values and embraced during their transformation from civilian to Marine. They have established a solid foundation that will allow them to face life's challenges with confidence, courage, and honor. They have been tested in recruit training and will face greater tests in the future.

This pamphlet provides a brief overview of our core values and the concept of transformation, and provides guidance useful during your new Marine's leave period and for reporting to their next assignment. Please review this information together. You will better understand what your Marine has done, and they will be better prepared for their next stage of training. If you have any questions your Marine cannot answer while home, please contact your local recruiter.

Thank you for entrusting us with your Marine. Together, we, the Marine Corps family, can keep our Marines focused on their mission and purpose. The result will be limitless potential for success in the Marine Corps and in life.

I hope you enjoy the remainder of your visit at Parris Island and will take time to tour our Recruit Depot with your Marine. Please accept my best wishes for a happy and safe return home for both you and your Marine.



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PASS IN REVIEW

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MARINES' HYMN*

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*PLEASE RISE



“Some people live their whole lives and wonder if they have made a difference. Marines don’t have that problem.”

President Ronald Reagan

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS
RECRUIT TRAINING REGIMENT
MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT
PARRIS ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA

25 February 2022

Recruit Training Regiment

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Colonel B. W. Ward
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major F. Casillas

4th Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Lieutenant Colonel A. R. Dones
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major S. A. Rivera

Commander of Troops

Captain B. W. Kiel

Parade Adjutant

Captain A. Rivera

Company "P", 4th Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Captain B. W. Kiel
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....First Sergeant L. K. VanSickle
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain N. H. Paduda
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER.....1stLt A. M. Axelrod
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant V. V. Cotto
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant J. A. Smith

Drill Masters

Gunnery Sergeant I. J. Woods
Staff Sergeant A. Velazquez

Chaplain

Lieutenant Junior Grade I. A. Clark, USN

Color Guard

Sergeant D. J. Meabon Sergeant R. R. Kennedy
Sergeant E. J. Daise Sergeant J. V. Martinez

PLATOON 4004

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt F. R. Cruz
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt L. A. GomezEnriquez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt J. Melendez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt M. A. Fleming
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt J. F. Casey



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC K. M. Bittenger
HOMETOWN.....	Longwood, FL
RECRUITED BY.....	Sgt Lopez

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	Pvt D. T. Luangpakdy (333)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Sackowitz

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....	PFC Z. C. Wyant (567)
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PFC Baker, J. D.	Pvt Porter, A. D.
PFC Bearint, J. T.*	PFC Powell, P. W.
Pvt Becerrapena, E. A.	Pvt Reynolds, K. J.
PFC Bester, M. A.	PFC Resendez, M. A.
PFC Bittinger, K. M.*	PFC Roberts Jr., G. E.
Pvt Branco, A. L.	PFC Scheidt, S. S.
Pvt Brooks, T. J.	PFC Scislowicz, G. M.
PFC Catenis, B. C.*	Pvt Shaw, S. O.
Pvt Chavezaguirre, E.	PFC Shemancik, C. L.
Pvt Collins, B. D.	PFC Simmons, M. S.
PFC Collins, D. M.*	Pvt Skees, E. D.
PFC Daughtry, B. W.	Pvt Smith, N. J.
PFC Dawkins Jr., P. M.	Pvt Snipes, S. M.
Pvt Dominguez, A. A.	Pvt Sowell, C. A.
Pvt Doublerley, J. C.	Pvt Stapleton, E. A.
Pvt Felts, K. Z.	Pvt Stephens, G.
Pvt Eversole, J. N.	Pvt Stepp, K. H.
Pvt Gaona Jr., J.	Pvt Stone, S. C.
Pvt Harvey, Z. T.	Pvt Strongmoore, J. L.
PFC Hunnicutt, E. B.	PFC Sunderland, C. T.
Pvt Ireton, D. A.	Pvt Umhoefer Jr., R. M.
PFC Irish, C. R.	PFC Vaught, J. G.
Pvt Lawshe Jr., S. E.	Pvt Welsh, R. J.
Pvt Luangpakdy, D. T.	Pvt Woodard, C. A.
PFC Lugo, A.	PFC Wyant, Z. C.*
Pvt Mathew II, D. A.	PFC Zimmererandreucci, A. M.
Pvt McWaters, J. R.	
Pvt Mobley, D. T.	
PFC Moelter, G. H.	
Pvt Monroe, I. M.	
PFC Moralestorres, B. A.	
PFC Neal, J. T.	

