



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

*National Anthem**

Sound Off

Report – Publish the Order

Officers' Center

Commanding Officer Remarks

Pass in Review

Retirement of Guidons

Introduction of Award Recipients

*Marines' Hymn**

Final Dismissal



"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

21 June 2023
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 Z. H. Szymanski

Parade Adjutant
Captain E. B. Pace

Company “C”, 1st Recruit Training Battalion

Commanding Officer.....Captain Z. H. Szymanski
Company First Sergeant.....First Sergeant K. F. Martinezlopez
Company Executive Officer.....Captain E. B. Pace
Lead Series Commander.....Captain A. C. Soto
Follow Series Commander.....Captain A. P. Mccollum
Lead Series Chief Drill Instructor.....Gunnery Sergeant S. L. Jimick
Follow Series Chief Drill Instructor.....Staff Sergeant A. J. Rojas

Drill Masters
Staff Sergeant E. Sarmiento Jr.
Staff Sergeant J. A. Runion

Chaplain
Lieutenant K. V. Heitman

Color Guard
Sergeant A. T. Miller Sergeant J. L. Johnson
Sergeant A. C. Vacca Sergeant S. E. Griffis

PLATOON 1080

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. Diaz
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. B. Spalding
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt C. J. McCoy
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt L. G. Jackson



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC A. G. Smith
 HOMETOWN.....Apex, NC
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt McCormack

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC J. P. Kelly (330)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Wilke

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFCL B. Good (587)

PVT Adams, J. T.	PVT Leblanc, J. S.	PVT Sidiqi, A.
PVT Alejovital, F.	PVT Lopezmaldonado, J. A.	PFC Smith, A. G.
PVT Amerson, M. N.	PVT Lorraine, A. J.	PVT Smith, J. M.
PVT Begic, A. N.	PVT Manieri, R. J.	PFC Stallard, P. C.
PVT Blue, J. A.	PFC Marlow, C. W.	PVT Stephens, S. R.
PVT Brady, Z. S.	PFC Martinez, M. M.*	PVT Thornton, D. W.
PFC Brown, B. M.	PVT McGahey, E. R.	PVT Velezramos, Y. M.
PFC Bullard, K. M.*	PVT McKenzie, M. A.	PFC Walters, G. E.
PVT Caldwell, J. D.	PVT McNair, M. G.	PFC White, I. J.*
PFC Canaday, C. S.	PVT Mendat I. C.	
PVT Capulinparedes, E.	PFC Mezaperez, J.V.	
PFC Carter, S. A.	PVT Michaels, J. G.	
PFC Cedillo, B. I.	PVT Miller, J. D.	
PVT Clark, J. C.	PVT Moore J. A.	
PVT Delosreyes, M. J.	PFC Moore IV, J. L.*	
PFC Dugan, R. P.	PVT Moralesmorales, J. A.	
PFC Enslinger, B.S.	PVT Moser, L. J.	
PVT Garciarivera, F.	PVT Ortiz, J. G.	
PVT Gardner, C. G.	PFC Osorionmarrugo, S. O.	
PFC Gibson II M. V.	PVT Ouzts, A. B.	
PVT Good, L. B.	PVT Ozunacruz, A. J.	
PVT Guerravalle, C.	PVT Pavongonzalez, U. G.	
PFC Guzman, P. D.	PVT Perezmercado, L. A.	
PVT Hasty, J. W.	PFC Petrus, D. M.	
PVT Heller J. Josiah	PVT Pinedograci, L. C.	
PVT Hernandez, D.	PVT Quach, E. B.	
PVT Hughes, J. W.	PFC Ramirez, I. S.	
PVT James, C. M.	PVT Reyes, A. C.	
PVT Joiner, E. A.	PVT Reyes, S. R.	
PFC Kelly, J. P.*	PFC Rodgers, D. E.	
PVT Kelsey, A. A.	PFC Saravana, E. A.	
PVT Lacombe, Z. L.	PFC Shishman, I. S.*	

PLATOON 1081

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt B. D. Trantum
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. Thach
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt D. J. Lagda
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt B. A. Howard Jr.
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt W. A. Hernandez



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFCL C. Kooi
 HOMETOWN.....Dalton, GA
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Kelly

