



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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*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

22 November 2024

Recruit Training Regiment

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Colonel C. B. McArthur
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major D. L. Watts

First Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Lieutenant Colonel K. R. Sile
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major A. M. Tyler

Commander of Troops
Captain T. C. Garibay

Parade Adjutant
Captain I. J. Hohlbein

Company “C”, First Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Captain T. C. Garibay
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....First Sergeant P. S. Ramos
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain A. M. Hubbard
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Captain N. J. Busalacchi
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Gunnery Sergeant P. D. McHam
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Gunnery Sergeant B. B. Serquina

Drill Masters
Gunnery Sergeant M. N. Moreno
Staff Sergeant J. A. Kolb

Chaplain
Lieutenant K. V. Heitman

Color Guard
Sergeant Manani Sergeant Barlow
Sergeant Huckstep Sergeant Gonzalez

PLATOON 1072

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt B. C. McGuigan
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt N. Henriquez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt B. M. Ingram
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt P. M. Danko



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....LCpl J. Colbert
 HOMETOWN.....McDonough, GA
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Kaizer

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC A. S. Walker (339)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt O'Bryan
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....LCpl J. Colbert (580)

PVT Allmond, N. Z.	PVT Leafgreen, J. H.	PVT Walden, J. D.
PVT Baez, J.	PVT Lopezcornejo, J. M.	PFC Walker, A. S.
PVT Baumgartner, C. D.	PFC Marsh, A. L.	PFC Walker, J. D.
PVT Beck, L. C.	PFC McCormick, J. M.	PVT Ward, C. T.
PFC BoySd, J. C.	PVT McCracken, G. R.	PVT Wells III, R. V.
PVT Brantley, K. D.	PVT Miller, M. D.	
PVT Brooks, P. A.	PFC Mitchell, B. C.	
PFC Brown, J. E.	PFC Munson, M. J.	
PVT Casey, N. T.	PFC Mwepa, J.	
PFC Castanedachirinos, A. D.	PFC Nelms, S. S.	
PVT Castro, T. N.	PVT Nunez, G. J.	
PFC Cauthen, T. D.	PVT Nuss, C. J.	
LCpl Colbert, J.*	PVT Ortizortiz, J. J.	
PFC Crespo, J.*	PVT Pangalos II, C. M.	
PVT Crim, D. A.	PFC Portillovelasquez, M. F.*	
PVT Davis, R. J.	PVT Randolph, J. J.	
PVT Deloach, R. T.	PFC Reeves, T. R.	
PVT Estradagarcia, A. R.	PFC Robinson, M. A.	
PVT Fetterolf, A. M.	PFC Rouse, W. A.	
PVT Floreshernandez, M. G.	PVT Rutherford, D. J.	
PFC Gallegos, G. R.	PVT Salinashernandez, R.	
PVT Galvanreyes, P.	PFC Sanchez Ramirez, S.	
PVT Garriques, B. M.	PVT Scarpelli II, M. J.	
PFC Gill, J. D.*	PVT Schultz, P. C.	
PVT Hammett, M. H.	PVT Schwartz, A. N.	
PVT Harlin, R. J.	PVT Shofner, J. W.	
PFC Harris, R. B.	PVT Smith, K. B.	
PVT Hernandezleon, A.	PVT Souvannarath, J. A.	
PFC Jarrett, N. R.*	PVT Steele, E. R.	
PVT Jenkins, M. B.	PVT Stoner, D. B.	
PVT Jones, H. D.	PVT Thomas, S.	
PFC Keller, J. P.	PFC Timmons, A. W.*	
PFC Lawrence, A. P.	PVT Torresviana, J.	
PVT Le, B. C.	PVT Villeda, J. S.	

