



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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*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

31 October 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 B. S. Paris

Parade Adjutant
Captain E. B. Pace

Company “B”, 1st Recruit Training Battalion

Commanding OfficerCaptain B. S. Paris
Company First SergeantGunnery Sergeant P. D. McHam
Lead Series CommanderFirst Lieutenant R. M. Swetnam
Follow Series CommanderCaptain J. P. McWhinnie
Lead Series Chief Drill InstructorStaff Sergeant D. Fields
Follow Series Chief Drill InstructorStaff Sergeant C. J. Clower

Drill Master
Staff Sergeant J. A. Runion

Chaplain
Lieutenant K. V. Heitman

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

PLATOON 1072

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt A. Tirado
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. J. Jackula
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. L. Sizemore
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. M. Hafferty



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC N. J. Lavino
 HOMETOWN.....Malden, MA
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Thompson

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVTA A. Murillo (322)

MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Howard

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....PFC J. G. Williams(588)

PVT Allen, M. E.	PFC Hill, M. J.	PFC Smouse, A. J.
PVT Alvarezmontoya, J. I.	PFC Ho, K. D.	PVT Stinsky, M. T.
PFC Bartlebaugh, K. A.	PVT Hoflack, P.	PVT Suarez, K. E.
PVT Bartnikowski, W. J.	PVT Holt, R. P.	PVT Sun, H.
PVT Belz, J. A.	PFC Hopkins, S. B.*	PFC Tamaddoni, M. M.
PVT Bienaime, C.	PVT Johnson, K. D.	PVT Thomas, S. F.
PVT Blevins, D. C.	PVT Labarre, C. J.	PFC Uriostegui, S.*
PFC Boedeker, N. J.*	PFC Lavino, N. J.*	PVT Valderramosnunez, N. N.
PVT Bonanno, A. C.	PVT Leggett, N. E.	PFC Viquezbrenes, A. G.
PFC Brians, L. F.	PVT Lopez, B. E.	PFC Williams, J. G.
PFC Buckland, D. N.	PVT Meikle, R. R.	PFC Yorkroberts, M. L.
PVT Bulloch, B. W.	PVT Mercado, J.	
PVT Cann, N. C.	PVT Miller, B. J.	
PFC Castillo Jr., A.	PVT Morrison, G. E.	
PVT Castillo, A.	PVT Murillo, A. A.	
PVT Chavez, C. U.	PVT Murray, K. J.	
PVT Chavez, D.	PFC Njambilo, D.*	
PVT Consiglio, E. M.	PVT Ortizmorales, K. C.	
PVT Davis, B. P.	PFC Owusuansah, K.	
PVT Ebunyebe, O. I.	PFC Pazmendoza, C. J.	
PVT Espinosabolanos, H. I.	PVT Phillips, B. L.	
PVT Fair, B. J.	PVT Portilloescobar, J. I.	
PFC Fantu, S. D.	PFC Priestley, R. A.	
PVT Ford, A. J.	PFC Purcell, A. J.	
PVT Fuentes, D.	PVT Reyes, D. A.	
PVT Fuhrman, E. D.	PVT Reyesgarcia, E.	
PVT Fulcher, C. J.	PVT Reyeshernandez, R. J.	
PVT Gaskill, J. D.	PFC Roach, M. A.	
PVT Gonzalezzierra, J. Y.	PFC Rozner, N.	
PFC Graf, E. J.	PVT Sapoff, A. J.	
PFC Hall, N. S.*	PFC Shteynberg, A. J.	
PVT Hernandez, P. J.	PVT Sierra, E.	

PLATOON 1073

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt A. M. Harris
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt K. J. Nepomuceno
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. L. Vatuvei
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt G. Tellez



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC D. Dormeus
 HOMETOWN.....Ocoee, FL
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Delgado

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFCA. M. Gowan (323)

MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Seda

COMPANY HIGH PFT/CFT.....PFC J. N. Savage (600)