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT B. H. Gilbert (328)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt LaFleur

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFCL C. Kooi (588)

PVT Aguilar, D. S.	PVT Jeff, I. L.	PFC Taylor, J. P.*
PVT Arayahidalgo, O. S.	PVT Kooi, L. C.	PVT Thomas, H. J.
PFC Ardon, J. J.	PVT Kurtz, J. K.	PVT Utz, A. W.
PFC August, O. E.	PVT Lakey, A. T.	PFC Valenciacruz, R.
PVT Battaglia, A. K.	PVT Luby, J. C.	PFC Welsh, Q. E.
PVT Beasley, S. S.	PFC Martinez, A. A.	PFC Williams II., C. J.*
PVT Benedict, G. L.	PFC Matthews, J. C.	PVT Yons, W. J.
PVT Boyd, E. I.	PFC Medley, E. R.	
PVT Brown, A. M.	PVT Midwell, C. M.	
PVT Brown, T. A.	PVT Milam, W. L.	
PVT Calleja, J. D.	PVT Miller, S. I.	
PFC Cotaros, J. A.	PVT Miller, W. A.	
PVT Dewanamuni, S. D.	PFC Mojica, D.*	
PVT Dionne, G. M.	PVT Monroe, J. L.	
PFC Dorsey, T. D.	PVT Moscarelli, B. L.	
PVT Duran, I.	PVT Moseley, J. G.	
PVT Flach, C. R.	PFC Park, J. Y.	
PVT Fonsecahuerta, A. G.	PVT Ramirez, D.	
PVT Fritts, M. L.	PVT Reyes, D. J.	
PVT Furlo Jr., W. J.	PVT Riegert, K. D.	
PFC Galvezroblero, R. R.	PFC Rivasfuentes, C. A.*	
PFC Garrison, G. R.	PVT Roark, M. N.	
PVT Gilbert, B. H.	PVT Robinson, J. W.*	
PFC Gonzalez, J.	PVT Ruizmoreno, J. M.	
PFC Hackett Jr., C. D.*	PVT Rumenapp, A. A.	
PFC Hamilton Jr., J. D.	PVT Sanchez Jr., A.	
PVT Harris, S. D.	PVT Silverio, A.	
PVT Headley, J. C.	PFC Skrip, T. M.	
PVT Huffman, C. A.	PFC Slaton, J. A.	
PVT Hughes, C. R.	PVT Sparacino, N. J.	
PVT Huntley, L. M.	PVT Sparks, D. Z.	
PVT Jarrosak, J. L.	PFC Stallings, J. T.	

PLATOON 1082

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt M. B. Carter
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt J. Cabrera
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt B. M. Brooks
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt M. M. Ashiagbor



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC J. G. Wenger
 HOMETOWN.....Linville, Va
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Williams

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT J. L. Moore (321)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Hooks

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC J. Hatefi Jr. (592)

PFC Adams, J. M.	PFC Ibrahim, R. E.	PFC Torres J. D.
PVT Axolacosta, D.	PVT King, D. A.	PFC Vazquez, X.*
PVT Barabin, E. J.	PVT Kuilan, N.	PFC Wenger, J. G.
PFC Belcher, K. L.	PVT Laird, E. D.	PVT Whitten, C.
PFC Bennett, C. W.	PFC Lee, T. H.	PVT Williams, M. A.
PVT Blaylock, B. L.	PVT Lerette, C. I.	PFC Wooters, I. E.
PVT Bravo, F.	PFC Lipscomb, B. H.	PVT Wyatt, J. A.
PVT Buendia, H.	PVT Marshall, A. Q.	
PVT Byrd, R. B.	PFC Mirandagonzalez, R.	
PVT Caruso, N. R.	PFC Monteagudo, F. D.*	
PVT Chavez, B. J.	PVT Moore, J. L.	
PVT Chicasvelasquez, M.	PFC Mordan, L. D.	
PVT Chinkhwangwa, D. H.	PVT Mowatt, J. J.	
PFC Claudio, X. I.	PFC Murray, A. J.	
PVT Coffey, J. J.	PVT Nohren, A. J.	
PFC Cooper, J. D.	PVT Opoku, M. K.	
PFC Dahnert, M. T.	PVT Owensby, N. R.	
PVT Davis, H. W.	PVT Paul, J. J.	
PVT Desper, C. W.	PVT Pelletier, C. M.	
PVT Dunford, P. T.	PFC Ploger, L. J.	
PFC Funk, M. C.	PFC Pugh, E. D.*	
PVT Fuqua, N. M.	PVT Ridgeway, C. G.	
PFC Gaskin, B. R.	PFC Rosales J. Jorge	
PVT George J. Kendal	PVT Sabol, B.	
PVT Githens, M. W.	PFC Secrest J. Scott*	
PVT Guadarrama I. Mario	PVT Shenderovskiy, E. M.	
PVT Hagans, I. T.	PFC Simmons, J.	
PFC Hale, M. T.	PVT Skidmore, D. R.	
PVT Harper, M. J.	PFC Smith, P. R.*	
PFC Hatefi J. Joseph*	PFC Smith, Q. D.	
PVT Hebner, C. A.	PFC Stansbury, J. W.	
PVT Hill, M. J.	PVT Taoiareyes, A.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt N. Prosper
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. M. Gray
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt D. A. Tillman Jr.
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt R. H. Delorbenunez