*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

PLATOON 4005

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR	SSgt A. L. Leachman
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt C. V. Lugo
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt K. R. Coty
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt G. L. Echevarria



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC K. C. Miller
HOMETOWN.....	Virginia Beach, VA
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt Johnson

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC J. E. Guallpalema (331)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Day

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFC K. C. Miller (592)
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PFC Adams, M. E.	Pvt Riosherrera, K.
PFC Agustin, E. A.	PFC Rodriguezperez, M.
PFC Alcantara, B. L.	Pvt Roland, M. V.
PFC Alvarez, P.	PFC Rubiogonzalez, A. C.*
Pvt Arruda, K. M.	PFC Sales, L. M.
Pvt Bevins, T. G.	Pvt Schulz, S. C.
PFC Bohn, T. M.*	Pvt Serra, K. A.
Pvt Carradonamaria, L. F.	PFC Sorrozaaguilar, L. F.
Pvt Cerra, G. F.	Pvt Stone, M. M.
PFC Clark, A. M.*	Pvt Stsurin, C.
PFC Davis, K. B.*	Pvt Torres, M.
PFC Downing, K.	Pvt Villalta, K. S.
Pvt Germany, J. E.	PFC Voge, C. M.
Pvt Godsey, T. A.	Pvt Whiting, L. A.
Pvt Graybeal, J. L.	
PFC Guallpalema, J. E.	
PFC Guerrerotorres, K. N.	
PFC Holden, M. L.	
Pvt Huai, G. S.	
Pvt Inocencio, E. I.	
PFC Laureanosoto, J. A.	
PFC Leostorres, G.	
PFC McGee, M. B.	
Pvt McKinley, A. I.	
PFC Medeiros, C. S.	
Pvt Meek, M. G.	
PFC Miller, K. C.*	
Pvt Mukwaya, T. R.	
PFC Polancorivera, R. L.	
PFC Polancorivera, R. L.*	
Pvt Polite, A. M.	
Pvt Puente, P. A.	

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PLATOON 4006

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt A. M. Miedzinski
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt A. Temese
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt D. E. Lynch
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt SajbinSajbin
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt K. Loveless
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt J. Nie



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC B. P. Murphy
HOMETOWN.....	Nantucket, MA
RECRUITED BY.....	Sgt Wallace
PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	Pvt Z. S. Rodriguez (335)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Smith

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....Pvt C. GuererroTorres (582)

PFC Aguillonvazquez, J. C.	PFC Murphy, B. P.
Pvt Andrade Jr., R. C.	Pvt Myrick, G. O.
Pvt Anthanio, I. C.	Pvt Nelson, K. E.
Pvt AyalaagUILAR, D.	PFC Ochs, H. C.
Pvt Banegas, C. S.	Pvt Oliver, D. L.
Pvt Bostjanick, B. J.	PFC Padilla, D. E.
Pvt Calhoun, S. Z.	Pvt Paugh, G. M.
Pvt Canillas, C. J	Pvt Perry, B. E.
Pvt Charbonnier, A. J.	PFC Plerqui Jr., S. *
Pvt Cifuentes, D. A.	PFC Proper, E. T.
Pvt Cole, J. C.	Pvt Rhoderick, J. S.
Pvt Delgadomadina, B.	Pvt Rodriguez, A. M.
Pvt Demilio, M.	Pvt Rodriguez, Z. S.
Pvt Dinizulu, K. N.	Pvt Schumacher, J. T.
Pvt Downey Jr., J. J.	PFC Serrasalazar, C. A.
Pvt Edwards, C. S	Pvt Showers, D. J.
Pvt Garcia, J. N.	Pvt Showers, D. F.
PFC Gentry, H. S. *	Pvt Souza, S. A.
Pvt GonzalezRuiz, J. J.	Pvt Squires, T. B.
Pvt GuerreroTorres, C.	Pvt Sroczinski, G. P.
Pvt GuzmanAlfaro, C.	Pvt Tipton, T. A.
Pvt Hardy, J. A.	Pvt Tomasvejar, B. L.
Pvt Johnson, G. M.	Pvt Torrez, A. D.
Pvt Johnson, N. M	Pvt Wagner, M. R.
PFC Knightbarren, J. D.	PFC Walls, C. L.
PFC Lachney, N. A	PFC Wynn, L. S.
PFC Maske, J. C.	
PFC Masterson, J. F.	
Pvt McAmish, A. S.	
PFC Meluso, C. A.	
Pvt Meraorbe, I. S.	
PFC Mota, E.	

