



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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INVOCATION*

SOUND ATTENTION

ADJUTANT'S CALL

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COMMANDING OFFICER REMARKS

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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

3 February 2023

Recruit Training Regiment

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

Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Lieutenant Colonel C. J. Kearney
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major J. A. Toles

Commander of Troops
Captain T. M. Medlen

Parade Adjutant
Captain Dominique R. Williams

Company “F”, 2nd Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Captain T. M. Medlen
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....First Sergeant B. R. Dear
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER.....First Lieutenant G. B. Taylor
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER.....First Lieutenant S. Z. Sheikh
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant J. J. Marquez
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant C. D. Waycaster

Drill Master
Staff Sergeant L. M. Hinton
Staff Sergeant S. A. Jones

Chaplain
Lieutenant A. J. McMillan

Color Guard
Sergeant A. M. Leon Sergeant G. A. Agustin
Sergeant S. T. Banuski Sergeant S. A. Hamilton

PLATOON 2008

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt L. J. CartagenaColon
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt M. MaldonadoCastro
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt I. L. Vannavong



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC D. T. Leonard
 HOMETOWN.....Mochville, NC
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Ngonou

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC M. A. Ford (334)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Morrison
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC L. J. Mulligan (569)

PFC Arias, L. R.	PFC Mulligan, L. J.
PFC Bridges, D. T.	Pvt Neely, C. D.
Pvt Burden, I. J.	Pvt Olivero II, B.
PFC Byron, C. R.*	Pvt Powell, S. L.
PFC Cardonacarrillo, E. R.	PFC Rodriguez, A. A.
Pvt Chisholm, J. M.	Pvt Rodriguezcastaneda, B. A.
Pvt Cruzjimenez, W. Y.	Pvt Romero, L. F.
PFC D'Antignac, T. K.*	Pvt Sumner, J. B.
Pvt Dearman, B. M.	Pvt Taylor, T. N.
PFC Dorsey, D. A.	Pvt Torresconcepcion, J. Y.
Pvt Eads, J. R.	LCpl Waites, D. J.
PFC Finlay, A. G.	Pvt Williams, T. L.
Pvt Fleming, J. P.	PFC Yu, E.*
PFC Ford, M. A.	
Pvt Gabriel, C. U.	
Pvt GomezVodofsky, C. F.	
Pvt Greene, Anthony L.	
Pvt GutierrezMoreno, S.	
PFC Guzman-Escobar, C.	
Pvt Harris, J. N.	
PFC Howell, E. D.	
Pvt James, C. M.	
Pvt Jeanfrancois, J. D.	
Pvt Johnson, B. N.	
Pvt Kubilus, D. J.	
PFC Larussa, G. M.	
PFC Leonard, D. T.*	
Pvt Marteguzman, A. A.	
Pvt Mathurin, I. N.	
PFC McConnell, C. N.	
Pvt McMillan, A. J.	
Pvt Moss, B. I.	

*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

PLATOON 2009

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt S. R. Deer
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. J. Clemente
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. A. Kahl



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC J. R. Bramt
 HOMETOWN.....Boca Raton, FL
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Foreman

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC J. R. Brant (341)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Swanson
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt E. S. Stvil (553)

Pvt Aldrich, C. J.	Pvt OlivoRodriguez, R. E.
Pvt Arrington, S. M.	Pvt OrtizAgustin, F.
Pvt Battle, J. A.	PFC Pattelena, R. B.*
Pvt Bonano, G.	Pvt Penacarvajal, L. O.
Pvt Boyle Jr., W. R.	Pvt Reid, Z. D.
PFC Bozman, C. B.	Pvt Richards, G. J.
PFC Brant, J. R.	Pvt Ross, T. J.
Pvt Cartee, M. A.	PFC Torres Jr., G. W.
PFC Castrillon, K.	Pvt Tran, D. V.
Pvt Chen, Y.	Pvt DeLaTrinidad, J. M.
Pvt Copson, D. J.	Pvt Stvil, E. S.
Pvt Dees, N. G.	PFC White, C. C.*
PFC DillSimmons, D. C.*	Pvt Wright, C. M.
Pvt Doffour, O. G.	
Pvt Dunlap, W. A.	
PFC Early, C. D.	
Pvt Etheridge, J. R.	
Pvt Frankenhauser III, P. T.	
Pvt Garcia, E. D.	
Pvt Gaw, E. Y.	
Pvt Gray, D. M.	
PFC Gross, I. D.	
PFC Harper, T. E.	
Pvt Herron, T. C.	
Pvt Jones, D. B.	
Pvt Lewis, T. H.	
Pvt Maher, S. A.	
Pvt McCarthy, C. T.	
PFC McCormick Jr., B. J.	
Pvt Mendieta, G.	
PFC Moore II, B. J.	
Pvt Moore, D. E.	