PLATOON 1073

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt M. B. Carter
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt L. J. Nevins
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. R. Diaz
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. B. Spalding



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC C. D. Pruitt Jr.
 HOMETOWN.....Carrollton, GA
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Gates

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT M. M. Martinez (339)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. R. Benjamin

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PVTA. M. Alexander (574)

PVT Alexander, A. M.	PVT Koroma, W. A.	PVT Whitmire, D. J.
PVT Balderas, R.	PFC Lamb, P. J.	PFC Williams, A. E.
PVT Barriosparza, D. A.	PVT Lawson, L. A.	PVT Woodward, S. B.
PVT Battiston, E. J.	PVT Lewis, W. D.	
PVT Benefield, J. J.	PFC Lightsey, B. A.	
PVT Bennett, J. A.	PVT Lockman, J. D.	
PFC Blair, V. J.	PVT Lopezramirez, B. A.	
PVT Boquet, C. H.	PVT Lor, A. F.	
PVT Bowman, J. J.	PVT Maldonado, D. D.	
PFC Bradshaw, T. J.*	PVT Malos, B. H.	
PVT Brown, D. N.	PVT Markham, J. R.	
PVT Caron, A. M.	PVT Martinez, M. M.	
PVT Carpio, D.	PVT Massouh, Z. B.	
PFC Castillo Jr., W.	PFC Maycox, C. S.*	
PVT Chattin, K. J.	PVT McQuillen, W. S.	
PVT Clark, L. A.	PVT Mirandaspears, J. A.	
PVT Crew Jr., M. J.	PVT Moralesperez, J.	
PVT Cross, M. C.	PFC Mosher, A. T.	
PVT Cruz, J. A.	PVT Nord, G. M.	
PVT Daley, C. P.	PVT Osei, B.	
PVT Deloach, C. A.	PFC Pahari, S.*	
PVT Demedeiros Jr., J. L.	PVT Paragine, J. J.	
PVT Domingogodinez, W.	PVT Pautazambrano, A. D.	
PFC Douglas III, M. K.	PVT Pedroza, D.	
PVT Elzey, B. M.	PVT Perry, J. W.	
PVT Fambrough, J. I.	PVT Powell, N. D.	
PVT Fannoh, E. T.	PFC Pruitt Jr., C. D.*	
PVT Fedoce, J. R.	PVT Rubilozano, A. Y.	
PVT Ferro, K. G.	PVT Schindler, N. R.	
PFC Giddens, L. B.*	PVT Searles, A. G.	
PFC Ha, M. T.	PFC Sweeney, X. M.	
PVT Helme, C. B.	PVT Vidrine, T. B.	
PFC Hendricks, J. M.	PVT Wade, A. R.	
PFC Hennessy, D. M.*	PFC Wang, Y.	
PVT Hernandez, E. D.	PVT Whiting Jr., T. J.	

PLATOON 1074

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. W. Hopwood
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. Matt
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. Cruz
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. A. Parrish



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC G. D. Newby
 HOMETOWN.....Riviera Beach, FL
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Townsend

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC N. D. Peon (333)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Ahlstrom

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC G. D. Newby (592)

PFC Acton, L. R.*	PVT Hoskins, L. N.	PFC Tonstad, O. T.
PVT Aguilargodinez, J.	PVT Huayta, K. A.	PVT Valleherrera, A. G.
PVT Alvarezrosas, A.	PVT Kante, M. L.	PVT Walker, J. M.
PFC Anglin, S. A.*	PVT Kateb, A. C.	PVT Watkins, J. R.
PVT Ashbaugh, C. A.	PVT Kolc, P. P.	PVT Willenbrock, N. R.
PVT Bentley, A. H.	PFC Lamaslopez, L. R.	PVT Yopp, J. X.
PVT Bissett Jr., W. H.	PVT Lanfrancojimenez, S.	
PVT Bowling Jr., M. L.	PVT Lopeztapia, M. A.	
PFC Boyles, E. G.	PVT Maldonado, E.	
PVT Bunche Jr., J. D.	PVT Maldonado, K.	
PVT Caceresonce, E.	PFC Mar, J. Y.	
PFC Carpenter, O. H.*	PVT Martinez, C. A.	
PVT Carson Jr., M. A.	PFC McKenzie III, A. E.	
PFC Chen, J. C.	PVT Molinaherrera, H. A.	
PVT Ciron Jr., R.	PVT Montalvo, M. A.	
PFC Ciu, N. H.*	PVT Moodyalcantar, A. B.	
PFC Claudio, G.	PFC Newby, G. D.	
PVT Cranford, K. J.	PFC Peon, N. D.	
PFC Crowley, J. E.	PVT Perez, A. G.	
PVT Daniluks, A.	PVT Powers, C. C.	
PFC Darboe, O.	PFC Rapalogamez, D. A.	
PVT Darisse, H. T.	PFC Reeder, J. L.	
PFC Descalso, A. J.	PFC Rivera, L.	
PFC Encina, C.*	PFC Safa, R.	
PVT Farmer, M. L.	PVT Sanney, M. G.	
PFC Fenerty IV, T. B.	PFC Santavy, A. G.*	
PFC Gialitis II, J. J.	PVT Santiago, I. N.	
PVT Gidley, J. M.	PVT Sida, M. A.	
PVT Grandacedeno, L. M.	PVT Silvano, G. S.	
PVT Gutierrezbalmaceda, M. J.	PVT Smith, J. W.	
PVT Harris, G. A.	PVT Snyder, K. C.	
PVT Hernandez, B. M.	PFC Spaulding, J. W.	
PFC Herreralgalicia, J. A.	PVT Subba, A.	
PFC Horrigan, R. M.	PVT Toccalino, L. A.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt D. V. Garcia
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt N. Prosper
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Cpl I. A. Ochoa
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt X. C. Rice



