



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

18 June 2026

Recruit Training Regiment

Commanding Officer.....Colonel A. P. Baraletti
Sergeant Major.....Sergeant Major E. M. Smack

Third Recruit Training Battalion

Commanding Officer.....Lieutenant Colonel B. L. Tye
Sergeant Major.....Sergeant Major R. W. Pinney

Commander of Troops

First Sergeant G. L. Lowrance

Parade Adjutant

Staff Sergeant A. B. Walker

Company "M", Third Recruit Training Battalion

Commanding OfficerCaptain J. D. Roth
Company First SergeantFirst Sergeant G. L. Lowrance
Lead Series CommanderCaptain G. Warrick
Follow Series Command.....Captain J. Titus
Lead Series Chief Drill InstructorStaff Sergeant C. A. Durand
Follow Series Chief Drill InstructorStaff Sergeant A. T. Stone

Drill Master

Staff Sergeant D. M. Brodie
Staff Sergeant T. Washington

Chaplain

Commander M. Onuoha

Color Guard

Sergeant Griffis Sergeant Juan
Sergeant Everard Sergeant Valsaint

PLATOON 3040

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt M. A. Gonzalez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt P. E. Mirandaperez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. R. Percy
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt A. B. Walker
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt Z. W. Gutheinz



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC P. C. O'Neil
HOMETOWN.....Summerville, SC
RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Matsko

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC J. M. Dowsett (327)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Benjamin

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....PVT Y. B. Luoma (599)

PVT Adamestoro, H. J.
PFC Amarikwa, M. N.
PVT Baker, J. T.
PVT Bangura, S. N.
PVT Bautista, D. P.
PVT Bridges, L. D.
PFC Cahalan, I. A.
PFC Carson, J. A.*
PFC Cooper, N. P.
PVT Cox, T. L.
PVT Cumbee, T. B.
PVT Cutshaw, C. D.
PVT Dean, A. L.
PFC Dowsett, J. M.
PVT Flores, B. I.
PVT Gonzalez, H. O.
PVT Hayes, R. M.
PVT Hurteau, B. T.
PFC Jones, J. G.
PFC Langevin, B. T.
PVT Luoma, Y. B.
PVT Macdermott, M. M.
PVT Miller, B. A.
PVT Mitchell, L. J.
PFC O'Neil, P. C.*
PVT Ore, J. L.
PFC Patton, A. S.
PFC Perry, S. A.
PVT Piccola Jr., G. R.
PFC Reynolds, L. E.
PVT Robinson, G. D.
PFC Sanchez, J. O.
PVT Thierry, A. W.
PFC Turner, P. D.*
PVT Wheeler, J. A.

PLATOON 3041

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt S. K. Askew
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt R. J. Kemp
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt E. W. Fletcher
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. Padron
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt E. Hall



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC C. L Moore
HOMETOWN.....Miami, Fl
RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Garciaacruz

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVTT J. Knight (338)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Michael

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....PVT A. D. Robinson (597)

PVT Amouzou, E. R.
PVT Berry, J. C.
PFC Chingacarazas, J. C.
PVT Cortez, J. M.
PVT Dawes, J. G.
PFC Deliz, S. C.
PFC Diaz, J. E.*
PFC Fuentesmendoza, D.
PVT Gil, R. W.
PFC Gomesramirez, A.
PVT Harris, B. E.
PVT Hernandezmoreno Jr., M.
PVT Hoffman, N. W.
PFC Hojanowski, N. J.
PVT Irby, A. C.
PVT Kaupe, A. W.
PFC Kenton, J. D.
PVT Knight, J. T.
PFC Malahias, J. M.*
PVT Massey, G. S.
PFC Moore, C.
PVT Morenoriveria, R. M.
PVT Pardo, C. C.
PVT Pressley, R. T.
PVT Ramirezmartinez, D.
PFC Ruiz, X. A.*
PVT Santiago, D. J.
PVT Scott, D. A.
PVT Silossanchez, M. A.
PVT Tello, N. S.
PVT Thurston, P. C.
PVT Trivette, E. R.
PVT Watkins, X. D.
PFC Weaver, J. C.

