



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

16 December 2022

Recruit Training Regiment

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

3rd Recruit Training Battalion

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

Commander of Troops

First Sergeant J. D. Godboldte

Parade Adjutant

Gunnery Sergeant H. M. Kim

Company “M”, 3rd Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Captain C. J. Peterson
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....First Sergeant J. D. Godboldte
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain D. E. Alvarez
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain J. D. Sporleder
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant C. Caudle
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant C. S. Williams

Drill Master

Gunnery Sergeant T. M. Moore

Chaplain

Lieutenant B. T. Johnson

Color Guard

Sergeant A. Leon Sergeant L. P. McDaniel
Sergeant G. Agustin Sergeant J. C. Nieves

PLATOON 3088

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt E. J. Daise
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. D Yarbrough
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S.T Banuski
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. L. Reed



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC R. J. Schmidt
 HOMETOWN.....Clearwater, FL
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt T. M. Myers

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC J. L. Kendrick (324)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Edd
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC R. J. Schmidt (588)

PFC Anderson, C. B.	PFC Juarezlopez, J. T.	PFC Vinson, J. D.
Pvt Ashley, C. R.	PFC Kendrick, J. L.	PFC Volpi, L. C. *
Pvt Bennett, J. T.	Pvt Lafrenaye, P. E.	Pvt Ward, L. A.
PFC Borzea, G. B.	Pvt Lawson, A. S.	Pvt Wyckoff, L. C.
Pvt Boye, M.	Pvt Lentz, J. C.	
Pvt Branch, L. J.	Pvt Lilly, D. O.	
Pvt Brooks, C. A.	Pvt Martinezlopez, J. E.	
Pvt Brown Jr., C. A.	Pvt Mixon II, S. L.	
PFC Cabellomodelo, A.	PFC Moore, J. D.	
PFC Caddauan, G. E.	Pvt Muiruri, S. K.	
Pvt Carranza, C. J.	PFC Myers, D.J. *	
Pvt Cassidy, S. T.	Pvt Newman, J. R.	
PFC Castillo, A. T. *	Pvt Oliver, X. T.	
Pvt Coffman, R. T.	Pvt Pearson, N. H.	
Pvt Collins, N. A.	Pvt Perezaguilar, R. E.	
PFC Crews, R. D. *	Pvt Perezvelez, J. M.	
Pvt Cruzcortes, J.	PFC Perry V, L. C.	
Pvt Davis, D. W.	Pvt Phillips, D. J.	
Pvt Deal, B. W.	Pvt Preciado, A.	
Pvt Diaz, R.	Pvt Proctorjackson, T. X.	
Pvt Dimalanta, L. F.	Pvt Propst, A. M.	
Pvt Eller, J. M.	Pvt Reta, M. S.	
Pvt Escalantelugo, A. E.	Pvt Richmond, J. S.	
Pvt Flores, B. R.	Pvt Sanders, T. D.	
Pvt Franklin, S. A.	PFC Schmidt, R. J.	
PFC Fritch, M. J.	PFC Sells, D. C.	
Pvt Fussell, D. S.	Pvt Shepherd, C. I.	
Pvt Gibson, E. B.	Pvt Sheridan, D. B.	
Pvt Gomez, E.	Pvt Stabile, A. N.	
Pvt Guerrero, A. D.	Pvt Susena, C.	
PFC Hinojosa, F. M. *	Pvt Troncozo, H.	
PFC Johnson Jr., D. M.	Pvt Vasquezsamudio, S.	