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFCT P. Harrigan
HOMETOWN.....	Hampden, MA
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt Talley

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC J. V. Dasilvacrispim (337)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt J. Seda

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PVTA. G. Mate (576)
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PVT Akpang, D. O.	PFC Harrigan, T. P.*	PVT Soto, J.
PFC Almazan, E.	PVT Healey, K. W.	PVT Tassinari, G. J.
PVT Arguetamatos, D. J.	PFC Heath, C. J.*	PVT Tyler, J. S.
PVT Baldovino, J. M.	PVT Hoffman Jr., R. G.	PVT Valletejada, D. D.
PVT Belfield, M. C.	PFC Jimenez, A.	PVT Webb, A. L.
PVT Benson, D. J.	PVT Joseph, R. K.	PVT Wood, K. W.
PFC Bittner, Z. K.*	PVT Kelly, B. P.	PFC Xavier, B. L.
PVT Blair, L. J.	PVT Kisamore, J. S.	
PVT Boudreau, T. A.	PVT Knudson, C. J.	
PVT Bristolpena, G. A.	PVT Latourette, A. C.	
PVT Brown, B. L.	PFC Litvak, B. I.*	
PVT Butler, E. A.	PVT Lopezlopez, J. A.	
PVT Cabiness III, B. M.	PFC Manigat, T. W.	
PVT Canedogarcia, R.	PVT Martinezariza, C. G.	
PFC Casasolaramos, C. A.	PFC Martins, M. S.	
PVT Chmielewski, T. R.	PVT Mate, A. G.	
PFC Chucko, A. D.	PVT McCaffrey, B. A.	
PVT Clark, D. J.	PVT Mutz, D. T.	
PVT Cole, W. J.	PVT Miller, I. R.	
PVT Couch, R. J.	PVT Naser, N. W.	
PVT Cox, J. J.	PVT Noble, C. C.	
PVT Custis, C. P.	PVT Oviedoramirez, T.	
PVT Danial, A. G.	PVT Palmowski, J. M.	
PFC Dasilvacrispim, J. V.	PFC Pelham, S. L.	
PVT Engel, S. C.	PVT Perezyperez, A. J.	
PFC Eppsclarke, B. A.*	PVT Peters, W. R.	
PVT Espanet, L. A.	PVT Raythompson, S. X.	
PVT Golden, A. S.	PVT Recore Jr., J. S.	
PFC Gomezvasquez, E.*	PVT Rodriguezhernandez, A. E.	
PVT Gorismunoz, J. R.	PVT Sacconi, G. O.	
PVT Graves, K. L.	PVT Schiaffo, D. J.	
PVT Grimes, L. A.	PVT Schultz, A. J.	
PFC Grismer, T. M.	PVT Sewell, G. D.	
PVT Gruendle, E. S.	PFC Shorter, D. J.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. A. Hernandez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt I. M. Fannin
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. A. Tovar
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. E. Vitale



