



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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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

5 September 2025

Recruit Training Regiment

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Colonel A. P. Bariletti
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major E. M. Smack

1st Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Lieutenant Colonel G. T. Moynihan
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major J. J. Jenkins

Commander of Troops

Captain M. P. LaGalbo

Parade Adjutant

Captain S. D. Thompson

Company “D”, 1st Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Captain M. P. LaGalbo
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....First Sergeant R. K. Wilkes
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain K. J. Bramblett
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain J. T. Peer
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant K. E. Meier
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Gunnery Sergeant A. D. Offredi

Drill Masters

Gunnery Sergeant J. C. Merriweather
Staff Sergeant B. C. McGuigan

Chaplain

Lieutenant K. V. Heitman

Color Guard

Sergeant S. E. Griffis Sergeant A. C. Vacca
Sergeant M. A. Meyers Sergeant A. T. Miller

PLATOON 1056

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt K. B. Uzzle
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt D. A. Spannagel
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt S. Mendozagonzalez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Z. R. Wendig
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt M. T. Afolabi



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC E. M. Beliard
HOMETOWN.....	St. Augustine, FL
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt Walker

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC J. S. Edwards (324)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Molina

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFC J. J. Morales (584)
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PVT Aciargentile, J. M.	PVT Harrell, T. A.	PVT Solanorios, J. C.
PVT Adams, A. C.	PFC Hernandez, J.	PFC Sparks, H. T.
PFC Adams, L. H.	PVT Hernandezlongoria, B.	PFC Steiger, C.
PVT Adcock, A. K.	PVT Hurley, G. I.	PVT Tapiagamez, E. A.
PFC Aguilmendez, D.	PVT James, T. C.	PFC Tate, B. J.
PVT Alameda, A. L.	PFC Jovanelly, B. W.	PFC Thornhill, B. S.
PVT Allen, T. G.	PFC Kemery, C. F.	PFC Turner, J. I.
PFC Alonzo, B. A.	PVT King Jr., J. T.	PFC Watts, B. M.
PFC Barton, T. A.	PFC King, D. B.	PFC Williams, M. P.
PFC Bastien, N. J.	PFC Labang, S.*	PFC Wiseman, M. S.
PVT Bautistaloarca, C.	PFC Longwell III., S. K.	PVT Worley, G. D.
PFC Beliard, E. M.	PVT Lorezogonzalez, A.	PVT Wright, C. A.
PVT Berlinger, J. B.	PFC Macedocarrasco, A.	PFC Yun, Y.
PVT Blanks, T. D.	PFC Macedovilleda, J.	
PVT Bridgers, M. C.	PVT Marqueznarrete, B. O.	
PVT Brinkley, B. C.	PVT Melendez, M. A.	
PVT Brown II., C. A.	PVT Mir, M. O.	
PFC Campbell, D. D.	PVT Montes, R. L.	
PVT Campbell, M. E.	PFC Morales, J. J.*	
PVT Carpenter, I. C.	PFC Nicastro, C. J.	
PFC Carreto, A. T.*	PVT Noe, Z. A.	
PVT Clark Jr., T. N.	PVT Partin, R. V.	
PFC Cook, G. A.*	PVT Perez, J.	
PVT Cornejoparadis, J. R.	PVT Powell, C. A.	
PVT Cox, J. J.	PVT Ramsdell, T. S.	
PFC Craig, X. S.	PVT Richardson, A. M.	
PVT Earnest, R. B.	PFC Richardson, A. D.	
PFC Edwards, J. S.	PFC Robinson, A. M.	
PVT Gibson, J. T.	PVT Rodriguez, L. A.	
PVT Gonzalez, A.	PVT Rogers, K. K.	
PFC Gonzalez, R. E.	PVT Shafiro, M. A.	
PFC Gonzalezserrano, B.	PFC Simon, D. P.	

PLATOON 1057

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt C. N. Contrera
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt A. M. Johnson
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt C. A. Cuevas
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt C. M. Griffith
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt A. M. Tatum



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC M. A. Deloney
HOMETOWN.....	Phenix City, AL
RECRUITED BY.....	Sgt Rafferty

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC D. Garay (324)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Seda

