



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

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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

24 February 2023

Recruit Training Regiment

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

4th Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Lieutenant Colonel A. R. Dones
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major J. D. Cuadro

Commander of Troops

Captain A. M. McGregor

Parade Adjutant

Captain J. A. Machesky

Company “P”, 4th Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Captain A. M. McGregor
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....First Sergeant R. L. Santos
COMPANY EXECUTIVE OFFICER.....Captain J. A. Machesky
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain G. F. Tankersley
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain K. E. Krzemien
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant K. W. Jackson
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant L. E. Munoz

Drill Master

Staff Sergeant L. M. Hinton
Staff Sergeant D. L. Sanchezlaucer

Chaplain

Lieutenant I. A. Clark

Color Guard

Sergeant A. M. Leon Sergeant G. A. Agustin
Sergeant S. T. Banski Sergeant J. C. Nieves

PLATOON 4000

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt A. I. Temese
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. Rodriguez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt K. Tran
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. Vazquez-Iglecias



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC B. F. Taylor
 HOMETOWN.....Goosecreek, SC
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Y. Guajardo

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC E. K. Davila (333)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Edds
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC J. Barrera (564)

Pvt Aleksandrjameson, D.	PFC Moraleslora, S. M.
Pvt Alexander Jr., D. W.	Pvt Moran, B. J.
PFC Allen, A. W.	Pvt Morlock, E. M.
Pvt Allen, R. M.	PFC Morris, J. L.
Pvt Barrera, J. D.	Pvt Mueller, L. J.
PFC Barrios, C. M.	Pvt Nelson, J. D.
Pvt Bourgeois Jr., M. G.	Pvt Palm, D. A.
Pvt Bryant, L. M.	PFC Perez, A. R.*
Pvt Calixte, D.	Pvt Pittman, T. M.
PFC Castanaza, M. A.	Pvt Ramsey, C. A.
Pvt Collins, J. D.	Pvt Redditt, J. T.
PFC Cornett, B. C.	Pvt Rogers, T. G.
PFC Cowan, B. D.	Pvt Saltogomez, J. E.
Pvt Dabney, A. U.	Pvt Shrout, C. L.
Pvt Davila, E. K.	Pvt Sylvester, D. E.
Pvt Escalonafernandez, D.	PFC Taylor, B. F.
Pvt Fant, T. L.	Pvt Torresmedina, R. G.
PFC Franklin, D. G.	Pvt Trinidad, D. L. Jr
Pvt Gilliard, J. L.	Pvt Walters, K. J.
Pvt Gore, J. P.	
Pvt Granados, C. J.	
Pvt Gedremenc, J. R.	
Pvt Hernandez, I. A.	
Pvt Jamison, J. R.	
PFC Johnson, N. W.*	
Pvt Jones, C. T.	
PFC Kinghorn, T. L.*	
Pvt Kress, V. A.	
Pvt Lopezojeda, L.	
Pvt McIntosh, C. J.	
Pvt Meridamartinez, S. A.	
Pvt Montoya, M. J.	

*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

PLATOON 4001

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt G. L. Echevarria
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt G. E. Davis
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. R. Martinez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. F. Shull
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt C. L. Hernandez



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC A. Ibarragomez
 HOMETOWN.....Monroe, NC
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt W. Rakes

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC A. G. Lowther (335)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Guest

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC Z. N. Johnson (592)

Pvt Abreuespino, C.
 Pvt Ailepjohnson, A. K.
 Pvt Alvarado, J. R.
 PFC Aquino, L. A.
 PFC Arcoscarranza, D. L.
 Pvt Ayalajasso, A. S.
 PFC Aytes, T. E.
 PFC Bradshaw, J. A.
 Pvt Brown, C. D.
 PFC Calellopez, Y. A.
 Pvt Cardosocarvalho, D. M.
 Pvt Christmann, J. R.
 Pvt Coronado, B. I.
 Pvt Cortesmagana, G.
 PFC Deluca, A. R.
 PFC Duran, C.
 PFC Edwards, S. K.
 Pvt Escobarrivas, K. H.
 Pvt Gaonavazquez, B. A.
 PFC Garciacarbajal, K. M.
 Pvt Garciovaca, Z.
 Pvt Gayle, K. M.
 Pvt Gonzalez, J. K.
 Pvt Gonzalez, S.
 Pvt Gonzalezmolina S. O.
 Pvt Hendriz, K. M.
 Pvt Hernandez, H. J.
 Pvt Huang, Tingting
 PFC Huff, D. H.
 PFC Ibarragomez, A. *
 Pvt Johnson, Z. N.
 PFC Kilpatrick, A. L.