PFC Acevedourgiles, C. J.*	PVT Gonzalez, S. A.	PFC Pickering, T. D.
PFC Barahona, J. V.	PFC Gowan, A. M.	PFC Ramirez, Y. A.
PVT Black, N. B.	PFC Gundlach, L.	PVT Roa, K. M.
PVT Blackwell, D. K.	PVT Hansen, E. E.	PFC Romero, V. L.
PFC Blaine, C. A.	PVT Hernandezgarcia, G. M.	PFC Samaroo, E. A.
PVT Borjas, E.	PVT Hernandezmartinez, M.	PFC Sanchez, K. P.*
PVT Caguana, K. J.	PVT Hobbs, E. E.	PFC Savage, J. N.
PVT Canovillano, J.	PFC Holmes, J. M.	PVT Stallworth, K. J.
PFC Carbonell, S. M.	PFC Holmes, N.	PVT Suarez, M. F.
PVT Castellanos, S.	PVT Hualle, F. Y.	PFC Turner, S. R.
PFC Chillous, M. T.*	PFC Huicocheacano, B. G.	PFC Thomas, A. A.
PFC Colon, J. M.	PFC Hula, S. R.	PVT Valdez, L. M.
PFC Colon, S. A.	PFC Kaser, L. E.	PVT Vazquez, C. I.
PFC Combs, J. N.	PVT Lavender, B. M.	PVT Viator, A. A.
PVT Cook, L. P.	PFC Lokey, R. P.	PVT Videscabrera, E. J.
PVT Costello, K. R.	PFC Lucerolucero, W. A.	PFC Walter, J. M.
PVT Cowart, Y. T.	PVT Ly, R.	PVT Williams, T. A.
PVT Cruzsanchez, A. L.	PFC Macphail, A. M.*	PFC Zylo, E. E.
PFC Daphelus, N.	PFC Martinezcueto, E. J.	
PFC Delacruzchavez, K. N.	PVT McAlister, A. M.	
PVT Deleonmarin, M.	PFC McHale, H. G.*	
PFC Delgadogomez, Y.	PVT Medrano, K. A.	
PFC Delossantosdeoleo, G. J.	PFC Mejialara, J.	
PVT Dickerson, V. D.	PVT Morales, V.	
PFC Dormeus, D.	PVT Morse, J. J.	
PVT Echeverria, C. E.	PVT Nandalall, S. D.	
PVT Ensley, L. L.	PFC Newman, M. J.	
PFC Ferminparra, M. D.	PVT Nicolas, G.	
PVT Floresperez, G. A.	PVT Olmedoflorentino, D. P.	
PVT Fox, M. J.	PFC Ortiz, J. A.	
PVT Garciahernandez, D.	PVT Ortiz, L. C.	
PFC Gloates, R. A.*	PFC Patterson, E. N.	
PVT Gomeztejada, R.	PVT Perez, S. R.	

PLATOON 1074

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt H. J. AlfaroLopez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. J. Peach
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt E. M. Southerland
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt B. J. Davis
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. R. Pelton



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC E. D. Williams II.
 HOMETOWN.....Lacrose, FL
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Bailey

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT G. T. Olvera (330)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Benjamin

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....PVT T. HernandezPortillo (598)

PVT Archibald, H. D.	PVT Johnson, C. J.	PVT Rodriguezperez, M.
PVT Askew, C. A.	PVT Juarezneri, R.	PFC Ryan, D. S.
PFC Bell, L. M.	PVT Kebede, N. S.	PVT Saavedraduque, J.
PVT Bennett, C. T.	PFC Lee, J. J.*	PVT Sanchez, A. T.
PVT Berkland, A. E.	PFC Leon, D. A.*	PVT Savage, L. M.
PFC Bertram, S. J.	PFC Leseganich III., J. P.	PFC Schneider, J. A.
PFC Bloom, C. G.*	PVT Lopes, B. A.	PVT Shearouse, J. C.
PVT Brown, M. A.	PVT Lopez, A. M.	PVT Sparkman, N. A.
PFC Cabreracabrera, A.	PVT Lopezbermudez, H.	PVT Stewart, S. A.
PFC Card, H. A.	PVT Lowery, C. J.	PFC Strickland, E. J.
PVT Castilloalvarado, C. D.	PVT Lucasavila, M.	PVT Trevino, S. L.
PFC Darnell, N. H.	PFC Malave, J. I.	PVT Troesch, J. O.
PVT Dennison, B. K.	PVT Manley, J. O.	PVT Valdezgonzalez, F. I.
PVT Diaz, D. A.	PFC Marcum, E. E.	PVT Vanmeter, Z. G.
PVT Diazfuertes, F. E.	PVT Marquezvalladares, D. I.	PVT Ware, D. J.
PVT Dopson, M. D.	PFC Matias, E. H.	PVT Wayne, C. A.
PFC Duran, J.	PVT Mickens, E. L.	PFC Williams II., E. D.*
PFC Ferrell, W. N.	PVT Miller, B. M.	PFC Williams, J. E.
PVT Fields, C. A.	PFC Miller, D. J.	PVT Williams, J. L.
PVT Fillio, A. G.	PFC Mills, D. B.	PFC Zamudio, J. D.
PVT Foster, G. M.	PFC Mitchell, T. D.	
PFC Garcia, A. M.*	PVT Morris Jr., N.	
PVT Gray, L. P.	PFC Obney, N. R.	
PVT Gump, H. D.	PVT Oliveira, M. N.	
PFC Hayden, E. V.	PVT Olvera, G. T.	
PVT Helms, T. A.	PVT Ortiz Jr., J. C.	
PVT Hernandez, J. E.	PFC Owen, C. P.	
PVT Hernandezportillo, T.	PFC Pennington, F. T.	
PVT Hoffmann, G. T.	PVT Pennington, T. A.	
PVT Horton, J. D.	PFC Radford Jr., S. E.	
PFC Ivy, T. R.	PVT Rich, N. C.	
PFC Jenkins, D. R.	PVT Rodriguez, J.	

