



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.



SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

INVOCATION*

SOUND ATTENTION

ADJUTANT'S CALL

MARCH ON OF TROOPS

*NATIONAL ANTHEM**

SOUND OFF

REPORT — PUBLISH THE ORDER

OFFICERS' CENTER

COMMANDING OFFICER REMARKS

PASS IN REVIEW

RETIREMENT OF GUIDONS

INTRODUCTION OF AWARD RECIPIENTS

*MARINES' HYMN**

FINAL DISMISSAL

*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

15 April 2021

Recruit Training Regiment

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

First Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Lieutenant Colonel M. C. Rock
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major K. S. Williamson

Commander of Troops

Captain J. L. Rothfeld

Parade Adjutant

Captain D. R. Durno

Company “D”, 1st Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Captain J. L. Rothfeld
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....First Sergeant E. D. Diaz
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain A. J. Raguso
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain J. C. Munshaur
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant C. M. Claxton Jr.
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant C. Villaneda

Drill Masters

Gunnery Sergeant T. M. Moore
Staff Sergeant V.D. Streater

Chaplain

Lieutenant D. C. Ashley, USN

Color Guard

Sergeant D. J. Meabon Sergeant J. S. Lanier
Sergeant E. J. Daise Sergeant J. V. Martinez

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt B. C. Fraley
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. R. White
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt K. M. Fields



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC D. Q. Staton
 HOMETOWN.....Concord, NC
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Gustafson

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt Canuelasvasquez, A. M. (330)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Perez
 COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC M.N. Brock (597)

PFC Allred, A. R.	Pvt Lang, D. J.
Pvt Austin, C. E.	Pvt Lewis, H. L.
PFC Aviles, J. D.	PFC Lopez, N. J.*
Pvt Bailey, T. S.	PFC Mayotte, M. M.
PFC Bakerlewis, B. E.*	Pvt Mccracken, M. B.
Pvt Barton, G. A.	PFC Melendez, K. J.
PFC Bieker, N. R.	Pvt Moore, D. R.
Pvt Bodway, J. K.	PFC Mowrey, K. A.
PFC Brock, M. N.	Pvt Munoz, H. M.
Pvt Canuelasvasquez, A. M.	Pvt Mustelier, E.
PFC Colwell Jr., C.*	Pvt Oliveros, A.
Pvt Credle, J. B.	PFC Orengo, K. R.
Pvt Curfinan, A. S.	Pvt Redona, D. L.
Pvt Daley, H. M.	Pvt Reh, D.
Pvt Donaldson Jr., W. D.	Pvt Reyesrincon, T.
Pvt Dotting, K. K.	PFC Riggins, A. Y.
Pvt Drummond, A. J.	Pvt Rochelle, D. L.
Pvt Ellison, B. G.	Pvt Rosariomartinez, A. G.
Pvt Ford, T. K.	Pvt Russell, H. A.
Pvt Gavilansanchez, C. S.	Pvt Santiagorellanes, A. G.
Pvt Gentry, B. S.	Pvt Schneider, E. A.
Pvt Georgehernandez, N. J.	PFC Shodja, T. R.
PFC Gipp, M. M.	Pvt Spicer, M. S.
Pvt Gomez, G. A.	PFC Staton, D. Q.*
PFC Gonzalez, D. A.	Pvt Tate, A. D.
Pvt Hancock, H. A.	PFC Truax, G. S.
PFC Hayes, C. J.	Pvt Valencia, E. E.
Pvt Helffrich, L. P.	Pvt Wellmon, M. G.
PFC Howard, Z. A.	Pvt Younts, J. W.
Pvt Iniestra, P. B.	
Pvt Jackson III, E.	
PFC Jones, R. D.	

*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt G. M. Preston II
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. H. Wood
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. W. Floresperez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. R. Ennen



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC T. W. Wall
 HOMETOWN.....Chesterfield, VA
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Wilson

PLATOON HIGH SHOOOTER.....PFC T.W Wall (335)
 MAKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Otterbourg

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC J. C. Arrendondoresendiez (579)