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC W. S. Elston
 HOMETOWN.....Athens, OH
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt South

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT M. T. Armstrong (331)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Cochran
 COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC M. J. Fedorko (594)

PFC Alejandro, E. J.	PVT Kyriazis, D. E.	PVT Trongone, C. Y.
PFC Armendarizrico, D.	PVT Lacy Jr., T. J.	PVT Winter, K. R.
PVT Armes Jr., J. L.	PVT Laxton, C. T.	
PVT Armstrong, M. T.	PVT Lemusleon, M. A.	
PVT Batista, Y.	PFC Lewis, A. R.	
PVT Batta Jr., A. J.	PVT Love, B. A.	
PFC Bettencourt, C. A.	PVT Martin, C. A.	
PVT Boyle, A. N.	PFC McFarland, T. H.	
PVT Burnett, D. E.	PFC Mejiaescobar, C. A.	
PVT Canales, R. S.	PVT Mendezjimenez, A. J.	
PVT Carroll, G. R.	PVT Montanez, M. E.	
PVT Casimir, E. G.	PVT Nierenberger, A. M.	
PVT Castellano, J. M.	PFC Oesterreicher, L. M.*	
PVT Cerrocanjay Jr., F.	PFC Orion Jr., J. M.	
PVT Connelly, C. J.	PVT Ortiz, U.	
PVT Cruz, V. A.	PFC Osorto, G. C*	
PVT Davies, A. L.	PFC Owenburg, J. R.	
PVT Demorest, D. M.	PFC Paradis, C. A.	
PVT Diaz, J. J.	PFC Pierre, W.	
PFC Elston, W. S.*	PFC Pravia, B. A.	
PFC Fedorko, M. J.	PVT Ramirez, N. A.	
PFC Fletcher, E. C.	PFC Reynolds, E.	
PVT Garza, D. L.	PVT Rhodes, W. C.	
PVT Giron, N. M.	PFC Rioscasanas, J. A.	
PFC Gonzalez, J. A.	PFC Rohrbach Jr., E. J.*	
PVT Harkins, A. S.	PFC Sanderson, D. M.*	
PVT Hernandez, A. M.	PVT Santiago, N. E.	
PFC Hicks, M. G.	PVT Savage, M. L.	
PVT Howard, G. A.	PVT Sellers, K. J.	
PVT Isecke, A. J.	PVT Singh, D. V.	
PVT Jordan, S. M.	PVT Smith, N. A.	
PVT Killmeyer, D. L.	PVT Thomas Jr., R. D.	
PFC Kozacek Jr., S. R.	PVT Tomb, R. D.	
PVT Kralle III, R. C.	PVT Torresliberata, E. D.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. M. Richters
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt Z. A. Ford
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt N. P. Miracle
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt C. J. Kovalsky



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC A. A. Andrus
 HOMETOWN.....Laffayette, LA
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Marin

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC T. M. Alcorn (328)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Castellon
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC A. A. Silvarangel (568)