PLATOON 1076

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt J.A. Goins
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt L. D. Hutto
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt J. L. Johnson
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt A. J. Martinez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt G. I. Vasquez



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC B. H. Riles
HOMETOWN.....	Wessely Chapel, FL
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt Goins

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC T. A. Barker (320)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Hill

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....	PVTC. Sabo (591)
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PFC Barker, T. A.*	PFC Korcsok, B.	PVT Skudlarek, B. M.
PVT Blade, G. M.	PVT Lacrete, E. B.	PVT Stecchi, O. A.
PFC Blair, I. J.	PVT Lanzer, D. A.	PVT Sykes, T. L.
PVT Boone, A. M.	PVT Lascola, K. M.	PVT Terracianoarias, J. I.
PVT Butz, D. J.	PVT Laureano, J. E.	PVT Torres, J. P.
PVT Campionerickson, I. W.	PVT Layne, K.	PVT Trimner, P. S.
PVT Carroll, N. M.	PVT Lezcanosanchez, Y. L.	PVT Verellen, M. A.
PVT Cicero, V. J.	PFC Luque, E.	PVT Vi, T. Q.
PVT Connors, B. F.	PVT Martin, J. R.	PFC Vilamar, B. C.
PVT Corgan, E. R.	PVT Martinez, M.	PVT Ward, B. J.
PVT Daly, J. J.	PVT Maslin, A. J.	PFC Weber, O. J.
PFC Desir, R. E.	PFC Matthews, D. T.*	PFC Wood, H. M.
PVT Devine, A. I.	PFC Matthias, N. I.	PVT Wyszynski, B. P.
PVT Dohm, B. H.	PVT McConville, Z. D.	PFC Zarate, E.*
PFC Farrington, B. M.	PVT Mejia, J. D.	PVT Zun, P. K.
PVT Forget, J. A.	PVT Miller, A. W.	
PFC Gabryszewski, M. R.	PVT Morrow, C. L.	
PVT Garay, J. M.	PVT Neering, L. N.	
PVT Garrett, M. R.	PVT Nestelroad, D. L.	
PFC Gonzalezhernandez, J. J.	PVT Nunez, E. E.	
PFC Greaves, K. O.	PVT Pape, S. J.	
PVT Grote, P. O.	PVT Persson, D. A.	
PVT Hays, A. C.	PVT Phillips, L. H.	
PVT Hooker, G. D.	PVT Pintoyanac, Z. E.	
PFC Horberg, M. A.	PVT Ramirez, J. I.	
PFC Hortenbury, D. L.	PVT Ramirezknapp, N. A.	
PVT Johnson, T. J.	PFC Riles, B. H.*	
PVT Jurczak, M. A.	PVT Rutledge, C. M.	
PVT Kent, A. G.	PVT Sabo, C. P.	
PFC Kilheffer, B. M.*	PVT Seiber, J. L.	
PVT Killey, J. M.	PFC Sekarthur, K. R.*	
PVT King, A. J.	PVT Sicard, J.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. M. Bailey
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt T. M. Juan
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. S. Moon
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt K. R. Polk
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. A. Emlich