PFC Arredondoresendiz, J. C.*	Pvt Muir, C. A.
Pvt Beaulieu, J. M.	Pvt Nasuti, W. J.
Pvt Belisle, D. A.	PFC Nguyen, T.
PFC Brodman, K. D.	PFC Nicholson, K. G.
Pvt Cruz, V. J.	Pvt Nihiser, B. M.
Pvt Driver, L. K.	PFC Noel, V. R.
PFC Effs, O. M.	PFC Obrien Jr., D. P.
Pvt Fleming, C. K.	PFC Oleary, J. K.
Pvt Francesconi, D. M.	PFC Ortiz, J. C.
Pvt Fransen, E. C.	PFC Owens, A. B.*
Pvt Friend, J. D.	Pvt Perine, P. J.
Pvt Garrison, E. K.	Pvt Rigodon, W. K.
Pvt Geyer III, K. A.	Pvt Robere, M. J.
Pvt Glover, M. A.	Pvt Rodas, K. G.
Pvt Hall, A. N.	Pvt Rodriguezvargas, B. N.
PFC Hancock, H. H.	PFC Ruizmontes, J. A.
Pvt Hernandezvazquez, A. G.	Pvt Smith, E. T.
PFC Hodge, R. J.	PFC Suess, B. A.
Pvt Hutton, R. C.	PFC Twittydavis, J. D.
PFC Kinsman, B. M.	PFC Vilela, J. E.
Pvt Lee, D. M.	PFC Wall, T. W.*
Pvt Lewin, A. L.	Pvt Wheat, N. A.
PFC Maggiacomo, N. J.	PFC Wood, M. B.*
Pvt Maliszewski, W. S.	Pvt Woods, B. M.
Pvt Mcilhargey, G. M.	
PFC Melton, D. K.	
PFC Merrill, E. J.	
Pvt Mitchell, C. E.	
Pvt Moffitt, T. P.	
Pvt Mondejar, L. A.	
Pvt Morse, A. A.	
Pvt Mosqueravazquez, M. F.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt K. Caro
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt M. A. Louis
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt R. J. Colon
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. A. Hauser



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC M. W. Rotella IV
 HOMETOWN.....Richmond, VA
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Ruiz

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC T. G. Curry (335)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Sackewitz

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC E. Teague (581)

PFC Akers, E. A.	Pvt Lopezcharez, K. A.
Pvt Ayewozanna, M. A.	PFC Lopezpalacios Jr., M. E.
Pvt Baezguzman, M.	PFC Lora, M. J.*
PFC Baker, A. D.	Pvt Lucess, C. K.
Pvt Bellomccormick, D. C.	Pvt Luck, M. E.
PFC Blanks III, J. L.	PFC Mannix, S. P.
PFC Bragg, C. T.	PFC Mashchenko, A.
Pvt Bristow, D. K.	PFC Menniti, J. M.
Pvt Brungard, J. S.	Pvt Minuto, K. J.
Pvt Buckley, K. M.	Pvt Moize, J.
Pvt Bustillotorres, D. A.	Pvt Montesinos, A. A.
Pvt Butler, S. T.	Pvt Nave, I. C.
PFC Cabides, O. S.	PFC Oleyar, A. P.
Pvt Campos, J. M.	PFC Ortiz, M. A.
PFC Carvalho, B. A.	Pvt Palaguachi, J. I.
Pvt Castiblancovalera, M. S.	PFC Palmer, D. W.
Pvt Chafra, S. O.	PFC Raines, R. E.
PFC Colladogutierrez, J. J.	Pvt Ramadan, Y. M.
PFC Cox Jr., W. L.	Pvt Ramirez, O. J.
PFC Curry, T. G.	PFC Rotella IV, M. W.
Pvt Dawson, T. J.	Pvt Salzer, D. P.
Pvt Derosier, M. E.	PFC Sossarubio, D. A.
Pvt Diaz, Z. D.	Pvt Sullins, J. B.
PFC Edgar, P. D.	PFC Teague, E.*
Pvt Garcia, A.	PFC Vasquez, D. E.
PFC Haley, C. J.	
PFC Hamshar II, J. D.*	
PFC Henry, Z. A.*	
Pvt Horton, M. J.	
Pvt Hosey, D. B.	
PFC Izurieta, J. E.	
Pvt Kirsch, J. R.	
Pvt Lemasters, K. M.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt G. A. Hughes
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt R. H. Spotswood
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt E. A. Damian
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt T. T. Jones



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC D. V. Jones
 HOMETOWN.....Orlando, FL
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Former Houser
 COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt Q. R. Dwinell (339)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Day
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt S. R. Leavey Jr. (592)