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC M. J. Lee
 HOMETOWN.....Wapakoneta, OH
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Callahan

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC J. M. Moore (328)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Moberly

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC B. P. Buckley (595)

PFC Arndt G. R. *	PFC Goncalvesgomes, K. B.	PVT Perez, Y. E.
PVT August, L. M.	PVT Havalotti, A. C.	PFC Picornellalvarez, J. C.
PVT Balboa, J. S.	PVT Havalotti, C. O.	PVT Poe, T. T.
PVT Blevins, G. D.	PFC Hill, S. C.	PVT Poku, B. A.
PFC Bond, K. T.	PVT Hyde Z. I.	PFC Quilligana, J. S.
PVT Brinser, K. M.	PVT Jackson, C. A.	PVT Quintero, E.
PFC Buckley, B. P.	PFC Jean, E. W.	PVT Ramirezojeda, Z. J.
PFC Burkholder, A. D. *	PFC Kahsu D. S.	PVT Richardson J. J.
PVT Butler, E. S.	PVT Kareem, O. S.	PVT Rodriguez, E.
PFC Canfield, C. R.	PVT Khapangi, S.	PFC Sanchez, H. A.
PVT Carmonarivas, M.	PFC Koski, C. W.	PVT Smith, C. J.
PVT Carr, M. L.	PFC Lee, M. J. *	PFC Stachler, L. W. *
PFC Carranzasantillan, J. C.	PFC Leto, D. A.	PVT Tavares, M. S.
PFC Cassase, T. A. *	PVT Lombanabustamante, M.	PFC Valdesgalvez, J. A.
PVT Castrillon, M.	PFC Londono, M.	PVT Wade, H. E.
PVT Cavallini, M. F.	PVT Lopez, Z. R.	
PVT Chachavillavicencio, J. M.	PFC Louis, P. G.	
PVT Cox, Z. C.	PVT Manns, J. J.	
PVT Crane, J. M.	PVT Massie, M. I.	
PVT Cunningham, I. M.	PVT Mayo, K. Q.	
PVT Duran, N. G.	PVT McGrother, D. A.	
PVT Evans, J. P.	PFC Mejia, R. S.	
PVT Fabian, B.	PVT Mentzer, M. J.	
PVT Ferreira, B. T.	PFC Monteiro, A. C.	
PVT Fisher, W. M.	PFC Moore, J. M. *	
PVT Fonseca A. M.	PVT Moregrasswilson, E. A.	
PVT Gallagher, L. P.	PVT Morenoquintero, A. V.	
PVT Garcia, D. O.	PVT Murphey, B. B.	
PVT Garciaadeleon, B. J.	PVT Murphy, C. S.	
PVT Garciagazca, J.	PVT Pacheco, C. A.	
PVT Georgallis, B. A.	PVT Paredes, S. I.	
PFC Gigliotti, D. M.	PVT Parrish, W. D.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. J. Mahone
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt X. C. Rice
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt K. A. Evans
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt E. J. Sena



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC B.A. Lewis
 HOMETOWN.....Baton Rouge, LA
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Batiste