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC Wolcott, K. D
 HOMETOWN.....Buffalo, NY
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Ekassa

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC P. Cruzguardado (326)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Abdu
 PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....PFC K. D. Wolcott (589)

PVT Abercrombie, P. L.	PFC Hidalgoluna, V. B.	PVT Spa, Z. T.
PVT Allen, E. B.	PFC Hilarioleon, R.	PVT Splungejones, D. T.
PVT Barrera, O.	PFC Hildebrand, C. A.	PFC Strain, E. C.
PFC Blake, B. M.	PVT Housley, A. C.	PVT Taylor, T. P.
PVT Bowden, R. J.	PVT Jaboin, J.	PVT Tucker, L. H.
PVT Brilla, K. B.	PVT James, J. M.	PVT Valderramasantos, C. J.
PVT Brinkerhoff, P. G.	PVT Janak, O. M.	PVT Villalobos, L. M.
PFC Brown, J. D.	PVT Jasinski, C. J.	PFC Wackes, J.
PVT Burkett, D. M.	PFC Jimenezquiroz, E.	PFC Wolcott, K. D.*
PVT Bustillos, J.	PFC Johnson, A. L.*	PVT Young, Early G.
PFC Carpenter, D. L.	PVT Johnson, B. L.	
PFC Cassatt, J. W.*	PVT Knight, R. D.	
PVT Castillonajera, A.	PVT Maloneadkins, R. A.	
PVT Cenc, B. M.	PVT Mancillagomez, E. S.	
PFC Cruzguardado, P.*	PVT Martinezalfaro, B.	
PVT Davies, S. D.	PFC May, S. D.	
PVT Dixon, S. C.	PFC Miller III., T. D.*	
PVT Dunn, J. G.	PVT Munoz, A.	
PVT Eastham, W. R.	PVT Niang, I.	
PVT Edwards, L. T.	PFC Norman, C. J.	
PVT Farris, H. J.	PFC Perezmendez, K. L.	
PVT Faulman, A. M.	PFC Philogene, O.	
PVT Filarski, D. J.	PVT Pinasoto, C. A.	
PFC Fournier, G. T.	PVT Puerto, S. O.	
PVT French, A. M.	PVT Reina, J. A.	
PVT Galeasgonzalez, E. J.	PVT Rios, J. N.	
PFC Garcia, R. M.	PVT Rodriguez, G. E.	
PVT Gardner, J. S.	PVT Rojasmariano, A. T.	
PVT Giles, S. B.	PVT Santana, K.	
PFC Hadaway, B. J.	PFC Schermerhorn, B. A.	
PVT Henderson, A. R.	PVT Smith, C. A.	
PFC Heresco, I. M.*	PVT Solanobasurto, L. A.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt. K. N. Cole
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt A. A. Cheek
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt S. T. Pilkington
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt N. M. Bateman
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt E. A. Dominguez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt T. O. Brugger



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC E. V. Baughman
 HOMETOWN.....Rootstown, OH
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Reed

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC T. J. Billiot (326)

MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Hooks

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....PFCE E. V. Baughman (593)