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PLATOON 2010

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt B. H. Rosado
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt T. K. Youngblood
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt W. P. Beavers III



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC Y. Garcia
 HOMETOWN.....Miami, FL
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Rodriguez

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt A. R. Rosario (342)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Agosto
 COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt S. J. Smith (587)

PFC Adames, C. W.*	Pvt Preece, M. P.
Pvt Andrade, R. J.	Pvt Rojas, M.
Pvt Angel, R. D.	PFC Ramos, T.
PFC Arias, R. N.	Pvt Rosado, J. N.
PFC Ariza, H.	Pvt Ruhimbana, F.
Pvt Benitez, C.	Pvt SanchezOrtiz, R. J.
Pvt Blinn, J. C.	PFC Smith, D. J.*
Pvt Boggs, E.h Z.	Pvt Smith, S. J.
Pvt Carbaugh, W. A.	Pvt Smith Jr., D. M.
Pvt ChavezSanchez, W. R.	Pvt Sosa, K. D.
Pvt Cook, B. M.	PFC Threlkeld, A. I.*
PFC Crowley, L. P.	Pvt Torres, B. X.
PFC Dolan, B. D.	PFC Vazquez, J. A.
Pvt Duarte, D.	Pvt Velazquez, L. F.
Pvt Farley, T. P.	Pvt Wischman, T. M.
Pvt Freed, N. D.	
Pvt Gallant, T. S.	
PFC Garcia, Y.	
Pvt Gonzalez-Acevedo, L. F.	
Pvt Hayes, G. M.	
PFC Herb, M. G.	
Pvt Ibayan, M.I M.	
Pvt Jarrell, G. R.	
Pvt Johnson II, J. J.	
Pvt Lappay, M. E.	
Pvt Lockett, H. C.	
Pvt Marin, J. E.	
Pvt Mix, B. A.	
Pvt Palomo, F. A.	
Pvt Parker, C. W.	
Pvt Perez G., Lewis	
Pvt Perry, A. K.	

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PLATOON 2012

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt J. G. Salvato
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt T. S. Poulin
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt J. D. Lovo
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt A. C. Barnes



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC J. R. Rabanal
HOMETOWN.....	Prospect Park, NJ
RECRUITED BY.....	Sgt Santaduque

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	Pvt F. A. Pesina Garcia (336)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Bleau
PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFC N. W. Patrick (562)

Pvt Arcangelrodriguez, A. R.	PFC Parrish, W. C.
Pvt Arellanollanos, C.	PFC Patrick, N. W.*
Pvt Ascue, G. G.	Pvt Penafiel, J. A.
Pvt Barragan, S. E.	Pvt Perez, K. L.
PFC Bermudez, J. J.	Pvt PesinaGarcia, F. A.
Pvt Castro, B.	Pvt Quilacio, S. J.
PFC Cherenfant, K. A.	PFC Rabanal, J. R.
Pvt ClaraMoreno, B.	PFC Rivera, M. S.
PFC Collado, J. M.*	PFC Robinson, C. C.
Pvt Cox, D. A.	Pvt Robosky, S. E.
PFC Cusson, Z. J.	Pvt Rodriguez, J. S.
Pvt FloresGarcia, M.	PFC Schwartz, J. L.*
Pvt Frey, T. A.	Pvt Sollecito, F. J.
Pvt Fuentes, E.	Pvt Soto, L.
Pvt Guevara, D. L.	Pvt Stubel, B. J.
PFC Guzman, J. L.	Pvt Trinidad, N. L.
PFC Heslop, K. A.	Pvt Vasquez, J. C.
Pvt Hunt, E. M.	
Pvt Inman, N. T.	
Pvt Jarvis Jr., J. D.	
PFC Kim, H.	
Pvt Li, J.	
Pvt Mantilla, G. D.	
Pvt Marrow, Z. A.	
PFC Menendez, A. A.	
PFC Miller, D. C.	
PFC Molina, B. E.	
Pvt Nixon, A. T.	
PFC Noyola, M. Y.	
PFC Olsen, D. J.	
PFC Oquendo, G. A.	
Pvt Paris, R. L.	