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFCE. D. Cerrillovalencia (568)
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PVT Aguilar, I. J.	PFC Leonard, O. C.
PFC Arias, E.	PVT Lyons, T. G.
PVT Banegasvillatoro, A. M.	PFC Maynard, E. R.
PFC Beasley, P. L.*	PFC Mcdaniel, A. L.
PVT Bernatz, R. A.	PVT McPhetridge, A. S.
PVT Brown, K. E.	PFC Moralessilva, V.
PVT Calixmaradiaga, S. A.	PFC Morenolopez, J. A.
PFC Cannady, L. E.	PFC Nittolo, A. B.
PFC Cerrillovalencia, E. D.*	PFC Norris, L. M.
PFC Chang, C.	PFC Okpo, B. K.
PFC Charles, S. A.	PVT Ortegaloopez, J.
PFC Coachman, S.	PVT Paw, E. D.
PVT Craft, A. L.	PVT Perezambrosio, A.
PFC Deloney, M. A.*	PVT Perezgomez, D. A.
PFC Faulkner, W. A.	PFC Plank, J. G.
PVT Fernandezrodriguez, Y. D.	PFC Poston, L. M.
PFC Garay, D.	PVT Whitman, D. H.
PFC Godwin, S. M.	
PFC Goodwin, J. M.	
PFC Gray, A. N.	
PVT Grimsley, J. S.	
PFC Hardiman, A. A.	
PVT Herd, M. R.	
PVT Hernandezgonzalez, K. A.	
PVT Hightower, I. R.	
PFC Hood, T. P.*	
PFC Hopkins, C. N.	
PFC Howard, T. A.	
PFC Huerta, R.	
PVT Ironhawk, J. C.	
PVT Jeffery, V. R.	
PVT Knox, A. T.	

PLATOON 1058

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt B. P. Baumann
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt N. A. Barry
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt K. N. White Jr.
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt N. B. Jones
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt C. Aristizabal



PLATOON HON GRADUATE.....	PFC P. S. McMonagle
HOMETOWN.....	Springfield, PA
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PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	Pvt D. B. Deleon (327)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Hook

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFC R. J. Granville (585)
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PVT Agrue A. J.	PFC Melopelaez J. N.	PVT Walters D. J.
PVT Albino E.	PVT Miller G. A.	PVT Wilz C. L.
PVT Allen S. W.	PFC Millington B. J.*	PFC Yost C. F.
PFC Ayers T. S.	PFC Murphy N. K.	PVT Zarumamuyolema R. A.
PVT Baker L. R.	PVT Newell W. T.	
PVT Barnhart L. J.	PFC Newman A. P.	
PVT Byers D. B.	PVT Ngigi D. M.	
PFC Charles M. J.	PVT Nicholson S. C.	
PFC Cimino D. J.	PVT Ogwynn L. N.	
PVT Clark I. D.	PFC Oliver C. Z.	
PVT Cottrill M. B.	PFC Olmsted J. G.	
PFC Crider C. R.	PVT Parsons C. M.	
PFC Dasilva N. S.*	PVT Patterson B. J.	
PVT Davies A. J.	PVT Patterson J. A.	
PVT Deleon D. B.	PFC Payne E. M.	
PFC Dezurik A. M.	PVT Pegues C. T.	
PFC Duarte R. N.	PFC Pena E. R.	
PVT Footman D. O.	PFC Persyn D. D.*	
PFC Freebairnlopes X. A.	PVT Priemon L. D.	
PFC Granville R. J.	PVT Rios B. A.	
PFC Hall J. N.	PFC Running E. M.	
PFC Hoyle C. W.*	PFC Rymond Z. L.	
PFC Huamanialzamora C. A.	PVT Sabo E. W.	
PFC Jennings J. A.	PFC Santiagoperez S.	
PVT Kahn J. L.	PVT Sellers J. H.	
PVT Kurtz R. J.	PVT Smith J. M.	
PVT Malone G. K.	PFC Stclair J. M.	
PFC McKenzie B. D.	PVT Stoots E. A.	
PFC McKenzie C. R.	PVT Thrash S. W.	
PFC McMonagle P. S.	PFC Treadway G. A.	
PFC McAmara T. M.	PVT Vines A. K.	
PVT Melo K. A.	PVT Vivas J.	

PLATOON 1060

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt N. B. Bradshaw
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt A. A. Harewood
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt J. C. Locklair
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt M. R. Masson
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt J. J. Cordova



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....	LCpl T. L. Stanley
HOMETOWN.....	Tampa, FL
RECRUITED BY.....	Sgt Magana

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC M. P. Gallardo (332)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Cpl Hazelwood