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PLATOON 4008

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt H. J. Cedeño
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt K. Jackson
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt L. E. Muñoz
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt B. Vilavanh
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt D. R. Martin



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC L. J. Howse
HOMETOWN.....	Nashville, TN
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt Ortiz

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC J. B. Decreane (336)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Moreno

COMPANY HIGH PFT/CFT.....	PFC M. A. RiveraGonzalez(596)
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Pvt Aubert, L. Y.	Pvt Nelson, K. D.
Pvt Aucapina, E. D.	Pvt Nievesgutierrez, S.
Pvt Barber, C. A.	Pvt O'Donnell, R. H.
Pvt Barthelemy, K.	Pvt Ortiz, M. F.
Pvt Bestul, M. V.	Pvt Parker, C. J.
Pvt Burke, C. J.	Pvt Pharris, T. S.
PFC Campbellmack, T. E.*	Pvt Radowitchambeare, H. J.
Pvt Carlo, J. D.	PFC Reeder, A. C.*
Pvt Conway, T. D.	Pvt Rigel, J. M.
Pvt Cook, E. R.	Pvt Rios, J. D.
PFC Cutchember, D. E.	PFC Rivera, E. L.*
PFC Decraene, J. B.*	PFC RiveraGonzalez, M. A.*
Pvt Diaz, A. L.	Pvt Rousseau, Z. C.
Pvt Easter, L. K.	Pvt Salcido, M. M.
Pvt Engel, A.	PFC Sanchez IV, E. F.*
Pvt Fernandes, Z. E.	Pvt Savoie, B. A.
Pvt Furman, T. W.	Pvt Sheppard, T. D.
Pvt Greczyn, A. J.	Pvt Smith, W. J.
Pvt Green, K. W.	PFC Sparks, J. C.
Pvt Herrera, L.	Pvt Spencer, J. K.
Pvt Hodges, J. N.	PFC Stsurin, J. S.*
PFC Howse, L. J.*	Pvt Vasquezgamez, J. S.
Pvt Jankowski, E. M.	Pvt VazquezCaraballo, A. J.
Pvt Kaichen, M. D.	Pvt Wagner, T. M.
Pvt Karlow, J. N.	Pvt Waldeck, M. L.
Pvt Keeling, N. J.	Pvt Wisniewski, A. W.
Pvt Kennedy, B. W.	Pvt Wycoff, L. S.
Pvt Kim, E. J.	Pvt Xie, J. L.
Pvt Leroux, E. J.	Pvt Zasun III, A. J.
Pvt Lipscomb, V. C.	Pvt Zouitina, I.
Pvt Lu, R.	
Pvt McBride, A. M.	

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PLATOON 4009

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt M. A. Almazán
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt E. M. Owings
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt A. O. Onipede



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC A. E. Cartagena
HOMETOWN.....	Roselle, NJ
RECRUITED BY.....	Sgt Minbs

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	Pvt A. D. Lopez(331)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Guest

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....	PFC M. I. Holden(592)
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PFC Aganon, C. I.	PFC SaenzHernandez, A.
Pvt Arenas, A. C.	Pvt Sanchez, K. A.
PFC Ashford, S. D.	PFC Seegmiller, E. V.
PFC Barnes, A. J.	Pvt Smart, J. M.
PFC Burbank D. R.	Pvt Thomas, D. L.
Pvt Calderon, A.	Pvt Thompson, Z. G.
Pvt Campbell, M. W.	PFC Trundle, A. K.
PFC Cartagena, A. E.	Pvt Valenciareyes, E. P.
Pvt Castillomorales, A. E.	PFC Velasquez, C. E.
Pvt Chavez, Y.	PFC Wheeler, O. A.*
Pvt Coleman, C. R.	PFC Wiley, T. M.*
Pvt Contreras, A. P.	
Pvt Delvalle, S. L.	
Pvt Estime, W.	
Pvt Fillman, E. L.	
PFC Gonsalves, S. N.	
PFC Guevara, A.	
PFC Gutierrez, R. N.	
PFC Holden, M. I.*	
Pvt Ilunga, M. T.	
Pvt Kristin, J. I.	
Pvt Lopez, A. D.	
Pvt Lopez, M. M.	
PFC Mahoney, K. T.	
Pvt Morales, D. M.	
Pvt Oleaaviles, E. E.	
Pvt Ortizleiva, K. A.	
Pvt Palik, M. J.	
PFC Pearsall, K. N.	
PFC Puckett, M. G.	
PFC Ramirezpaz, G.	
Pvt Rogers, O. G.	