*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

PLATOON 3089

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. R. Quiceno
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt A. J. Booker
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt S. T. Rudock
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt B. L. Swift



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC S. V. Dayton
 HOMETOWN.....Spanish Fort, AL
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt M. E. Rybar

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt J. D. Godwin (327)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Perez

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt A. R. McCoy (576)

PFC Abraham, M. A.	Pvt Karakolis, L. G.	PFC Zoebelein, J. O.
Pvt Araujogarcia, R. G.	Pvt Keeling, P. J.	
Pvt Avita, A.	Pvt Kuzan, K. J.	
Pvt Ball, J. L.	Pvt Laguerre, N. B.	
Pvt Beaty, A. S.	Pvt Laurenvil, D.	
PFC Berak, S. M.	Pvt Lopez, D. O.	
PFC Biron, Q. S.*	Pvt Lovett, C. E.	
PFC Brown Jr., D. L.	PFC Luongo, D. N.	
PFC Canaley, E. T.	PFC Massie, D. M.	
Pvt Cartagena, O. J.	Pvt McCoy, A. R.	
Pvt Castrosolano, O. J.	Pvt Mills Jr., K. R.	
Pvt Chaparro, E.	Pvt Mills, C. S.	
Pvt Cody, T. A.	PFC Munoz, D. Y.	
Pvt Copeland, K. P.	Pvt Nester, J. E.	
PFC Corderomustafa, J.*	Pvt Pereagaviria, L. M.	
Pvt Cross, J. A.	Pvt Perez, X.	
PFC Culberston, H. G.	PFC Ragland, T. M.	
Pvt Dayton, S. V.*	PFC Rodriguez, O.	
Pvt Deathrage, D. K.	PFC Russell, S. M.	
Pvt Demizer, M. H.	Pvt Serrudo, J. A.	
PFC Duncan, S. C.	Pvt Slate, J. S.	
PFC Gallagher, S. M.	PFC Steiner, R. J.	
Pvt Godwin III, J. D.	PFC Taylor Jr., D. N.	
PFC Grant, N. B.*	PFC Tinoco, S.	
PFC Greenfields, M. A.	PFC Udi, G. E.	
Pvt Griffin, C. R.	Pvt Urbietta, A. A.	
Pvt Henderson, D. B.	Pvt Urdaneta, A. A.	
PFC Hernandez, J.	PFC Vineyard, D. J.	
Pvt Hoitink, B. W.	Pvt Webster, L. D.	
Pvt Holder, M. B.	Pvt Wheeler, A. M.	
Pvt Ison, C. D.	Pvt Williamson, A. M.	
PFC Jimenezmendez, M.	PFC Wright, B. J.*	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt G. A. Gonzalez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt T. J. Smith
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. A. Valdes
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt E. A. Benitezortega



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC A. M. Houston
 HOMETOWN.....Spring Hill, FL
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt A. M. Harbert

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt J. R. Carcione (331)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Schneider
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt D. G. Hice (587)

Pvt Adams, C. J.	PFC McDhee, D. L.*
Pvt Alonsoortiz, Y.	Pvt Mejia, J. E.
PFC Anderson, T. M.	PFC Monahan, S. M.
Pvt Arvaiza, J.	Pvt Morrissey, P.H.
Pvt Carcione, J. R.	PFC Nicolas, J.
Pvt Chevalierdelacruz, H. A.	PFC Orick, L. I.
Pvt Childs Jr., A. R.	Pvt Orr, S. J.
PFC Clark, K. A.	Pvt Ortizsantiago, Y.
Pvt Cook, J. A.	Pvt Pangburn, C. Z.
Pvt Coradosaravia, A. D.	PFC Pasqualicchio, P. V.
Pvt Cornelio, A. K.	Pvt Phillips, C. A.
Pvt Cunningham, B. P.	Pvt Phillips, G. E.
Pvt Davison, B. L.	Pvt Price Jr., P. D.
PFC Deering, J. B.	PFC Pulling, J. M.
Pvt Dunn, J. C.	PFC Ramos Jr., L. O.
Pvt Fowler, C. D.	Pvt Reed, C. W.
Pvt Freyler, B. V.	PFC Reisinger Jr., T. J.
PFC Garcia, J.	Pvt Rivera, I.
PFC Grafalsmartinez, J. M.*	Pvt Roblesgonzalez, L. O.
Pvt Harmison, N. A.	Pvt Ruiz, X. P.
Pvt Hayes, T. Q.	Pvt Sanchez, B.
Pvt Heidel, L. D.	Pvt Solis, J. I.
Pvt Hice, D. G.	Pvt Sotonieves, A.
Pvt Hicks, E. H.	Pvt Taverasfural, A.
PFC Houston, A. M.*	Pvt Taylor, J.T.
Pvt Johnson, A. M.	Pvt Teets, T. S.
PFC Johnson, J. N.*	Pvt Torpey Jr., R. P.
Pvt Jordan, J. J.	Pvt Turner, D. J.
Pvt Lewis, M. L.	Pvt Valentin, B.
Pvt Litz, Z. J.	Pvt Vetter, J. W.
Pvt Logmann, I. A.	Pvt Watson, T. C.
Pvt McDermott, H. L.	Pvt Zepeda, M.A.

