



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



"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

7 October, 2022

Recruit Training Regiment

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

3rd Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Lieutenant Colonel G. F. Curley
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major M. R. Brown

Commander of Troops

Captain R. E. Harrell III

Parade Adjutant

Staff Sergeant J. R. Richardson

Company "I", 3rd Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Captain R. E. Harrell III
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....First Sergeant J. R. Jensen
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER.....First Lieutenant A. D. Lopez
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER.....First Lieutenant B. A. Dunn
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant A. W. Diallo
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant L. A. Alvarez

Drill Masters

Staff Sergeant E. B. Owrey
Gunnery Sergeant T. M. Moore

Chaplain

Lieutenant B. T. Johnson

Color Guard

Sergeant A. M. Leon Sergeant J. S. Lanier
Sergeant L. P. McDaniel Sergeant A. I. Temese

PLATOON 3064

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt C. A. Reeves
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. Peralta
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt R. A. Ovalle
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt I. Richards
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. R. Barron



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC Pickle, J.
 HOMETOWN.....Maurepas, LA
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Andrews

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC Baldwin, J. (338)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Neuville
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt Witkowski, O.B. (583)

Pvt Abundio, A. G.	Pvt Jow, S. M.	PFC Webb, G. T.
Pvt Adcock, R. C.	Pvt Juarezmora, M. A.	PFC Winters, A. L.*
Pvt Avelar, E. M.	PFC Kassuba, Z. E.	Pvt Witkowski, O. B.
Pvt Badea, A. J.	Pvt Kornegay IV, J. M.	Pvt Wyatt, C. B.
Pvt Baez, J. J.	Pvt Lawrence, J. E.	
Pvt Bakken, M.L.*	Pvt Lee II, H. L.	
PFC Baldwin, J. R.	Pvt Lisenby, B. E.	
Pvt Bates, B. A.	Pvt Lucas, B. L.	
Pvt Bennett Jr, B. A.	PFC Macklin, J. R.	
Pvt Berriosguevara, K. E.	PFC Magee, S. P.	
Pvt Blancoalvarez, J. S.	PFC Manser, N. B.	
PFC Bostain, D. G.	Pvt Marinmartinez, D. G.	
PFC Brott, H. C.	Pvt Martinez Jr., C. M.	
Pvt Buffkin, B. T.	PFC McCall, L. K.	
PFC Conn, S. M.	PFC McMurray, C. A.*	
PFC Conner III, Doyle R.	Pvt Mendez, J. A.	
Pvt Cortezpacheco, J. C.	PFC Mendez, M.	
Pvt Craven, B. V.	Pvt Moraleslopez, K. J.	
PFC Cruz, M. A.	Pvt Morey, N. M.	
PFC Dallas, J. E.	PFC Pickle, J. R.	
Pvt Davis, A. A.	PFC Pohlheber, D. J.	
PFC Gomezmoreira, L.	Pvt Randall, D. Q.	
PFC Greene, T. K.	PFC Reed, N. Q.*	
Pvt Gregory, S. R.	PFC Roach, A. C.*	
PFC Harlacher, C. R.	PFC Robinson, Z. D.	
PFC Howard, J. D.	Pvt Romano, R. M.	
Pvt Ivins, H. D.	PFC Russ, G. B.	
Pvt Jackson, H. P.	Pvt Shoemake, C. A.	
Pvt James Jr, J.	Pvt Sinclair, J. I.	
Pvt Janczak, J. G.	Pvt Sizemore, J. A.	
PFC Jernigan, S. D.	Pvt Turner, A. S.	
Pvt Johnson, A. C.	PFC Vanzant, M. C.	