Pvt Actis, C. M.	Pvt Malve, A.
PFC Alrushdawi, H.	Pvt Martinez, M.
Pvt Attanasio, J. J.	Pvt McDonald, E. M.
Pvt Birchmeyer, J. R.	Pvt Melara, C.
PFC Birdwell, T. A.	PFC Mixson, J. A.
Pvt Blancoavila, C. A.	Pvt Montalvo, D. J.
Pvt Bowker, R.	Pvt Morse, D. D.
PFC Buckroth, W. A.	Pvt Niesz, C. F.
Pvt Calvo, A. D.	Pvt Pabilando, N. I.
PFC Carr, M. A.	PFC Pate, W. J.
PFC Castellanni, J.*	Pvt Perezross, Y. G.
PFC Clayton, J. A.	Pvt Previsnord, E.
PFC Diaz Jr., I. E.	Pvt Prietomolina, J. G.
Pvt Diazmateo, L.	PFC Reid, O. A.
Pvt Dorn, D. M.	Pvt Robbins, C. A.
Pvt Dwinell, Q. R.	PFC Romero Jr., A.*
Pvt Ellis, J. R.	PFC Sanford, K. M.
Pvt Fernandezvelez, J.	PFC Shenko, B. J.
Pvt Fischer, K. M.	PFC Smith, A. J.
PFC Harris, H. B.	Pvt Stimson, D. R.
Pvt Hawkins, H. C.	PFC Terrell, K. N.
Pvt Hawkinsbrown, T. J.	PFC Vazquez Iv, B. J.*
Pvt Herbert, A. J.	PFC Velardo Iv, N.
Pvt Higgins, K. T.	Pvt Velasquez, S.
Pvt Hope Jr., X. J.	Pvt Weisman, J. K.
Pvt Jackson, T. B.	PFC Willey, L. D.
Pvt Johns, C. W.	PFC Williams, C. N.
PFC Jones, D. V.*	Pvt Wilson, D. L.
Pvt King, C. R.	
PFC Kountur, H. K.	
Pvt Leavey Jr., S. R.	
Pvt Luckey, B. R.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. M. Rivera
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt V. M. Castillo
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt C. Rosario
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. M. Kivett

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC N. K. Langford
 HOMETOWN.....Mount Clair, VA
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Martinez

PLANTOONHIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt M.R. Stussi (325)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Smith

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC Cassarino, Steven J.(593)

Pvt Babin, C. P.	Pvt Minter, M. J.
Pvt Bello, J. A.	Pvt Myers, J. N.
Pvt Bonadies, A. J.	Pvt Neese, D. A.
Pvt Bonham, P. L.	PFC Noblit, C. A. *
Pvt Bourgoin, N. D.	PFC Okeke, G. V.*
PFC Bricenosaa, V. E.	PFC Panyko, M. G.*
Pvt Burgos III, J.	Pvt Pintado, L. A.
PFC Butler, T. A.	Pvt Raifstanger, M. B.
PFC Cassarino, S. J.	Pvt Rasha, H. D.
PFC Dazet, J. A.	Pvt Reich, L. P.
PFC Debeaucourt, J. M.	Pvt Rodriguez, E. M.
PFC Donaher, I. M.	Pvt Salgado, C. J.
Pvt Douglas, T. D.	Pvt Snurr, B. R.
PFC Downey, S. I.	Pvt Stroud, A. C.
PFC Eom, Y.	Pvt Stussi, M. R.
Pvt Fahrenkopf, D. K.	Pvt Thompson, B. K.
Pvt Flaherty, M. A.	Pvt Torricoflores, M. W.
Pvt Frazier, J. R.	Pvt Turner, C. A.
Pvt Gilliam, T. J.	PFC Valentine, K. D.
Pvt Glan, T.	PFC Valliere, T. A.*
Pvt Grabowski, N. R.	PFC Walters, J. A.
Pvt Gum, W. B.	PFC Wang, K. R.
Pvt Jackson, T. J.	Pvt Whittingham, L. R.
PFC Juneau, B. P.	Pvt Woods Jr., T. A.
Pvt Kim, S.	
PFC Krause, K. A.	
Pvt Kudrakokashatus, C. B.	
Pvt Landry, A. D.	
PFC Langford, N. K.	
Pvt Madison Jr., K. T.	
Pvt Mccarty, H. S.	
Pvt Mccspedonhavr, M. P.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt I. L. Davis Jr.
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. N. GarciaSoto
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. J. Robinson
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt L. J. Wiersteiner



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC L. D. Jaumotte
 HOMETOWN.....Rochester Hills, MI
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Z. T. Gore
 PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt J. W. Fisher, (333)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Smith
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt J. W. Simback (590)