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT S. Rosas (327)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Vasquez

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC A. M. Pinedaquinones (595)

PVT Altamirano, K.	PVT Hickcox, T. J.	PVT Sukul, M. N.
PVT Barajas, J. J.	PFC Ho, R.	PFC Suquilemamorocho, B. A.
PVT Batres, J. L.	PVT Huynh, P. B.	PVT Sutliff, N. G.
PVT Boliere, G. M.	PVT Labzioui, I.	PVT Tatano, P. A.
PVT Buckwalter, W. E.	PFC Lewis, B. A.*	PVT Tully, S. M.
PVT Cabbab, T. H.	PVT Lewis, R. M.	PVT Vitrovvy, D. P.
PVT Capellanpascual, R. D.	PVT Lewis, S. J.	PVT Wallace, R. G.
PFC Chapin, N. L.*	PVT Llanosgarcia, J.	PVT Ware, D. J.
PVT Cipriano, D. J.	PVT Luna, B.	PVT Williams, J. A.
PVT Clary, J. M.	PVT Manley, J. J.	PVT Willis, M. M.
PFC Clay Jr., R. L.*	PVT May, C. A.	PVT Ynfantetorres, S. J.
PVT Colonacevedo, Y. E.	PFC McFadden, W. P.	
PVT Condomorales, A.	PVT Meadows, L. E.	
PVT Cruzmarquez, Y.	PVT Miller, S. W.	
PFC Dancy III., M.	PVT Monsibaez, L. J.	
PVT Davis, K. L.	PVT Oliverwelch, L. J.	
PVT Davis, W. S.	PFC Ortizdelgado, G. O.	
PVT Deleonmorales, L. E.	PVT Owens, L. C.	
PVT Delgado, J. A.	PVT Parillo, A. C.	
PVT Domingoperez, J. A.	PFC Pinedaquinones, A. M.*	
PVT Escobar, J.	PFC Pujols, A. I.	
PVT Espeut, A. J.	PFC Restonavedo, I. C.	
PFC Felix, C.*	PVT Rodriguez, W. D.	
PVT Fernandez, C. M.	PVT Romeroromero, K. A.	
PFC Flohre, B. J.	PVT Rosas, S.	
PVT Galarzaavelino, A.	PVT Russell, D. E.	
PVT Gonzalez, R. C.	PVT Russo, J. M.	
PVT Guitian, B. M.	PFC Salvadorgomez, M. N.	
PVT Hale, C. A.	PVT Shea IV., T. J.	
PVT Hall, S. B.	PVT Sinclair, J. W.	
PVT Hamilton, D. A.	PFC Sinclair, J. L.	
PVT Helo, A. M.	PFC Stevenson, R. K.*	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J.A. Hernandez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J.R. Adams
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. A. Liu-Kuey
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S.M. Rutledge
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt K.A. Diaz



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC R.M. Polancocespedes
 HOMETOWN.....Bronx, NY
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Franco

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT C. J. Rapczak (328)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt McDonald

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFCC C. C. Dawson (599)