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. M. Knupp
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt E. R. Singletary
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt T. J. Hepp



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC V. T. Hoskins
 HOMETOWN.....Xenia, OH
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt J. A. Wayne

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt E. C. Wetmore (334)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Bleau

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt A. Urena (595)

Pvt Allen, W. T.	Pvt Hickson, M. J.	Pvt Wetmore, E. C.
Pvt Alvarez, J. E.	PFC Hoskins, V. T.*	Pvt White Jr., M. J.
Pvt Barfield, E. E.	Pvt Jernigan, A. L.	
Pvt Barillas, A. J.	Pvt Klismet, C. M.	
Pvt Bartee, M. T.	PFC Lavare, A. J.*	
Pvt Bass, S. Q.	Pvt Lehto, E. M.	
Pvt Bennett, J. P.	Pvt Liaros, A. R.	
Pvt Besteda Jr., A. D.	Pvt Long, G. E.	
Pvt Blevins, H. W.	Pvt Lovera, F. J.	
PFC Boyd, A.	Pvt Maillaro, J. W.	
Pvt Britton, C. E.	Pvt Manzo, E. A.	
Pvt Brown, C. C.	Pvt Marrero, M. D.	
Pvt Buterbaugh, N. D.	Pvt McLaughlin, P. C.	
Pvt Carita, J. R.	Pvt Monroygaray, A. D.	
Pvt Cervantes, M. A.	PFC Moore, Z. J.	
Pvt Chen, K.	Pvt Morgado, E. F.	
Pvt Coe, M. R.	Pvt Mullis, C. M.	
PFC Cokerkallon, M.*	Pvt Odonnell, K. B.	
PFC Contreras, A. A.	PFC Perezvazquez, L. O.	
Pvt Coyne, C. D.	PFC Pettengill, J. M.*	
Pvt Cress, E. I.	Pvt Pruden, M. J.	
PFC Cruz, M. D.*	Pvt Riverareboseno, J.	
Pvt Cruz, S. A.	Pvt Santana, J. E.	
Pvt Danville, A. S.	Pvt Saucier, M. W.	
Pvt Dundon, P. F.	Pvt Schultz, B. F.	
Pvt Escobarjimenez, R. A.	Pvt Starks, T. N.	
PFC Follett, J. S.	Pvt Tenzinjorden, F.	
Pvt Garcia, D. I.	Pvt Touchette, Y. M.	
PFC Gonzalez II, L. A.*	Pvt Urena, A. J.	
Pvt Gonzalez, C. A.	Pvt Villalonacaba, M.	
PFC Grunow, J. K.	Pvt Villamaria, R. M.	
Pvt Hardin, J. L.	PFC Watson, A. J.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	GySgt A. Mondragon
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	GySgt A. Muniz Jr.
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt E. Santibanez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt J. D. La Mere



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC D. D. Loggins
HOMETOWN.....	New Orleans, LA
RECRUITED BY.....	Sgt A. Rivera

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC J. Rodriguez (337)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Neuville
PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	Pvt R. J. Shinebarger, (590)