Pvt Abujoudeh, I. J.	Pvt Mellonjohnson, C. I.
Pvt Abujoudeh, J. J.	Pvt Nichols, J. R.
Pvt Allmon, J. J.	PFC Oconnell, K. M.*
PFC Asabia, A. A.	PFC Pasko, H. J.
Pvt Bechtel, L. T.	Pvt Prins, J. S.
Pvt Bernardino, J. C.	Pvt Ruizgiuseppi, A.
Pvt Bobbitt, B. L.	Pvt Sands Jr., J. G.
Pvt Breitenbach, N. A.	Pvt Sann, N. R.
Pvt Calvin, J. C.	Pvt Saucedo, J.
Pvt Carrillo, L. G.	Pvt Sidwell, J. C.
PFC Chunn, A. J.	Pvt Simback, J. W.
Pvt Damico, D. D.	Pvt Sinchisibri, M. I.
Pvt Dennis, M. J.	Pvt Smith, B. M.
Pvt Dominguez, J. C.	Pvt Smith, K. R.
Pvt Fisher, J. W.	Pvt Smith, Q. B.
Pvt George Jr., J. L.	Pvt Solis, R. R.
Pvt Goos, D. J.	PFC Strader, R. M.
Pvt Gunter, T. A.	Pvt Tamino, D. T.
Pvt Gutierrez, D. A.	Pvt Turcioscolon, A. M.
Pvt Guyette, G. D.	Pvt Vegamartinez, A. E.
Pvt Hall Jr., T. S.	Pvt Weiss, N. S.
Pvt Hernandez Jr, A.	PFC Wilkie, J. R.
PFC Hernandez, J. S.	PFC Willis, R. J.*
Pvt Hoel, E. J.	Pvt Wrinkles, K. A.
Pvt Hullett, C. L.	
PFC Jaumotte, L. D.*	
Pvt Karim, C. J.	
PFC Kessler, A. C.	
Pvt Koy, E. S.	
Pvt Lawson, C. W.	
Pvt Mccray, V. P.	
PFC McMahon, J. L.*	

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MARINES' HYMN

From the halls of Montezuma,
To the shores of Tripoli;
We fight our country's battles
In the air, on land, and sea;
First to fight for right and freedom
And to keep our honor clean;
We are proud to claim the title
OF UNITED STATES MARINE.

Our flag's unfurled to every breeze
From dawn to setting sun;
We have fought in every clime and place
Where we could take a gun;
In the snow of far-off northern lands
And in sunny tropic scenes;
You will find us always on the job
THE UNITED STATES MARINES.

Here's health to you and to our Corps
Which we are proud to serve;
In many a strife we've fought for life
And have never lost our nerve;
If the Army and the Navy
Ever look on heaven's scenes;
They will find the streets are guarded
BY UNITED STATES MARINES.

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

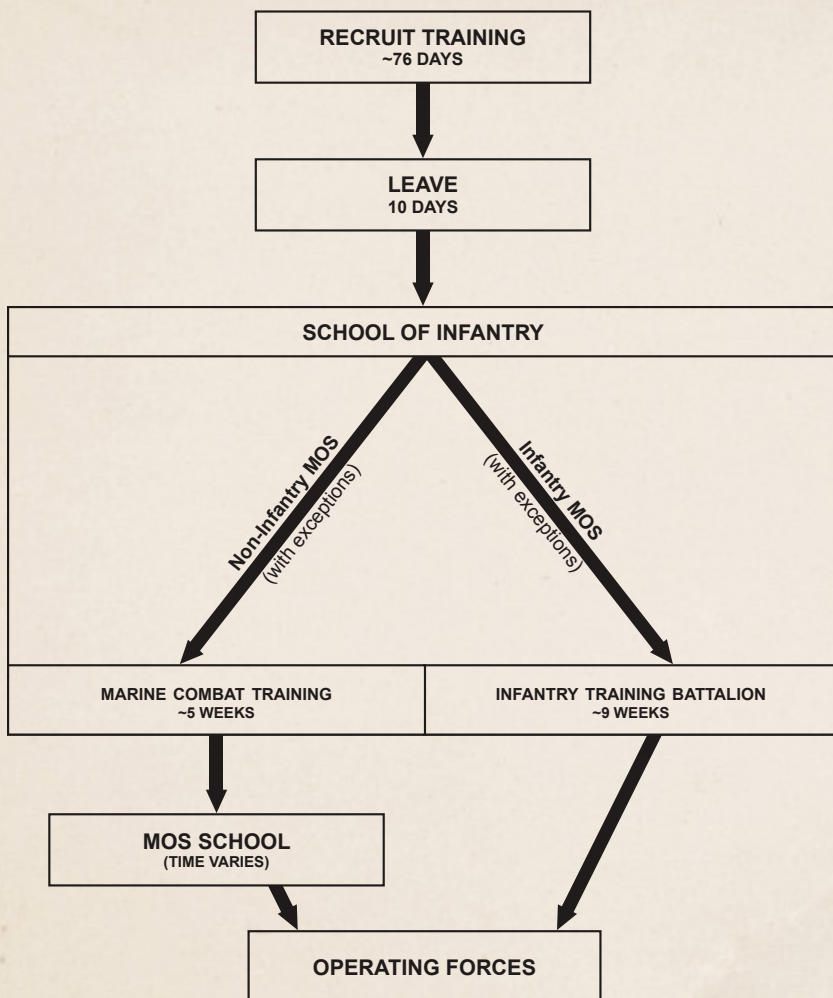
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself 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>



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