*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

PLATOON 3065

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt R. D. James
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt R. J. Zelencich III
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt B. L. Doyle
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt C.A. Standiford
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt W. E. Umanzor



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC Sulueta, A. C.
 HOMETOWN.....Virginia Beach, VA
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Lewis

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt T. S. Hair (337)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Vanmeter

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC C. L. Langley (550)

Pvt Ambler, J. M.	PFC Kirk, J. J.	Pvt Wells, B. W.
Pvt Andrews, S. W.	PFC Kleine III, W. F.	PFC Williams, J. E.
PFC Asher, L. W.	PFC Knauer V, G.	Pvt Yager, J. M.
PFC Barnes, W. B.	PFC Lail, T. B.	
Pvt Belkorchi, A.	PFC Lainez, O.	
PFC Blow Jr., A. M.	Pvt Mendezromero, K.	
PFC Borja, E. Y.	PFC Moran, E. C.	
Pvt Brothers, T. B.	PFC Morrell, S. A.	
PFC Bunch, D. B.	Pvt Munozgarcia, J. E.	
Pvt Cardosorodriguez, K. D.	PFC Norwood, J. L.	
PFC Cochran, A. M.	Pvt Okelley, J. R.	
Pvt Coley, E. J.	Pvt Perryman, K. H.	
Pvt Cravens, W. B.	PFC Puckett, B. R.	
Pvt Croftstanford, C. C.	PFC Pullen, J. E.	
Pvt Crowe, R. J.	PFC Rodriguez, A. J.	
Pvt Defrece, I. D.	Pvt Rodriguez, E.	
Pvt Douglas, B. G.	PFC Rowe, A. I.	
Pvt Dunn, W. G.	Pvt Ruiztirado, A. F.	
PFC Durkin, L. M.	Pvt Sanchez, I. N.	
Pvt Eckenrode, A. J.	PFC Sanchezsuarez, D.	
Pvt Felipe, C. K.	PFC Seagrove, S. A.	
PFC Franklin, II, R. J.	Pvt Shaddix, M. C.	
Pvt Gallander, F. B.	PFC Shea III, T. R.	
Pvt Gilleland Jr, T. R.	Pvt Skinner, B. C.	
PFC Green, D. C.	PFC Smith, K. L.	
Pvt Hair, L. C.	PFC Somers, W. A.	
Pvt Harbison, A. B.	PFC Steele, J. D.	
Pvt Hartz, J. A.	PFC Stoutrondeau, C. H.	
Pvt Hobson, D. M.	Pvt Sulueta, A. C.	
Pvt Ingramstaten, J. L.	Pvt Vargas, J. D.	
PFC Jow, M. H.	Pvt Wade, B. C.	
Pvt King II, R. K.	PFC Ward, D. D.	

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PLATOON 3066

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt K. S. Welch
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt S. A. Benton
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. A. Schwartz
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt B. J. Kearns



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC J. J. Garcia
 HOMETOWN.....Miami, FL
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt J. Rodriguez

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt M. H. Brown (335)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Ramirez
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC A. R. Ford (581)

Pvt Acevedostrada, I.	PFC Magriplis, I. S.
Pvt Anderson, N. T.	Pvt Maguire, R. J.
Pvt Askew, G. R.	Pvt Manzella, J. C.
PFC Auringer, P. L.	Pvt Mirabal, E. A.
PFC Bober, C. D.	Pvt Mourino, G. P.
PFC Bonito, J.	Pvt Pelykh, O.
PFC Bromley, B. A.	Pvt Porter, E.
Pvt Brown, M. H.	Pvt Pruitt, J. E.
PFC Brown, T. K.	PFC Quilban, T. R.
Pvt Byrne, T. J.	Pvt Romanowski, J. K.
Pvt Calderon, A. Y.	Pvt Roy II, M. J.
Pvt Cancel, D. N.	Pvt Sears, C. T.
Pvt Cham, M. B.	Pvt Simons, Z. T.
Pvt Cinelli, J. O.	Pvt Skinner, D. C.
Pvt Davilacontreras, O.	Pvt Slater, J. R.
PFC Demesier, R. *	Pvt Solowiej, S. A.
Pvt Escalante, B. A.	Pvt Spears, C. S.
Pvt Fackler, D. T.	PFC Steele, K. A.
Pvt Fernandezayala, S.	PFC Steele, K. B.
PFC Ford, A. R. *	Pvt Stevenson, B. E.
PFC Frantz Jr., D. L.	PFC Stoumbos, S. E. *
PFC Garcia, J. J.	PFC Strickland III, D. G.
PFC Garcia, J. A. *	Pvt Tran, G. N.
Pvt Gaston, E. J.	Pvt Valencia, B.
Pvt Gogolin, A. A.	PFC Vazquezbenitez, Y.*
PFC Henry, H.	Pvt Webb, J. M.
Pvt Higgs, M. D.	Pvt Wenzlick, G. R.
Pvt Hogan, M. N.	Pvt Williams, T. D.
Pvt Huertas, J. J.	Pvt Yerardi, J. S.
PFC Johnson, G. E.	Pvt Young, A. D.
Pvt Kitchko, K. J.	
Pvt Lockwood, D. J.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt E. D. Duncan
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt P. R. McKinley
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. R. Richardson
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. D. Combites
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. N. Gatling