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PLATOON 2013

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt T. A. Hilgendorf
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. A. Higdon
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt R. Set
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. C. Chestnut II



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC C. N. NavarroLinares
 HOMETOWN.....Miami, FL
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Acosta

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt C. R. Tolliver (336)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Black
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC S. G. McKibben (586)

Pvt Arciniegaslobo, J. S.	Pvt Naquin, L. A.
Pvt Armstrong, E. O.	PFC NavarroLinares, C. N.
Pvt Bah, M. M.	Pvt Otano, D. M.
Pvt Barnes, O. M.	Pvt Overman, D. T.
Pvt Basurto, A.	PFC Rau, N. M.
Pvt Bech, G. E.	Pvt Segres Jr., J. Z.
Pvt Bright, L. S.	Pvt Smith Jr., J. A.
Pvt Charles, J. A.	PFC Tilliard, M. B.
Pvt Clark, D. T.	Pvt Tolliver, C. R.
Pvt Collins, J. B.	PFC Villagomez, J.*
PFC Collins, R. D.	Pvt Walker, G. E.
Pvt Deems, J. A.	Pvt Xicohtencatl, B. A.
Pvt Elam Jr., T. N.	PFC Zhanaytorres, K. H.*
Pvt Elvariste, B. R.	
PFC Federici, M. T.	
Pvt Flores, K. A.	
PFC Gallardo, J. P.	
Pvt Harrison, C. G.	
PFC Healy, R. A.	
Pvt Hoffecker Jr., A. B.	
Pvt Jackson, M. A.	
Pvt Jaimes, E. G.	
PFC Jennings, J. P.*	
Pvt Kirk, J. J.	
Pvt Lester, C. J.	
PFC Maiorano, E. M.	
Pvt Maldonado, D.	
Pvt Martin, R. A.	
PFC McIntosh, I. R.	
PFC McKibben, S. G.*	
Pvt Melrose, A. M.	
Pvt Muniz, A. A.	

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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

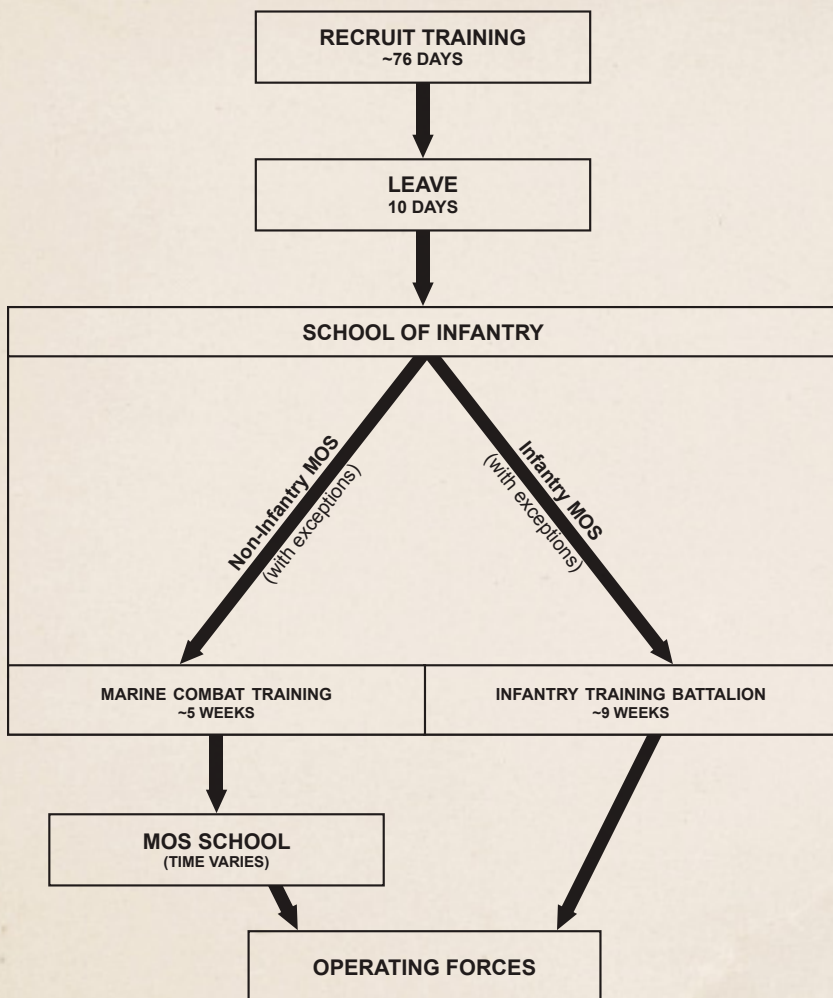
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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