PVT Acostalinares, E.	PFC Lineberry, C. T.	PVT Zimmerman, S.
PVT Albercaabreu, A.	PVT Lockhart, J. K.	
PFC Alcorn, T. M.*	PVT Lopezperez, R. J.	
PVT Amos, B. M.	PVT Marinaccio, N. A.	
PFC Andrus, A. A.*	PVT Maza, L. D.	
PVT Berliner, D. A.	PVT McCann Jr., C.	
PFC Blackburn, J. D.*	PVT McLaughlin, P. S.	
PFC Bloom, R. J.	PVT Medinagarcia, E. J.	
PVT Bouquin, T. D.	PVT Mejiaenamorado, L. A.	
PVT Braddy, A. P.	PVT Miller, C. C.	
PVT Brown, J. M.	PVT Mocnroe, A. Y.	
PVT Cintroncoreano, C. J.	PFC Norris, R. D.	
PVT Concepcion, J. A.	PVT Ornelas, A. J.	
PVT Coronelacevedo, Y. G.	PVT Oviedo, R. S.	
PFC Cotten, A. J.*	PFC Paidá, C. I.	
PVT Crisp, W. E.	PVT Park, J. M.	
PVT Deeter, K. R.	PVT Patten, L. H.	
PVT Dembowski, R. B.	PVT Reese II, W. R.	
PVT Eckman, N. P.	PFC Reinacarretero, J. S.	
PVT Gervin, A. L.	PFC Robinson, D. A.*	
PVT Gleaton, A. R.	PVT Rodriguez, A.	
PVT Hemsley, D. A.	PVT Rogers Jr., J. M.	
PFC Hernandez, M. A.	PVT Sancheznunez, J. G.	
PVT Hernandezponcedele, R.	PVT Santillancartagena, D. Y.	
PVT Herrera, T. C.	PVT Scoville, L. J.	
PFC Hester, C. S.*	PVT Shaikh, H.	
PFC Hoilet, T. M.	PVT Sharp, G. M.	
PVT Htoo, S.	PVT Shen, T. T.	
PVT Johnson, D. L.	PFC Silvarangel, A. A.	
PFC Johnson, L. M.	PVT Skrip, R. F.	
PVT Jones, D. D.	PFC Stewart, D. I.	
PVT Kassman, J. J.	PVT Urena, S. R.	
PVT Lake, E. H.	PVT Warrenortega, D. N.	



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

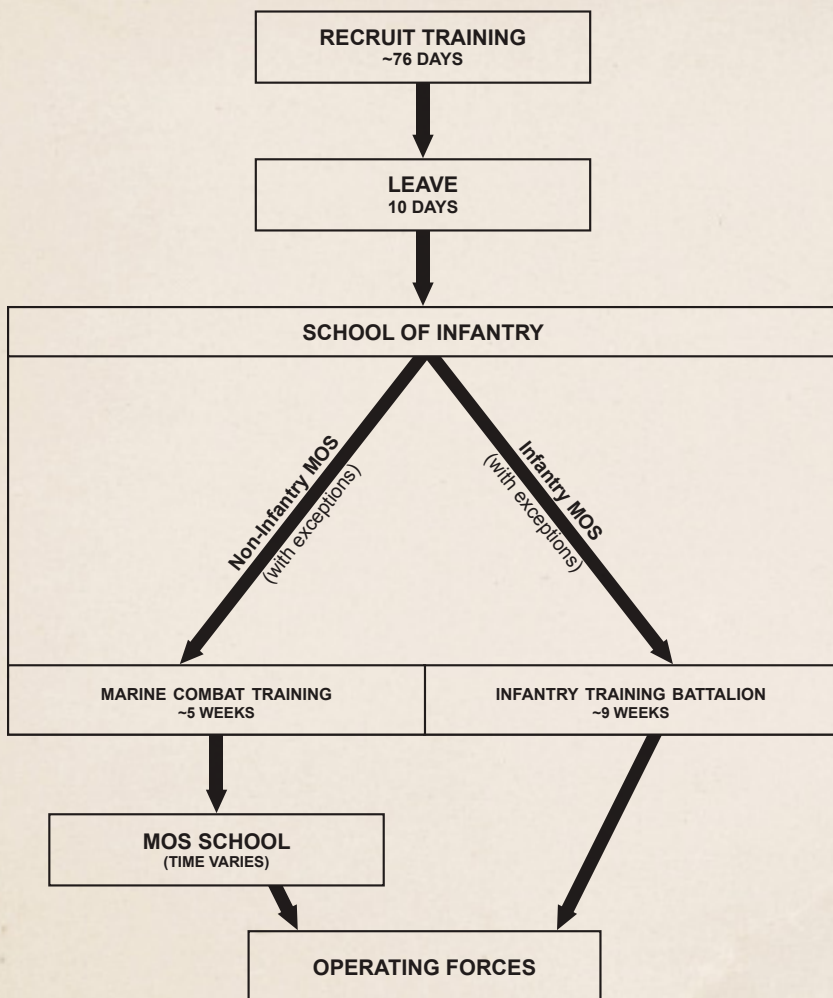
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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