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC W. T. Doherty
 HOMETOWN.....Tewksbury, MA.
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Graves

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC S. E. Sprott (335)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Perez
 COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt M. Hernandez (587)

PFC Alvaradoalfaro, R. A.	PFC Ledet, C. S.	Pvt White, N. B.
Pvt Amayacruz, A.	Pvt Lucero, E.	Pvt Williams, L. C.
PFC Aung, L. L.	Pvt Mackey, L. I.	
Pvt Axalcopez, E.	Pvt Martinezaponte, M. A.	
Pvt Bass, M. L.	Pvt Megna, D. M.	
Pvt Bisesi Jr., A.	Pvt Munoz, G.	
Pvt Brewer, E. W.	Pvt Neloms, J. D.	
PFC Bunnell, W. C.	Pvt Obrien, D. P.	
Pvt Cannon, R. J.	PFC Oconnor, C. J.	
Pvt Castroalpizar, C. A.	Pvt Orcutt, T. K.	
PFC Chang, S.	Pvt Ortego, N. J.	
Pvt Corson, C. J.	Pvt Ortizperez, J. L.	
Pvt Daniello, D. S.	Pvt Podolskyy, Y.	
Pvt Defosse, D. L.	Pvt Prenger, G. M.	
PFC Dicastelnuovo, L. D. *	Pvt Quintana, P. M.	
PFC Doherty III, W. T. *	Pvt Quintero Jr., J. H.	
Pvt Embrey, J. O.	Pvt Ralya, C. C.	
Pvt Evans, D. D.	PFC Reynolds, A. T.	
Pvt Fernandezpena, C. J.	Pvt Richards, J. J.	
Pvt Fraser, C. M.	Pvt Rodriguezlimon, J.	
Pvt Frederick, A. B.	Pvt Rogers, E. A.	
PFC Garsik, D. J.	PFC Russell, R. E.	
Pvt Gomezluengas, J. M.	Pvt Salas, E. S.	
PFC Goncalves, K.	Pvt Santosfanini, J. A.	
PFC Gonce, G. W.	Pvt Severino, P. C.	
PFC Graham, B. J.	Pvt Shaar, M. O.	
Pvt Hernandez, M.	Pvt Shammana, N. I.	
Pvt Hillsgrove, E. D.	PFC Spencer Jr., T. E. *	
Pvt Jones, C. T.	PFC Sprott, S. E. *	
Pvt Karafelis, M. L.	PFC Swanson, B. S.	
Pvt Kaufman, T. R.	PFC Vasquezbamaca, D. S.	
PFC Leben, Z. K.	Pvt Vines, C. L.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt J. M. Cerecedes
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt Z. J. Evans
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. A. Fecher
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. J. Arguello
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt C. A. Ohlsson



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC C. E. Villamizar
 HOMETOWN.....Middle Village, NY
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Ramono

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC D. E. Ianniello (335)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Roberts

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC J. T. Smith (595)