PFC Abreumirez, D. A.*	PFC Guzmanvazquez, J. A.	PVT Torres, J. N.
PVT AmantecatI, A. I.	PVT Harrinarine, K.	PFC Torresdelgado, A. Y.
PVT Anderson, N. C.	PVT Henry, T. L.	PFC Torresrivera, D. I.
PFC Arnausantiago, L. Y.	PFC Horodriguez, J. J.	PVT Traore, J. A.
PVT Arroyo, M. C.	PVT Huey, I. A.	PVT Tyson, B. M.
PFC Bailey, B. G.*	PFC Huggins, C. R.	PVT Walper, A. M.
PVT Bowers, R. C.	PVT Hutchins, D. R.	PFC Walter, E. M.
PVT Burdier, W. I.	PFC Jones, D. J.	PVT Watts Jr., T. F.
PVT Carias, R.	PVT Jones, L. M.	PVT Williams, I. D.
PVT Casey, S. J.	PVT Jones, P. L.	PVT Zuletaelias, B. S.
PVT Chevalier, A. E.	PFC Kennerly Jr., W. J.	
PVT Connellan Jr., P.	PVT Laplante, M.	
PFC Cooper, W. W.*	PVT Larkin, C. N.	
PVT Csaszar, J. A.	PVT Lopez, A. J.	
PVT Davi, L. A.	PVT McIntosh, S. S.	
PVT Davis III., H. L.	PVT Membrenoortiz, E. S.	
PFC Dawson, C. C.	PFC Merecka Jr., M. F.*	
PVT Degon, J. J.	PVT Mills, B. D.	
PVT Denning, M. Z.	PVT Moreau, A. G.	
PVT Derr, K. M.	PVT Novak, A. T.	
PFC Diazrivera, J. Y.	PVT Oconnor, G. A.	
PFC Donegan, M. E.	PFC Ortizortiz, D. A.	
PVT Donnersbach, D. M.	PVT Ouhadi, L. J.	
PVT Ebarb, S. M.	PVT Plunkett, M.	
PVT Eitniear, J. A.	PFC Polancocespedes, R. M.	
PVT English, A. J.	PVT Ramirezpullucksing, A. G.	
PFC Fazzari, E. J.*	PVT Rapczak, C. J.	
PFC Figueroafigueroa, R.	PVT Ruch Jr., R. W.	
PVT Gaines Jr., L. D.	PFC Simms, W. E.*	
PVT Garza Jr., J. L.	PVT Solaresperez, N. J.	
PVT Georger, T. L.	PVT Swetnam, E. R.	
PVT Gongorarodriguez, R.	PVT Thomas, M. J.	

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

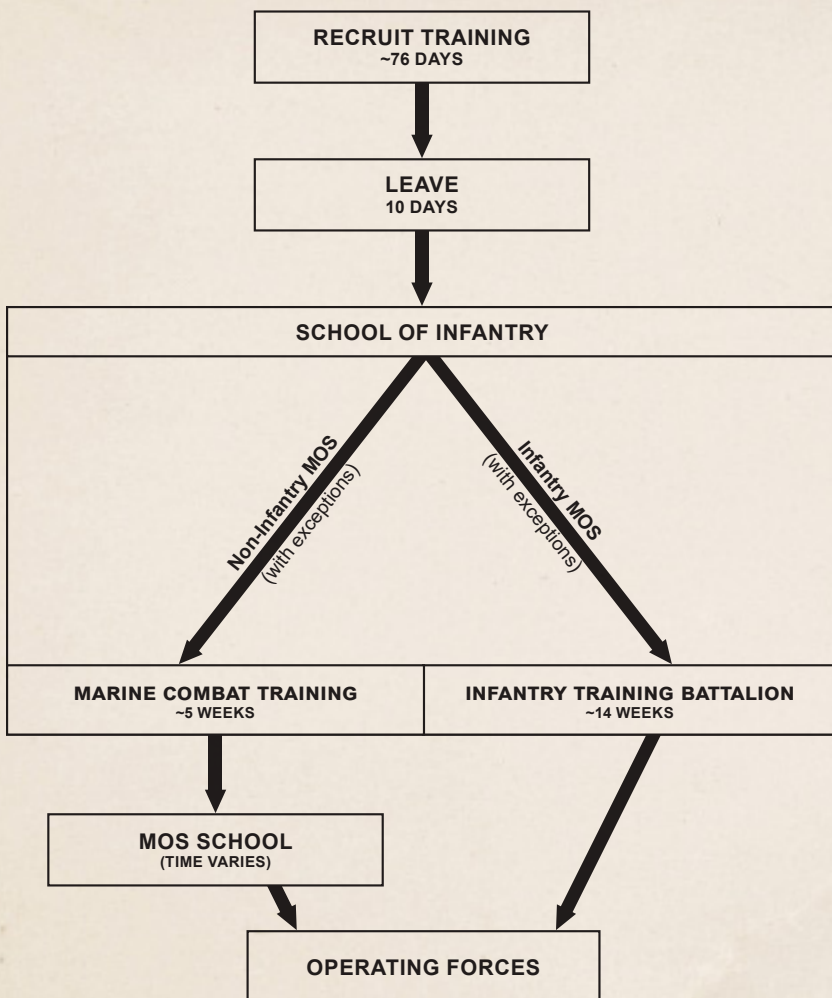
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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