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PLATOON 4010

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt J. T. Youngs
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt R. J. Royer
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt D. Hannah
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt B. G. Tarr
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt A. J. Wootton
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt D. Williams



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC J. L. Hilliard
HOMETOWN.....	Gonzales, LA
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt Acoupulco
PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC M. A. Hart (336)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Sam

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFC K. D. McAlister (566)
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Pvt Anderson, T. R.	Pvt Lanham, B. K.
Pvt Arede, M. A.	PFC Lawn, B. P.
Pvt Argento, M. D.	Pvt Linaburg, D. M.
Pvt Ayala, D. A.	Pvt Martinez, L. A.
Pvt Barragan, B. J.	PFC McAlister, K. D.
Pvt Bowman, C. D.	Pvt Mendoza Martinez, E.
Pvt Bradford, L. L.	Pvt Myers, J. P.
Pvt Britton, S. C.	PFC Oliver, M. A.
PFC Brown, B. H.	PFC Otterbine, K. J.
PFC Bulus, R.	Pvt Pacheco, G. I.
Pvt Butkiewicz, J. E.	Pvt Paul, S.
PFC Castroserrano, E.	PFC Pierson, I. J.
PFC Cheyne, W. G.	Pvt President, G.
Pvt Contrerasruiz, H. R.	Pvt Quevedo, K. E.
Pvt Croce, C. J.	PFC Rodriguez, X. A.
PFC Cumbicuslojano, K. D.	PFC Rosa Jr., S.
Pvt Davey, J. W.	Pvt Rouse, A. J.
PFC Diosa, K.	Pvt Sallaway, N. S.
Pvt Fogel, J. P.	Pvt Santosmora, I. M.
Pvt Fry Jr., L. W.	Pvt Seltsam, J. J.
Pvt Gamoneda, J.	PFC Stsurin, M. K.
Pvt Gonzalez, J. D.	Pvt Tanis, B.
Pvt Gurney, C. G.	PFC Toro, C. D.
PFC Hart, M. A.	Pvt Volochenko, N. S.
PFC Hegele, S. C	Pvt Walter Jr., T. L.
Pvt Hernandezreyes, F. E.	PFC Waugh, C. I.
PFC Hilliard, J. L.*	PFC Wells, S. M.
PFC Holbrook, T. N.	
Pvt Johnson, H. R.	
PFC Jones, N. W.	
Pvt Kelley, S. P.	
PFC Krikorian, D. H.	

TRANSFORMATION



The Marine Corps makes Marines and wins battles. We consider these two activities to be inextricably linked, and believe the individual Marine decides the outcome of any conflict or military action despite constant advances in battlefield technology.

Today, Marines are committed across the globe to operations as diverse as guarding American diplomatic missions, providing disaster relief, and conducting combat operations. Thousands more remain forward deployed, ready to secure our nations' interest on short notice.

Operating successfully in such diverse and complex operating environments is challenging, but these challenges are not new. Marines have faced, and overcome, similar challenges throughout history. To ensure our future success, we looked to the Marines of the past to see what made them successful in battles like Belleau Wood, Iwo Jima, the Chosin Reservoir, Hue City, and Fallujah. We found that strong character and a fighting spirit rooted in core values were essential to our past success. Developing strength of character and instilling these core values is the essence of what we call “transformation.”



THE TRANSFORMATION LIFECYCLE



The transformation process begins with recruiting, where we select young men and women of demonstrated potential and commitment and prepare them for recruit training.

Transformation accelerates during boot camp, where Drill Instructors remain the key to making Marines. Drill Instructors transform recruits into basic Marines through intense, demanding training including close order



drill, physical fitness, academics, combat water survival, close combat, and marksmanship. They instruct, mentor and lead recruits, exemplifying Core Values in all they do. Their efforts culminate during the 11th week of training in the Crucible, a grueling 54-hour evaluation of physical, mental, and moral fitness emphasizing selflessness and teamwork.