Pvt Aguilarorellana, J. A.	Pvt Hernandez, A.	Pvt Watson, T. J.
Pvt Allen, H. T.	Pvt Hoover, W. T.	Pvt Wigfield, A. D.
Pvt Amayasamper, N.A.	Pvt Huescaagapito, J.	
Pvt Ariasmarin, S.	Pvt Ianniello, D. E.	
PFC Arthur, R. L. *	Pvt Kobell, J. G.	
Pvt Barry, G. C.	Pvt Kuhlmann, N. O.	
Pvt Bell, J. V.	PFC Lamb, H. M.	
Pvt Boos, E. W.	PFC Landers, M. W.	
PFC Brown, K. A.	PFC Lang, J. C.	
Pvt Caldwell, E. B.	Pvt Li, J. Y.	
Pvt Canales, A. C.	PFC Lower III, J. R.	
Pvt Casarrubiasgarcia, K.	PFC Machado, M.	
Pvt Castro, C. M.	Pvt Marlik, A. I.	
Pvt Chang, P. B.	Pvt Martinez, D. N.	
PFC Clarke, D. M.	Pvt Meyers, J. W.	
PFC Clevenstine II, R. W. *	PFC Morris, G. N.	
PFC Costa, J. B.	Pvt Niemann, J. P.	
PFC Dannett, R. A.	Pvt Pacheco, N. C.	
Pvt Dawson, Colby N.	Pvt Pasch III, J. E.	
Pvt Delgado, D. W.	Pvt Pazaropoulos, L. A.	
Pvt Dickerson, J. M.	PFC Peters, Z. J. *	
Pvt Dominguez Jr., Jose A.	Pvt Rodriguez, S. R.	
Pvt Duarte, B. J.	Pvt Santos, E. N.	
Pvt Etukumoh, M. I.	Pvt Schiffer, A. W.	
PFC Faber, T. J.	PFC Sheppard, D. I.	
PFC Field, Z. M.	Pvt Smith, J. T.	
Pvt Freunds Schuh, J. B.	Pvt Tineoloveras, W. A.	
Pvt Garcia, D. J.	Pvt Tirira, G. E.	
Pvt Guaman, Erik G.	Pvt Vazquez, M. J.	
Pvt Guardadochinchilla, O. E.	PFC Villamizar, C. E.	
PFC Guerrero, A.	Pvt Vongkaysone, G. V.	
Pvt Hasman, J. M.	PFC Watkins, D. T. *	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt S. B. Pres
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt T. R. Wiley
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt T. A. Perry
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt G. D. Barker



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC C. T. Sweet
 HOMETOWN.....Maurice, LA
 RECRUITED BY.....GySgt Clark

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt E. H. Hayes (336)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Edds

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT..... Pvt Egerton, Malik Z. (583)