PLATOON 3042

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt A.L. Kingdom
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt A. J. MendozaRodriguez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt R. J. Riley
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt R. S. Grantlewis
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt R. X. Nguyen



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC C. A. Garris
HOMETOWN.....Upper Marlboro, MD
RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Singletary

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT D. C. Barret Jr.(327)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Cousino

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....PVT S. Barua (564)

PVT Acevedo, S.
PFC Avery, C. C.
PVT Barret Jr., D. C
PVT Barua, S.
PVT Benson, A. O.
PFC Borzillo, G. A.
PVT Branca, M. D.
PFC Canetfallo, A.
PVT Caso, A. J.
PFC Cates, G. A.*
PVT Craddock, C. J.
PFC Diaz, A.
PVT Dube, J. G.
PFC Flores, A.
PVT Guinan S.
PVT Hill Jr., T. D.
PVT Humr, N. A.
PVT Jackson, H. J.
PFC Key III., R.
PVT Lopera, A.
PVT Luca, A. G.
PVT Mason, Z. K
PVT OlivaCastillo, J. E.
PFC PerezRobles, A.
PFC PreciadoBarrera, G.
PFC Sargent, A. R.
PVT Soto, S.
PVT Stroud, Q. M.*
PVT Tejada, W.
PVT Truesdell, G. N.
PVT Vanvranken, K. E.
PFC Williams, J. E.
PVT Witt, L. J.
PFC Wood, D. R.

PLATOON 3044

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. E. Klakken
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. Eller
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. S. Bartolomeo
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt D. M. Banks



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....LCpl M. M. Haynes
HOMETOWN.....Century, FL
RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Hall

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC Z. N. Cousineau (323)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Smith

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....PFC C. M. Scott (600)

PVT Bastoni, G. W.
PFC Beecher, C. N.*
PVT Bobet, E. A.
PFC Campbell, J. A.
PVT Cortez, E. A.
PFC Cousineau, Z. N.
PVT Cruzrios, E.
PVT Davis, D. T.
PVT Deming, L. D.
PVT Dewitt, G. L.
PFC Dunmire, L. T.*
PFC Ebbecke, J. C.
PVT Harris, J. T.
LCpl Haynes, M. M.*
PFC Hendricks, J. R.*
PVT Lee, P. T.
PVT Long, R. T.
PVT Lynch, L.
PVT Mello, A. B.
PVT Miller, G. J.
PVT Miller, S. J.
PVT Moncadaunez, M. J.
PFC Montanez, I. X.
PVT Newlon, E. P.
PVT Nyagah, D. M.
PVT Odell, D. C.
PFC Ricker, E. R.
PVT Rodriguez, E. R.
PVT Sanborn, C. A.
PVT Santana, B.
PFC Simpson, J. W.
PVT Sipe, E. L.
PVT Staba, Z. J.
PVT Tamayo, M. E.

PFC Twining, S. B.
PVT Veismanisperkins, J. A.
PVT Williams, A. M.
PVT Willy, J. P.

PLATOON 3045

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. A. Caldwell
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. A. Weaver
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. S. Perry
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt K. R. Valsaint
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. Y. Flores



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC B. D. Rodgers
HOMETOWN.....Madisonville, KY
RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Wright

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC B. D. Rodgers (312)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Dunwald

COMPANY HIGH PFT/CFT.....PFC N. M. Murrell (600)

PVT Aucoin, D. S.
PFC Brown, L. M.
PVT Coffey, N. J. *
PVT Collins Jr., A. R.
PVT Constantinorios, J. A.
PVT Davis, D. D. *
PFC Deckard, B. R.
PVT Duffy, D. L.
PVT Evans, D. M.
PVT Francis, N. S.
PVT Harden, S. L.
PFC Hines, C.
PVT Hoppe, J. P.
PFC Jindra, M. E.
PVT Julian Jr., H. R.
PVT Kanode, A. J.
PFC Kaylor, C. F.
PVT Lafollette, T. M.
PVT Laimo, M. A.
PVT Landefeld, P. J.
PVT Lawson, K.M.
PVT Moran Jr., O. A.
PVT Morse, A. J.
PVT Murrell, N. M. *
PFC Nelson, G. C.
PVT Parra, A.
PVT Phillips, N. F.
PVT Rivera, N. O.
PFC Rodgers, B. D.
PVT Stevens, J. L.
PVT Suquipenazola, C. J.
PVT Swanson, R. W.
PVT Thacker, C.A.
PVT Ware, J. C.
PVT Wolfork, A. A.

TRANSFORMATION



The Marine Corps makes Marines and wins battles. We consider these two activities to be inextricably linked, and believe the individual Marine decides the outcome of any conflict or military action despite constant advances in battlefield technology.

Today, Marines are committed across the globe to operations as diverse as guarding American diplomatic missions, providing disaster relief, and conducting combat operations. Thousands more remain forward deployed, ready to secure our nations' interest on short notice.

Operating successfully in such diverse and complex operating environments is challenging, but these challenges are not new. Marines have faced, and overcome, similar challenges throughout history. To ensure our future success, we looked to the Marines of the past to see what made them successful in battles like Belleau Wood, Iwo Jima, the Chosin Reservoir, Hue City, and Fallujah. We found that strong character and a fighting spirit rooted in core values were essential to our past success. Developing strength of character and instilling these core values is the essence of what we call “transformation.”