Pvt Apeaagyemang, K.	Pvt Knobel, N.	Pvt Thorpe, S. N.
Pvt Arguetamejia, J. A.	PFC Lamarche IV, E. F.	
Pvt Ayala, M. D.	PFC Lemmonsriggs, K. I.*	
Pvt Batchelor, J.A.	PFC Lin, N.	
Pvt Benavente, A. A.	PFC Loggins, D. D.*	
Pvt Burke, N. J.	Pvt Maciassaucedo, M.	
Pvt Burns, A. J.	PFC Martinezperez, D. R.	
Pvt Campbell III, T.	Pvt McClure, T. O.	
Pvt Colina III, R. M.	Pvt McGill, C. J.	
PFC Colon, D. J.	PFC McHale, C. T.	
PFC Crider, A. D.	PFC Mendez, C. B.	
Pvt Croteau, S. M.	Pvt Miller, D. C.	
Pvt Cullen, R. E.	Pvt Morgan, B. M.	
Pvt Day, J. R.	Pvt Morocho, R. J.	
PFC Delwarte, J. R.	Pvt Morochozhicay, J. O.	
PFC Drenzo, M. D.	PFC Mulherin Jr, M. M.	
Pvt Duong, F. C.	PFC Niemi, T. C.	
PFC Dupont, R.	Pvt Nietovazquez Jr., J.	
Pvt Entrekin, M. D.	PFC Ostroha, G. J.	
PFC Fall, S. B.	Pvt Perez, D. M.	
Pvt Fisher, B. A.	Pvt Pizarro, G.	
Pvt Gallagher, I. W.	Pvt Ramirezflores, M. A.	
Pvt Germandiaz, F. L.	Pvt Raymond, T. B.	
Pvt Henao, D. O.	PFC Rodriguez, J. *	
Pvt Hernandez, L. F.	Pvt Roth, T. M.	
PFC Huaroccsanchez, A. L.	Pvt Sanders, C. B.	
PFC Huncher, K. A.*	Pvt Shinebarger, R. J.	
PFC Huynh, T. T.	Pvt Shockley, N. J.	
Pvt Jimenez, A. M.	Pvt Stafford, L.S.	
Pvt Johnson Jr., R. S.	Pvt Stauffer, S. B.	
PFC Kegler, J. A.*	PFC Stewart, N. J.	
Pvt Khoury, C. M.	Pvt Thomas Jr., M. L.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt H. A. Brown
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt V. Ybarra
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt E. G. Lanier
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt G. Bocanegra



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC Isma, Alex
 HOMETOWN.....Long Island, NY
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt K. Barrientos

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt L. G. Lackey (337)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt West
 COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC C. F. Zaragozapreciado, (600)

PFC Alvarado, A. D.	Pvt Law, G. S.	PFC Williams, S. J.
Pvt Arredondocastillo, L.	Pvt Leedom, R. J.	PFC Wright, K. R.*
Pvt Bartman, M. T.	Pvt Maignan, M. W.	PFC Zaragozapreciado, C. F.
PFC Bauduy, J. D.	Pvt Maldonadocaballero, A. J.	Pvt Zavala, R. E.
Pvt Berrones, A.	PFC Mangual, N. E.	Pvt Zurawski, E. J.
Pvt Bronson, M. N.	Pvt Mathura, J. S.	
Pvt Cook, C. W.	Pvt McGoldrick, S. A.	
Pvt Daquilema, C.C.	PFC Mejia, D. I.	
PFC Delangelventura, M. J.*	Pvt Mercado, E. A.	
Pvt Escobar, F. S.	Pvbt Mort, N. J.	
PFC Espinalespinal, D. D.	PFC Muller, J. A.	
Pvt Flores, D. A.	Pvt Nepomucenomanzano, K. S.	
PFC Floresruiz, J. D.	Pvt North, A. D.	
PFC Frank, H. T.*	Pvt Ortiz, A. M.	
Pvt Friebolin, M. R.	Pvt Perez Jr., R. M.	
PFC Gibbs III, D. W.	Pvt Potokar, N.	
Pvt Gilbert IV, J. P.	Pvt Powell, N. A.	
Pvt Godleywalden, D. Q.	Pvt Quinonezcontreras, K. M.	
Pvt Green, C. A.	Pvt Rickner, Z. T.	
Pvt Guazhimamorocho, A.P.	Pvt Rilea, H. W.	
Pvt Guevara, C. J.	Pvt Robertson, M. C.	
PFC Hampton, T. C.	Pvt Rosasgalicia, J. A.	
Pvt Hart, S. C.	PFC Rousseau, R. R.	
Pvt Heurteloulouis, D. F.	Pvt Sanchezcollado, M. A.	
Pvt Holcomb, S. W.	PFC Schreiber, A. M.	
Pvt Hosier, E. J.	Pvt Scott, D. M.	
Pvt Igneri, R. H.	Pvt Slomski, B. N.	
PFC Isma, A.	Pvt Sosaalgarra, A. J.	
Pvt Jordan Jr., J. G.	Pvt Tanner, T. E.	
Pvt Joyatorralba, E. O.	Pvt Wared, R. Y.	
PFC Koller, J. B.*	PFC Westmoreland, C. J.*	
Pvt Lackey, L. G.	Pvt Whitman, A. M.	