PFC Klein, S. L.
 Pvt Lorenzomartinez, M.
 PFC Lowther, A. G.
 Pvt Mallari, T. O.
 Pvt Martinez, G.
 PFC Martinez, M. E. *
 PFC McGee, I. E. *
 Pvt Medina, B. I.
 PFC Moore, A. P.
 Pvt Moulthrop, E. P.
 Pvt Nguyen, N. P.
 PFC Nolan, J. S.
 PFC Osorio, M. S.
 Pvt Palmasanvicente, R.
 PFC Palmer, A. L.
 Pvt Parker, D. L.
 Pvt Regalado, E. G.
 Pvt Riveratirado, T. M.
 PFC Roberts, E. E.
 PFC Rodriguezortiz, C.
 PFC Rosariovazquez, S.
 Pvt Sanchez, A. T.
 Pvt Santos, M. G.
 PFC Simpson, V. B. *
 Pvt Smith, M. L.
 Pvt Stewart, M. J.
 Pvt Sumbabrito, J. E.
 PFC Sutton, M. D.
 Pvt Tiwari, D.
 PFC Toledo, A. K.
 Pvt Townsend, A. G.
 Pvt Valentin, K. E.

PFC Vickers, J. E.
 Pvt Villeda, A. Q.
 Pvt Weatherly, J. D.
 Pvt Wiley, K. L.
 Pvt Wilson, E. M.
 Pvt Zaragoza, A. M.
 Pvt Zich, M. L.

PLATOON 4002

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt L. A. GomezEnriquez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. F. Casey Jr.
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt B. M. Nichols



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC G. L. Wright II
 HOMETOWN.....Freedom, NY
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt A. Byrne

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC D. L. Robinson (335)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Schneider
 COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC G. L. Wright II (598)

PFC Aguilar Domingo, M. B.	Pvt Page, B. A.
Pvt Armstrong, N. T.	PFC Patten III, J. E.
Pvt Arwood, T. A.	Pvt Paz, T. L.
Pvt Avoki, B. S.	PFC Peralta, A. W.
Pvt Beasley, J. C.	PFC Robinson, D. L.*
Pvt Billups, C. D.	Pvt Sanger, J. T.
PFC Bolivar Solano, E.	Pvt Schanck, T. G.
Pvt Brooks, C. E.	PFC Schulz, C. A.
Pvt Carrillo, I. A.	Pvt Simons, T. L.
Pvt Chew, J. R.	Pvt Simpson, L. T.
Pvt Colon, J. C.	PFC Smith, S. C.*
Pvt Cooper, E. J.	PFC Soper, B. D.
Pvt Cowgill, T. A.	Pvt Stevens, M. A.
Pvt Decker, C. J.	Pvt Thomas, Z. A.
PFC Friedt, K. D.	PFC Thompson, G. D.
Pvt Gonzalez, E. J.	Pvt Thorne, J. D.
Pvt Gorsuch, T. R.	PFC Torres, T. A.*
PFC Green, K. X.	Pvt Watkins Jr., J. D.
Pvt Harchak, A. D.	Pvt Welton, J. J.
Pvt Honor Jr., S. E.	Pvt Witting, N. A.
Pvt Hood, T. P.	PFC Wood Jr., M. A.
Pvt Jenkins, E. S.	PFC Wright II, G. L.*
Pvt Lafrennie, B. A.	
PFC McCaffrey, M. N.	
Pvt Midgette III, J. E.	
Pvt Moore Jr., G. A.	
Pvt Morris, C. X.	
Pvt Naylor, J. M.	
Pvt Nieves, L. A.	
Pvt Nix, M. T.	
Pvt Noel, T. J.	
Pvt Owens, C. A.	