THE TRANSFORMATION LIFECYCLE



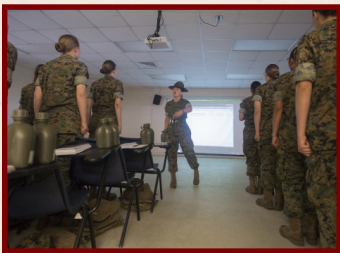
The transformation process begins with recruiting, where we select young men and women of demonstrated potential and commitment and prepare them for recruit training.

Transformation accelerates during boot camp, where Drill Instructors remain the key to making Marines. Drill Instructors transform recruits into basic Marines through intense, demanding training including close order



drill, physical fitness, academics, combat water survival, close combat, and marksmanship. They instruct, mentor and lead recruits, exemplifying Core Values in all they do. Their efforts culminate during the 11th week of training in the Crucible, a grueling 54-hour evaluation of physical, mental, and moral fitness emphasizing selflessness and teamwork.

Transformation is sustained and reinforced throughout each Marine's period of service while assigned to operating units, where teamwork and commitment are essential to success. Regular training and individual mentorship support the continued development of each Marine. Additionally, required formal courses of Professional Military Education emphasize further development of character and core values.



Ultimately, we seek to return transformed Americans home to strengthen our society at the completion of their service. The Corps is known for making Marines who leave active duty to become strong leaders in the community. These Marines demonstrate the lasting value of strength of character based on our core values.



U.S. MARINE CORPS CORE VALUES

Generations of American men and women have given special meaning to the term United States Marine by their performance on and off the battlefield. Feared by enemies, respected by allies, and loved by the American people, Marines are a “special breed.” This reputation was gained and is maintained by adhering to a set of enduring core values, the guiding beliefs and principles that give us strength, influence our attitudes, and regulate our behavior. Our Core Values are:

HONOR

The quality that guides Marines to exemplify the ultimate in ethical and moral behavior; to never lie, cheat, or steal; to abide by an uncompromising code of integrity; to respect human dignity; to have respect and concern for each other. The quality of maturity, dedication, trust, and dependability that commits Marines to act responsibly; to fulfill obligations; to be accountable for actions and to hold others accountable for their actions.

COURAGE

Courage is the mental, moral, and physical strength ingrained in Marines to carry them through the challenges of combat and the mastery of fear; to do what is right; to adhere to a higher standard of personal conduct; to lead by example, and to make tough decisions under stress and pressure.

COMMITMENT

The spirit of determination that leads to professionalism and mastery of the art of war. It leads to the highest order of discipline for unit and self; enabling 24-hour-a-day dedication to Corps and Country; pride; concern for others; and an unrelenting determination to achieve a standard of excellence in every endeavor. Commitment is the value that establishes the Marine as the warrior and citizen others strive to emulate.

GUIDANCE FOR NEW MARINES

As one of our Corps' newest Marines, you will normally travel to your home of record for 10 days of well earned "boot leave" prior to reporting for follow-on training at the School of Infantry. While home on leave, take the time to rest and re-connect with your Marine family and friends. Stay true to our core values of honor, courage, and commitment. Maintain your physical fitness, and remain safe in day-to-day activities. Use this time to rest, reflect upon the commitment you have made to our Corps and nation, and prepare for your next phase of training. I encourage you to contact your recruiter and assist them in selecting qualified candidates for enlistment.

YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

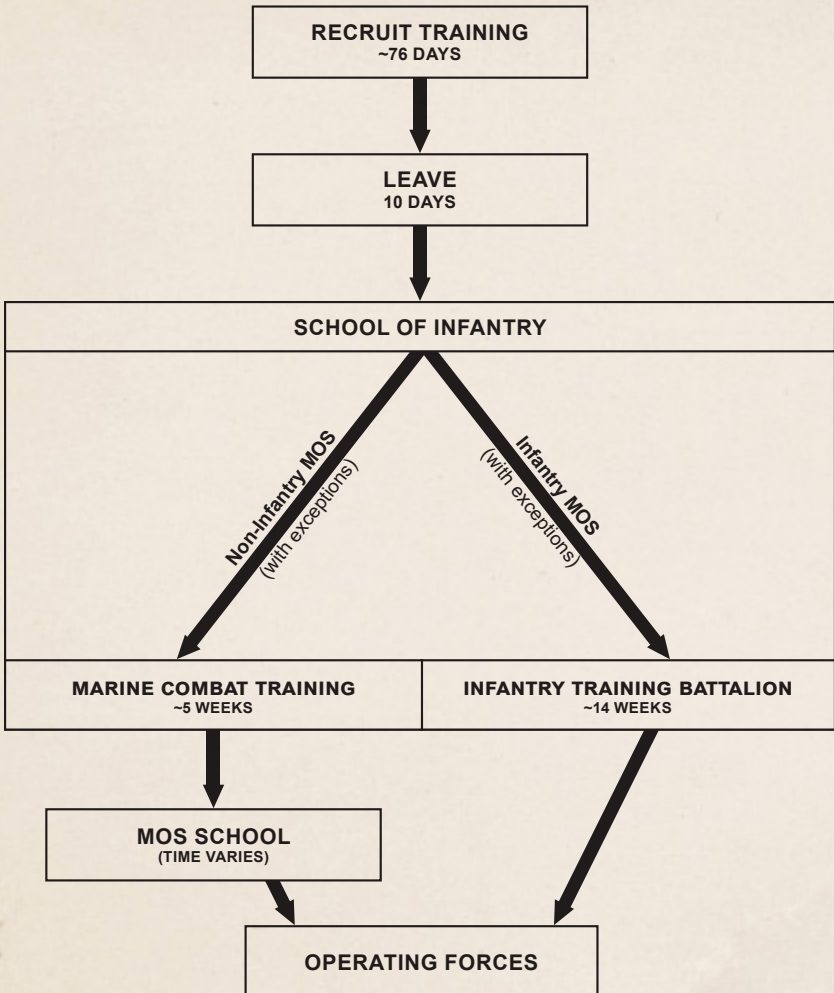
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself in accordance with the high standards to which you have been held. Demonstrate to everyone your transformation into a proud, disciplined Marine. Many of your friends and acquaintances will not understand your commitment, and you may need to make tough decisions as a result. Have courage. Remember, you now represent the Marine Corps to your family, friends, hometown, and our nation.

MY EXPECTATIONS

Use our Core Values as a moral compass. Be true to yourself, your family, our Corps, and our nation. Our Core Values apply, always and everywhere. You may be tempted to participate in activities incompatible with our ethos; stay committed to the course you chose when you received your Eagle, Globe, and Anchor. Additionally maintain your physical readiness; this is a life-long effort and you have a good start. Watch what you eat, stay hydrated, go for light runs during leave, and maintain your upper body strength. I challenge you to assist our Corps in recruiting. For over 242 years, every Marine has been a recruiter. Contact your recruiter - you may have the opportunity to impact our recruiting effort and improve your opportunities for promotion at the same time. Finally, be safe. Think before you act. You have not driven a motor vehicle in over three months, so be careful. Drive safely, and above all else, don't drink and drive. In the end, I expect you to arrive at your next duty station rested, healthy, and ready to continue your training.

ENTRY-LEVEL TRAINING OVERVIEW

The chart below outlines the basic entry level training progression for new Marines, from recruit training, through the School of Infantry, and on to the Operating Forces. Most Marines assigned non-infantry Military Occupational Specialties (MOS) will complete Marine Combat Training while at the School of Infantry, followed by their MOS school. Some assigned non-infantry MOSs will attend Infantry Training Battalion in lieu of Marine Combat Training, followed by their MOS school. Those assigned infantry MOSs will attend Infantry Training Battalion.



MERITORIOUS PROMOTIONS

Marines are eligible to earn meritorious promotions to the next higher rank by referring qualified applicants for enlistment to their recruiter.

- A private needs only one referral for promotion to private first class. In addition to increased authority and responsibility, this promotion will increase the Marine's pay more than \$150 per month.
- A private first class requires only two referrals for promotion to lance corporal. This promotion will increase the Marine's pay by over \$75 per month and will provide the Marine an even greater opportunity to demonstrate his or her leadership and professionalism.

SCHOOL OF INFANTRY REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS

- Report to the Commanding Officer, School of Infantry-East. The uniform for reporting to the School of Infantry-East is the Service "A" uniform.
- Pack two full sets of utilities (one green digital and one desert digital), boots and hygiene kit in your carry-on bag.
- Carry your ID card, ID tags, orders, SRB and medical/dental records in your carry-on bag.
- Bring all Marine Corps issued clothing and equipment.
- Wear appropriate civilian attire while traveling between your leave address and the School of Infantry-East.
- If you need immediate assistance while you are on leave, contact your recruiter.
- The contact information for the School of Infantry-East at Camp Geiger, North Carolina is Student Administration at (910) 449-0441/0442/0443. During non-working hours (1700-0700 Monday-Friday, weekends, and holidays), call the Officer of the Day at (910) 449-0179.
- The School of Infantry-East website contains additional information. The address is <http://www.tecom.marines.mil/soieast/unithome.aspx>



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