Transformation is sustained and reinforced throughout each Marine's period of service while assigned to operating units, where teamwork and commitment are essential to success. Regular training and individual mentorship support the continued development of each Marine. Additionally, required formal courses of Professional Military Education emphasize further development of character and core values.



Ultimately, we seek to return transformed Americans home to strengthen our society at the completion of their service. The Corps is known for making Marines who leave active duty to become strong leaders in the community. These Marines demonstrate the lasting value of strength of character based on our core values.



U.S. MARINE CORPS CORE VALUES

Generations of American men and women have given special meaning to the term United States Marine by their performance on and off the battlefield. Feared by enemies, respected by allies, and loved by the American people, Marines are a “special breed.” This reputation was gained and is maintained by adhering to a set of enduring core values, the guiding beliefs and principles that give us strength, influence our attitudes, and regulate our behavior. Our Core Values are:

HONOR

The quality that guides Marines to exemplify the ultimate in ethical and moral behavior; to never lie, cheat, or steal; to abide by an uncompromising code of integrity; to respect human dignity; to have respect and concern for each other. The quality of maturity, dedication, trust, and dependability that commits Marines to act responsibly; to fulfill obligations; to be accountable for actions and to hold others accountable for their actions.

COURAGE

Courage is the mental, moral, and physical strength ingrained in Marines to carry them through the challenges of combat and the mastery of fear; to do what is right; to adhere to a higher standard of personal conduct; to lead by example, and to make tough decisions under stress and pressure.

COMMITMENT

The spirit of determination that leads to professionalism and mastery of the art of war. It leads to the highest order of discipline for unit and self; enabling 24-hour-a-day dedication to Corps and Country; pride; concern for others; and an unrelenting determination to achieve a standard of excellence in every endeavor. Commitment is the value that establishes the Marine as the warrior and citizen others strive to emulate.

GUIDANCE FOR NEW MARINES

As one of our Corps' newest Marines, you will normally travel to your home of record for 10 days of well earned "boot leave" prior to reporting for follow-on training at the School of Infantry. While home on leave, take the time to rest and re-connect with your Marine family and friends. Stay true to our core values of honor, courage, and commitment. Maintain your physical fitness, and remain safe in day-to-day activities. Use this time to rest, reflect upon the commitment you have made to our Corps and nation, and prepare for your next phase of training. I encourage you to contact your recruiter and assist them in selecting qualified candidates for enlistment.

YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

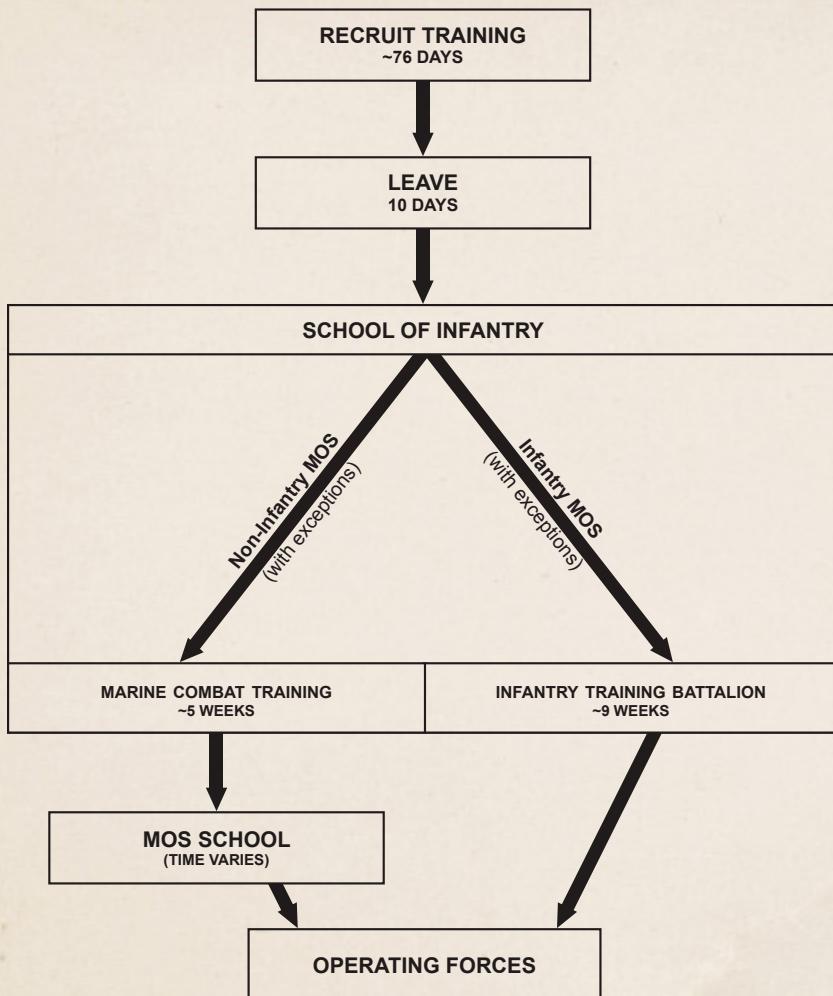
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself in accordance with the high standards to which you have been held. Demonstrate to everyone your transformation into a proud, disciplined Marine. Many of your friends and acquaintances will not understand your commitment, and you may need to make tough decisions as a result. Have courage. Remember, you now represent the Marine Corps to your family, friends, hometown, and our nation.