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFCC D. Rohrbach (568)
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PVT Abdulkareem, S. A.	PFC Jones, R. M.	PFC Thorhauer, E. D.
PVT Acevedohidalgo, A. J.	PVT Knapp, J. A.	PFC Tiradogonzalez, E. H.
PVT Amartey, F. J.	PVT Lang, J. A.	PVT Trout, M. I.
PFC Baggett, M. D.	PVT Lemoine, T. T.	PVT Vance, S. P.
PFC Banks, L. B.	PVT Lewis, A. M.	PFC Webb, C. W.
PFC Basilio, M.	PFC Luciano, J. M.*	PVT Wedding, H. W.
PFC Blanconguyen, A. N.	PVT Major, T. H.	PFC Westbrook, J. V.
PVT Chichester, J. K.	PVT Marriott, A. K.	PVT White, J. J.
PFC Conti, B. J.	PVT Martel, M. A.	PVT Williams, D. J.
PFC Cook, L. P.	PVT Mata, A.	PVT Yother, G. A.
PVT Cooper, P. C.	PVT McDaniel, C. A.	
PVT Cornish, M. J.	PFC McKinney, I. E.	
PFC Cruzhernandez, M. A.	PFC Mederosleal, V. M.	
PVT Dattolico, I. K.	PVT Meus, A. R.	
PVT Davidson, T. I.	PVT Mitchell, K. M.	
PVT Dawit, K. T.	PFC Morales, W. J.*	
PFC Dean, T. J.	PVT Norfleet, W. C.	
PVT Delgadofantauzzi, Y. D.	PFC Ortégacolin, E.	
PFC Dunn, R. L.	PFC Osteen, J. M.	
PVT Eager, C. R.	PVT Page, L. B.	
PVT Fernandez, J. S.	PFC Parker, J. I.	
PVT Fisher, E. B.	PVT Perezduran, W. A.	
PFC Gallardo, M. P.	PVT Pierce, R. D.	
PVT Gilmer, B. T.	PVT Ramosrodriguez, F. L.	
PVT Griggs, H. H.	PVT Reyesperez, E.	
PFC Guerrerosoto, I. R.*	PVT Rodriguez, K. E.	
PFC Harwell, J. B.	PVT Rogg, L. S.	
PVT Hernandez, D. E.	PFC Rohrbach, C. D.	
PFC Hoffman, A. M.*	PFC Smith, G. W.	
PVT Holloway, J. N.	PFC Smoot, K. S.	
PVT Holmes, B. M.	LCpl Stanley, T. L.*	
PVT Hopkins, S. D.	PFC Stasser, S. D.	
PVT Johnson, D. P.	PVT Stephenson, L. V.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt N. Henriquez Belliard
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt R. C. Mercado
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. R. Tsosie
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt O. U. Cavazos
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. Pimentel



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC E. G. Angelini
 HOMETOWN.....Green Castle, PA
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PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT L. A. Wallace (319)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Seda
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC N. M. Marietti (582)

PFC Allgood, A. A.	PFC Roblero, C. Y.
PFC Andresvasquez, M.	PFC Romanoro, C.
PVT Andrews, D. C.	PVT Rosasvillanueva, J.
PFC Angelini, E. G.*	PFC Ruizgonzalez, R. M.
PVT Ayler, T. D.	PFC Saxton, I. L.
PFC Barros, M. D.	PFC Shum, A. E.
PFC Bedoyatorrecillas, J. M.	PFC Skinner, Z. L.
PVT Black, Z. N.	PFC Soniflores, M. I.
PVT Capellannerivera, J. N.	PVT Stein, S.
PVT Delgadogonzalez, D. A.	PFC Stingley, M. S.
PVT Fleurinord, M.	PVT Sutton, C. P.
PFC Fortier, J. D.	PFC Thomas, A. N.
PFC Gabriel, A. E.	PFC Torres, N. E.*
PFC Gomez, B. A.	PFC Torresvelasco, E.
PFC Hallis, G. L.	PVT Valdezacuna, G.
PVT Hausam, A. K.	PVT Walker, B. M.
PFC Henson, A. F.	PVT Wallace, L. A.
PFC Hunter, J. N.	PVT Wynn, B. M.
PVT Jeffrey, J. J.	
PVT Joyeau, S. C.	
PFC Kuti, N. L.	
PFC Lhamo, R.	
PFC Marietti, N. M.*	
PFC Mendoza, M. V.	
PVT Monroe, M. C.	
PFC Muschette, T. C.	
PVT Niel, R. A.	
PFC Odrain, M. R.	
PFC Otengacheampong, T.	
PVT Post, H. L.	
PVT Ramirezluviano, A.	
PFC Resendizlanda, B.	

PLATOON 1062

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. D. Pitsch
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. S. Adetona
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. Toranzoinfante
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt R. L. Bozich
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. D. Pryor



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC A. Trejo
 HOMETOWN.....Brentwood, NY
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Restivo

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT D. P. Mitchell (324)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Smith
 COMAPNY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC J. A. Cepedasantelices (587)