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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

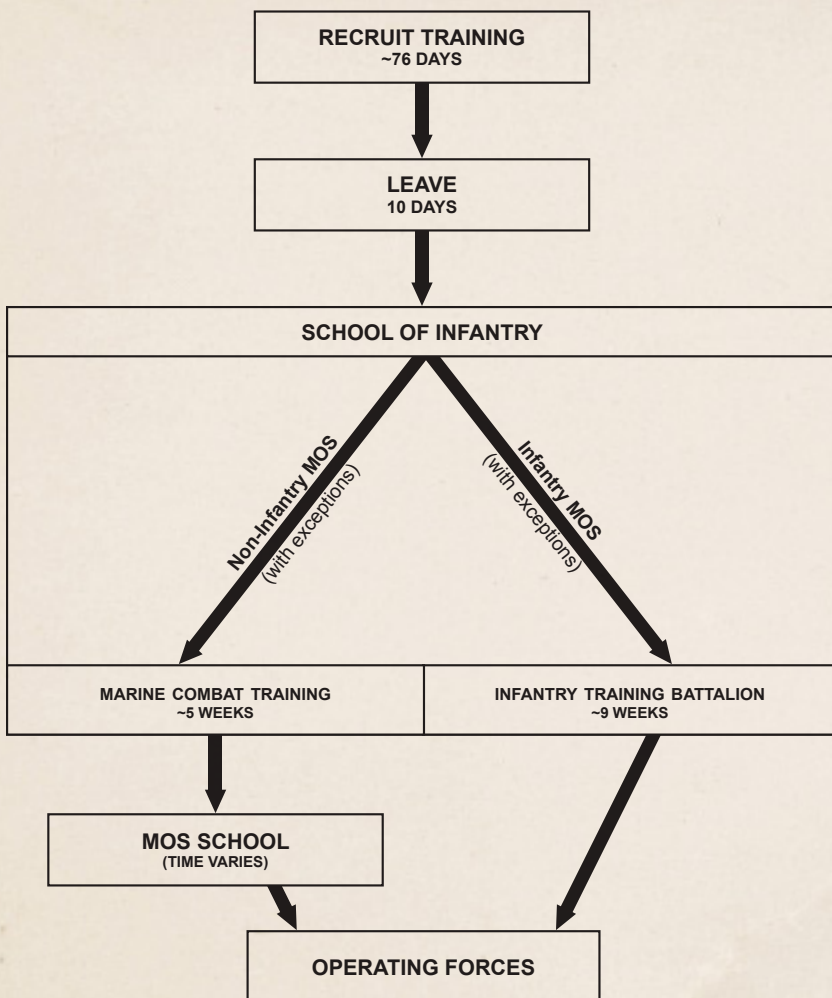
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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