MY EXPECTATIONS

Use our Core Values as a moral compass. Be true to yourself, your family, our Corps, and our nation. Our Core Values apply, always and everywhere. You may be tempted to participate in activities incompatible with our ethos; stay committed to the course you chose when you received your Eagle, Globe, and Anchor. Additionally maintain your physical readiness; this is a life-long effort and you have a good start. Watch what you eat, stay hydrated, go for light runs during leave, and maintain your upper body strength. I challenge you to assist our Corps in recruiting. For over 242 years, every Marine has been a recruiter. Contact your recruiter - you may have the opportunity to impact our recruiting effort and improve your opportunities for promotion at the same time. Finally, be safe. Think before you act. You have not driven a motor vehicle in over three months, so be careful. Drive safely, and above all else, don't drink and drive. In the end, I expect you to arrive at your next duty station rested, healthy, and ready to continue your training.

ENTRY-LEVEL TRAINING OVERVIEW

The chart below outlines the basic entry level training progression for new Marines, from recruit training, through the School of Infantry, and on to the Operating Forces. Most Marines assigned non-infantry Military Occupational Specialties (MOS) will complete Marine Combat Training while at the School of Infantry, followed by their MOS school. Some assigned non-infantry MOSs will attend Infantry Training Battalion in lieu of Marine Combat Training, followed by their MOS school. Those assigned infantry MOSs will attend Infantry Training Battalion.



MERITORIOUS PROMOTIONS

Marines are eligible to earn meritorious promotions to the next higher rank by referring qualified applicants for enlistment to their recruiter.

- A private needs only one referral for promotion to private first class. In addition to increased authority and responsibility, this promotion will increase the Marine's pay more than \$150 per month.
- A private first class requires only two referrals for promotion to lance corporal. This promotion will increase the Marine's pay by over \$75 per month and will provide the Marine an even greater opportunity to demonstrate his or her leadership and professionalism.

SCHOOL OF INFANTRY REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS

- Report to the Commanding Officer, School of Infantry-East. The uniform for reporting to the School of Infantry-East is the Service "A" uniform.
- Pack two full sets of utilities (one green digital and one desert digital), boots and hygiene kit in your carry-on bag.
- Carry your ID card, ID tags, orders, SRB and medical/dental records in your carry-on bag.
- Bring all Marine Corps issued clothing and equipment.
- Wear appropriate civilian attire while traveling between your leave address and the School of Infantry-East.
- If you need immediate assistance while you are on leave, contact your recruiter.
- The contact information for the School of Infantry-East at Camp Geiger, North Carolina is Student Administration at (910) 449-0441/0442/0443. During non-working hours (1700-0700 Monday-Friday, weekends, and holidays), call the Officer of the Day at (910) 449-0179.
- The School of Infantry-East website contains additional information. The address is <http://www.tecom.marines.mil/soieast/unithome.aspx>



Review photos from today's graduation at the official Parris Island Facebook page.
<http://www.facebook.com/ParrisIsland>

A blurred, out-of-focus photograph showing the backs of several Marine Corps recruits in dark uniforms with red piping and gold buttons, standing in formation.

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