PFC Abraham, T. L.	PFC Lopez III., J. R.	PFC Trejo, A.
PVT Abreu, F. E.	PVT Lopezcajiga, I. I.	PFC Vegaberiguete, E.
PVT Allen, I. B.	PFC Loyd, L. N.*	PFC Waite, R. D.
PFC Araujo, M. F.*	PVT Macias, J. L.	PVT Weilacher Jr., D. A.
PFC Batson, C. J.	PVT Malone, S. A.	PVT Young, I. A.
PFC Blackwell, B. A.	PVT Mari, M. M.	
PVT Brezill Jr, T. O.	PVT Miller, A. A.	
PVT Brogden, J. T.	PVT Mitchell, D. P.	
PVT Browning, J. G.	PVT Moralestoaza, J.	
PFC Budgeon, J. J.	PVT Motinomaradiaga, K. E.	
PFC Cabrera, B.	PVT Nathan, J. A.	
PFC Carberry, D. A.	PFC Pagan Jr., J. E.	
PFC Carter, X. L.	PVT Papastefanou, S. M.	
PFC Cepeda, B. L.	PVT Perez, B. E.	
PVT Cepedasantelices, J. A.	PFC Perezlopez, L. A.	
PVT Claudio, J. J.	PFC Pope Jr., L. T.	
PVT Collins, J. R.	PFC Raines III., T. A.	
PFC Craig, J. A.	PVT Ramosbetanzos, D. I.	
PFC Dominguez, D. D.	PVT Raymond, W. M.	
PFC Dominguez, I. M.	PVT Rivera, Z.	
PVT Durall, C. D.	PVT Rojas, A. W.	
PVT Fernandez, D. E.	PFC Romerofuentes, J. J.	
PVT Garciaquijada, E. E.	PVT Rosalesblanco, M. A.	
PFC Gonzalezvazquez, E. A.	PFC Sanchez, J. D.	
PVT Grant, O. J.	PFC Sanchez, K.	
PVT Harris, J. C.	PVT Santiago, W. A.	
PFC Herreramarin, D. S.*	PFC Santillanpalacios, E.	
PVT Johns, K. S.	PFC Schmidt, E. H.	
PVT Johnson, C. X.	PVT Seymour, C. M.	
PVT Kinyunda, M.	PVT Suarez, G.	
PFC Ladd, K. D.	PVT Szala, S. J.	
PVT Lewis Jr., D. S.	PFC Tavarez, M.	



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

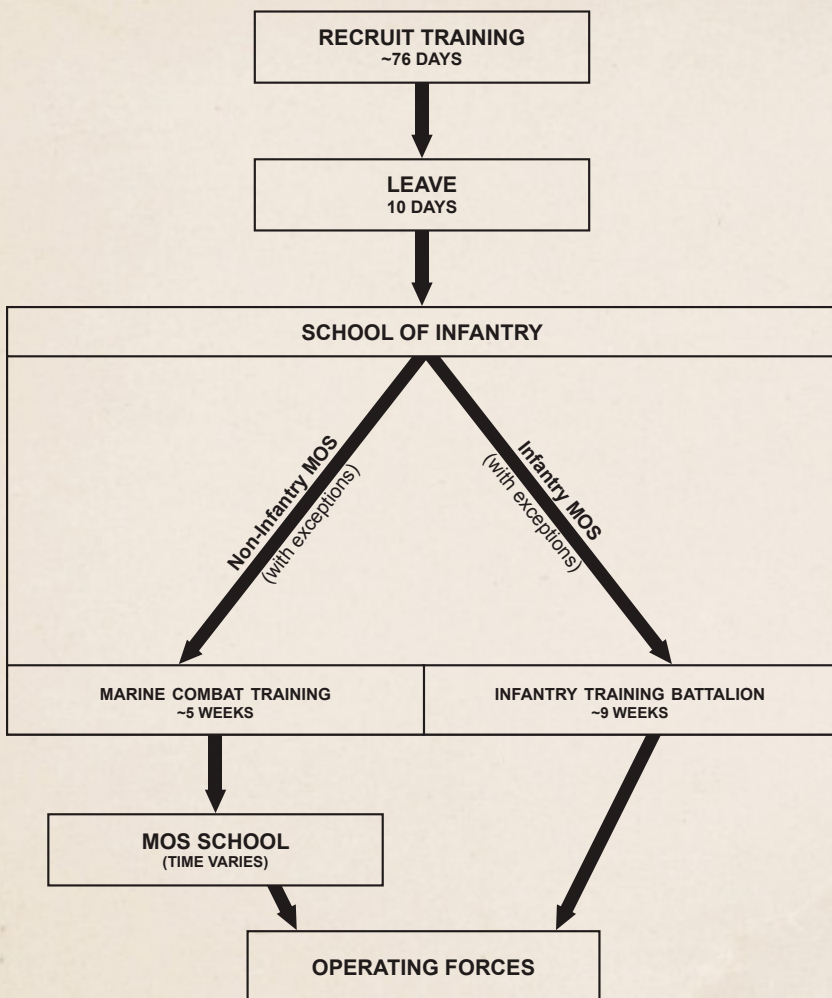
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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