PFC Alford, T.	PVT Laureanorodriguez, S. A.	PVT Vilchissalas, J.
PVT Almeida, A. C.	PFC Lewis, J. M.	PVT Vivasmarin, D.
PVT Asare Jr., E. K.	PFC Lian, V. B.*	PVT Walker, C. D.
PFC Baughman, E. V.	PVT Manney, S. J.	PVT Wang, R.
PFC Billiot, T. J.*	PVT Mantillasantos, M. V.	PVT Whitaker, O. R.
PVT Burky, R. J.	PFC Martin, S. A.	PVT White, J. C.
PVT Clasen, A. E.	PFC McKenzie, T. W.*	PVT Williams, J. A.
PVT Coly, A.	PVT McLuckie, E. C.	PVT Wilt II., H. M.
PVT Cotto, J. M.	PVT Miranda, E.	PVT Wolfgang, H. R.
PVT Craigwhite, C. L.	PFC Morin, J. E.	PVT Wordlow, J. C.
PVT Crisostomo, R. C.	PVT Murr, B. A.	PVT Zhou, Z.
PFC Delrosario, M. R.*	PVT Newsom Jr., B. P.	
PVT Diallo, M. S.	PVT Novak, M. A.	
PVT Duranhuerta, J.	PVT Ocasioagerena, J. S.	
PVT Echelbarger, C.	PVT Ortiz Jr., L. A.	
PVT Entler, W. A.	PVT Pereirogomez, E.	
PVT Espinolora, W. Y.	PFC Perez, T. Q.	
PVT Ferreira Jr., R. A.	PFC Pipher, R. A.	
PVT Fournier, S. N.	PVT Portier, B. C.	
PVT Fudge, D. J.	PVT Reh, K.	
PVT Gray, J. D.	PVT Rimmer, E. S.	
PVT Guevara, J. N.	PFC Saintlot, R. O.	
PFC Hardy, J. M.*	PVT Sang, J. B.	
PVT Harrass II., D. J.	PVT Smith, P. S.	
PVT Hernandezceruz, C.	PVT Smith, T. D.	
PVT Hicks Jr., J. K.	PVT Stevens, J. M.	
PVT Hortanunvez, A.	PVT Tamang, S.	
PVT Jasinski, C. M.	PVT Tompkins, J. L.	
PFC Jimenezpagan, F. G.*	PVT Tutino, G. R.	
PVT Kandel, S.	PFC Tyce, R. J.	
PFC Kennedy Jr., M. J.	PVT Valentin, E. E.	
PFC Lanier, I. K.	PVT Vanella, T. R.	



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

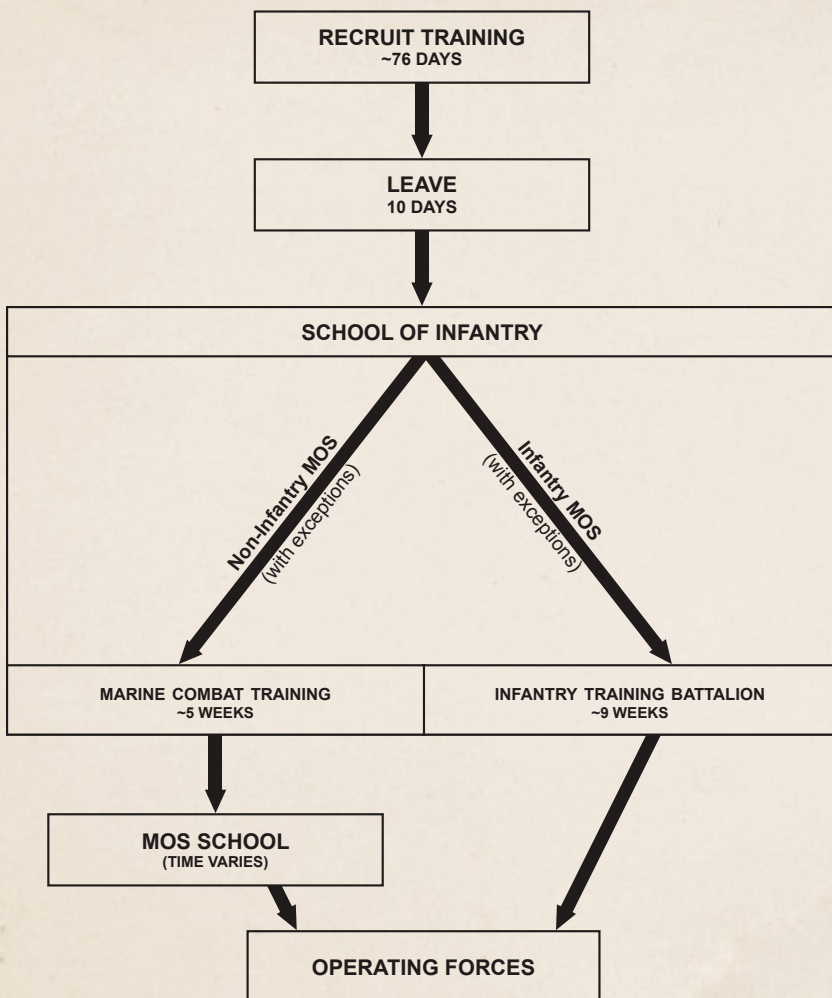
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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