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PLATOON 4004

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt K. Monterrubio
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. D. Primm
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt G. Rodriguez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt D. A. Canute



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFCE. R. Sones
 HOMETOWN.....Slidell, LA
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Contreras

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt L. T. Morgan, (333)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. Ramirez

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFCC. R. Hopper (564)

Pvt Aliagamartinez, E. J.	Pvt Ortiz, D. A.
PFC Alvarez, A. G.	PFC Palovitz, A. N.
PFC Arreagadeleon, F. H.	Pvt Puentedelavega, M.
Pvt Bisaha, A. J.	Pvt Recendiz, I. A.
PFC Brothers, A. F.	Pvt Reyes Jr., A. A.
Pvt Burnell, W. P.	Pvt Rivas, I. M.
Pvt Carter, A. J.	PFC Robertsharris, J. A.*
PFC Cundiff, T. M.	Pvt Sampson, J. J.
Pvt Embrey, B. L.	PFC Schneider, C. W.
Pvt Fant, J. R.	PFC Shelnut, R. J. *
Pvt Geoffrion, T. P.	PFC Smith, C. A. *
Pvt Gilbert Jr., J. D.	Pvt Smith, Z. P.
Pvt Gonzalez, .L.	PFC Sones, E. R.*
Pvt Griggs, B. M.	Pvt Tenesaca, J. E.
Pvt Haynes, C. A.	Pvt Terry, D. J.
PFC Hayward, W. N.	Pvt Vanvalkenburgh, S. E.
Pvt Hazlerig, H. C.	Pvt Vidal, C. B.
PFC Hillard, A. T.	Pvt Vizza, B. M.
Pvt Hoffmaster Jr, K. M.	PFC Washington, S. A.
Pvt Holiday, J. C.	PFC Zacarias, J. D.
Pvt Holland, C. A.	
PFC Hopper, C. R.*	
Pvt Kem, S. S.	
Pvt Lafortune, C. S.	
Pvt Lopezchavez, J. D.	
Pvt Lusby, C. L.	
Pvt Maurer, C. M.	
Pvt Mercado, D. T.	
Pvt Montesinos, A. M.	
Pvt Morgan, L. T.	
PFC Nguyen, T.	
Pvt Oliva, A. Z.	

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PLATOON 4005

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt B. Vilavanh
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt J. B. McFarlane
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt A. Sajbinsajbin
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt A. D. Tanksley



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC D. Bryant
HOMETOWN.....	New York City, NY
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt B. Velasquez

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC C. M. Weldon (339)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt A. Boudreau

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFC Rodriguez, Edy J. (593)
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Pvt Albanese, N. G.	Pvt Nunez, J.
Pvt Auquisanango, F. K.	Pvt Pacopia, M. B.
PFC Avila Jr., G. A.*	PFC Parillo, M. J.
Pvt Bernardo, N. M.	Pvt Payne, A. C.
PFC Bianchi, M. R.*	Pvt Perezflores, K.
Pvt Bolah, K. D.	Pvt Pope, K. B.
PFC Bryant, D. *	PFC Prince, J. Z.*
PFC Bundy, J. D.	Pvt Reyesvaquero, V. F.
PFC Cantero Jr., S. S.	Pvt Rodriguez, E. J.
PFC Ceneri, C. A.*	Pvt Rodrigueztoro, E.
PFC Chevez, J.	Pvt Romero, J.
Pvt Contreras, K. I.	Pvt Ross, J. T.
Pvt Desai, H. K.	PFC Sanchez, C.
Pvt Dipietro, T. J.	PFC Sun, Z.
Pvt Dumeandujar, N	PFC Swiger, K. J.
Pvt Flori, A. J.	Pvt Valentin, A.
Pvt Gordonmiller, C. A.	PFC Vanfleet, M. L.
PFC Guerra, A. J.	PFC Weldon, C. M.
Pvt Gutierrezmarte, D.	Pvt Zenteno, A.
Pvt Hall, T. S.	Pvt Zhu, Q.
Pvt Hart, L. N.	
PFC Johnson, B. A.	
Pvt Jones, X. M.	
Pvt Kasper, D. W.	
Pvt Kelly, T. C.	
Pvt Lin, D.	
Pvt Majhi, A.	
PFC Maldonado, J. A.*	
Pvt Mejia, C.	
PFC Mokayi, W. O.	
Pvt Mulkey, J. X.	
Pvt Navarrozeferino, P.	