Pvt Adcock III, K. E.	Pvt Linerode, J. M.	Pvt Zhungopaltin, C. P.
Pvt Albor, C. D.	Pvt Locharyquinn, S. E.	Pvt Zornes, A. R.
Pvt Arreguin, G. D.	Pvt Lower, D. J.	
Pvt Bailey, K. M.	Pvt Major, L. A.	
Pvt Bryant, B. J. *	PFC Manns, B. E.	
PFC Burke Jr., J. M.	Pvt Manuel, C. S.	
Pvt Burton, B. T.	Pvt Mcdonald, N. G.	
Pvt Carter, J. M.	Pvt Middlebrooks, L. T.	
Pvt Cogliano, N. R.	Pvt Middleton, G. E. *	
Pvt Cox, C. J.	PFC Montalvo, J. D.	
Pvt Damore, C. J.	PFC Morris, J. D.	
Pvt Dickens Jr., M. D.	Pvt Moss, J. N.	
Pvt Egerton, M. Z.	PFC Murray, J. F.	
Pvt Farnham Jr., S. J.	Pvt Navarrocorrea, J. J.	
Pvt Faulkner, J. R.	Pvt Nicholas, O. S.	
Pvt Franca Jr., V. J.	PFC Owens, B. M.	
Pvt Garcia, A. S.	Pvt Patrizi, H. J.	
Pvt Garciagarcia, A.	Pvt Pierson, S. T.	
Pvt Gonzalez, L. A.	Pvt Rivers, M. A.	
Pvt Grant, S. J. *	Pvt Rodriguezpardo, E. L. *	
Pvt Griggs, A. C.	Pvt Rollins, M. C.	
Pvt Hayes, E. H.	PFC Saldana, J. J.	
Pvt Hilario, A.	Pvt Sanchez, A.	
Pvt Hulett, C. T.	Pvt Silvers, A. W. *	
Pvt Johnson, E. M.	Pvt Sitter, N. J.	
Pvt Klein, E. J.	Pvt Soberanis Jr., R. A.	
Pvt Knipple, J. R.	Pvt Springer, N. H.	
Pvt Knott, S. K.	Pvt Straub, J. D.	
Pvt Lawrence, M. J.	PFC Sweet, C. T.	
Pvt Leone, M. C.	Pvt Turner, D. P.	
Pvt Lewis, W. D.	Pvt Verdesoto, B. M.	
PFC Lian, J. L.	Pvt Yates, Jeffrey B.	

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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

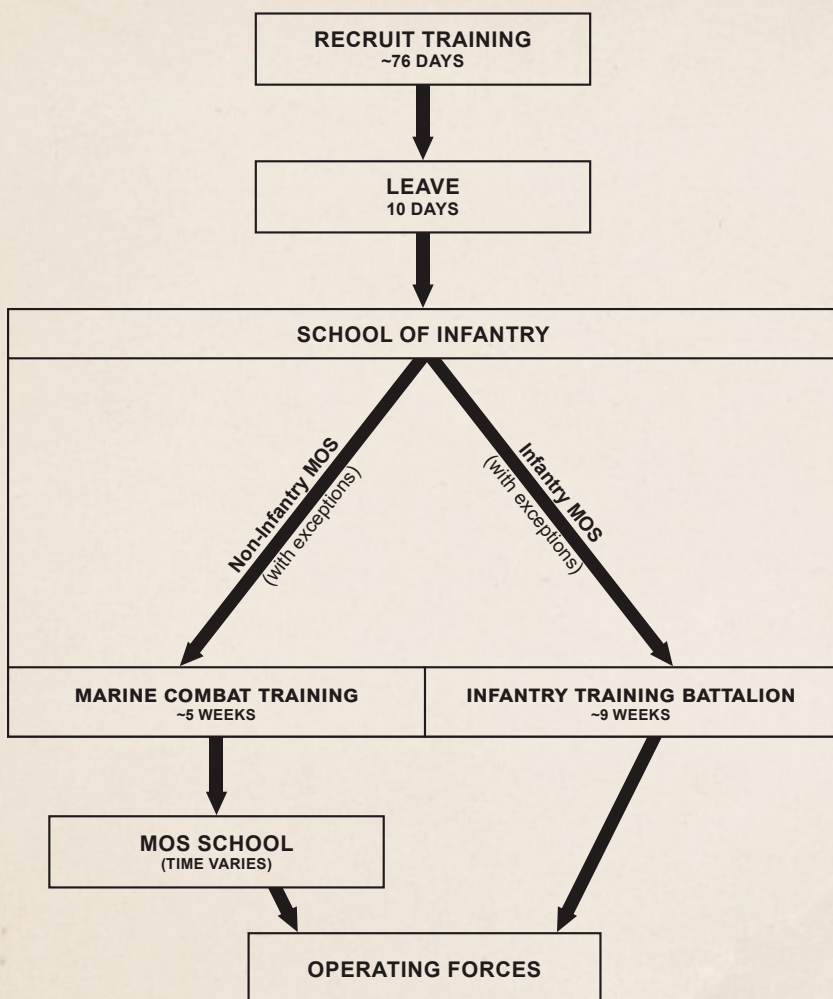
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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