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PLATOON 4006

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt F. R. Cruz
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt R. J. Royer
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt E. M. Robinson
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt D. J. Scherwinski



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC J. E. Lopez
 HOMETOWN.....Loxahatchee, FL
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Cleveland

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC E. Garciareyes (341)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt Cleveland

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt R. A. Cuas (593)

Pvt Baswell, G. L.	PFC Morales, J. J.
Pvt Begley, J. A.	Pvt Myers Jr., C. D.
PFC Bell III, K. A.	Pvt Oneal, L. F.
Pvt Brngart, R. M.	PFC Pietrzykowski, M. B.
Pvt Buchart, B. L.	Pvt Pigna, N.
PFC Burkett, B. J.*	Pvt Plamondon, R. I.
Pvt Case, P. J.	Pvt Potter, Z. L.
Pvt Cherimond, E. J.	PFC Pruiksmas, M. B.
Pvt Connolly, C. T.	Pvt Quinceespinosa, M. A.
Pvt Cover, J. J.	Pvt Ramirez, S. B.
Pvt Cristadoro, K. J.	Pvt Reynolds, B. A.
Pvt Cuas, R. A.	Pvt Rivera, A. M.
Pvt Delegetorres, D. D.	Pvt Roberts, J. P.
Pvt Desadier, P. L.	Pvt Romero, M. J.
Pvt Dickey, C. S.	Pvt Rushlow, L. A.
Pvt Duffett, F. W.	Pvt Salazar, J. P.
Pvt Fien, T. J.	Pvt Serrano, B. J.
PFC Garzes, M. M.	PFC Sims, Antonia I.
Pvt Gloudeman, N. C.	Pvt Stewart, L. D.
Pvt Graham, E. W.	Pvt Tashjian, Z. R.
Pvt Guatemala, J. A.	PFC Vanderoef II, K. M. *
PFC Guevara, A. J.	Pvt Zhunio, K. M.
Pvt Helvy, T. L.	
Pvt Henderson III, P. O.	
PFC Hicks, I. M.*	
Pvt Jackson, D. T.	
PFC Krumm, T. J.	
Pvt Lane Jr., A. D.	
Pvt Lasch, J. W.	
PFC Lopez, J. E.*	
Pvt Marcial, S.	
PFC Miller, D. J.*	

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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

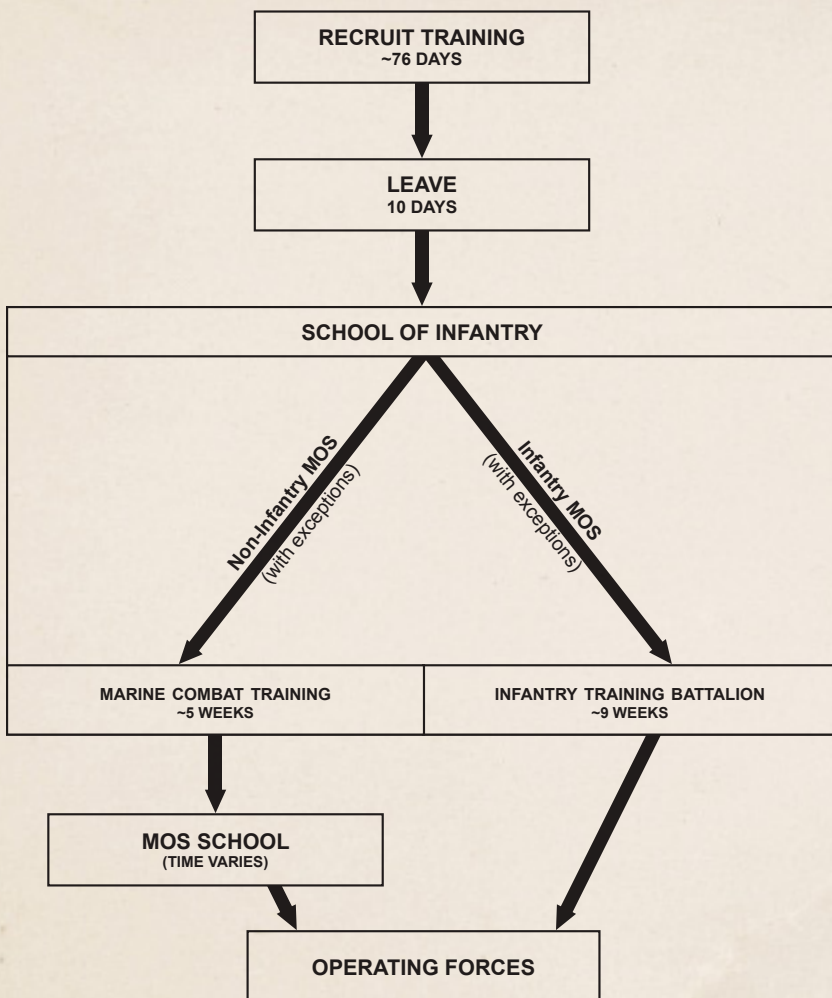
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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



Review photos from today's graduation at the official Parris Island Facebook page.
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