



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 August 2026

Recruit Training Regiment

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

Second Recruit Training Battalion

Commanding Officer.....Lieutenant Colonel R. J. Russell
Sergeant Major.....Sergeant Major J. P. McCord

Commander of Troops

Captain A. G. Johnson

Parade Adjutant

First Lieutenant M. K. Meo

Company "F", Second Recruit Training Battalion

Commanding OfficerCaptain A. G. Johnson
Company First SergeantFirst Sergeant T. W. Settle Jr.
Lead Series CommanderCaptain A. Rivera
Follow Series Command.....Captain D. N. Miller
Lead Series Chief Drill InstructorStaff Sergeant M. R. Brooks
Follow Series Chief Drill InstructorStaff Sergeant L. J. Conaway

Drill Master

Staff Sergeant D. M. Brodie

Staff Sergeant X. J. Francisco

Chaplain

Lieutenant J. D. Gentry

Color Guard

Sergeant K. D. Peters

Sergeant T. M. Juan

Sergeant B. A. Everard

Sergeant K. R. Valsaint

PLATOON 2048

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt B. P. Guidry
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt B. T. McDowell
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. Broncano
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt T. E. Bunting
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. S. Araque



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC Z. Bonelli
 HOMETOWN.....Canton, GA
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Dickson

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT K. J. Ramosmedina (339)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Cockram

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....PVT X. M. Martinezgonzalez (588)

PVT Alegriasazo, A. E.	PFC Lara, R. A.	PVT Torres, V. H.
PFC Anjie, G. M.	PVT Lemos, N.	PFC Weathers, F. M.
PVT Antunezperez, B.	PVT Lepkowski, M.	PVT Williams, C. J.
PVT Atwater, N. J.	PVT Locklear, J. C.	PFC Witkop, W. O.
PFC Barnes, C. J.*	PVT Manis, S. A.	PVT Yutzy, E.
PVT Beavers, M. M.	PVT Martinezgonzalez, X. M.	
PFC Blagadarenco, M.	PFC McDonald, W. L.	
PVT Blevins, M. J.	PFC Medlin, J. W.	
PFC Blagadarenco, M.	PVT Mendezcorrillo, C. F.	
PVT Blevins, M. J.	PVT Mercadorivera, Y. O.	
PFC Bonelli, Z. T.	PVT Mezaire, J. P.	
PVT Carswell, E. S.	PVT Molinacardoza, L. E.	
PVT Castrotirado III., M. O.	PFC Moss, T. L.	
PVT Coleman, D. A.	PVT Osorioaguilar, A. M.	
PVT Coley, J. I.	PVT Paielli, L. J.	
PFC Contreras Jr., E.	PVT Phan, T.	
PFC Crosier, C. I.	PFC Phillips, N. D.*	
PVT Cuffy, J. J.	PVT Poole, E. J.	
PVT Davis, N. M.	PFC Ramirezmanzanares, J.*	
PVT Dupontbumgardner, S. A.	PFC Ramosmedina, K. J.	
PFC Foster, R. Z.	PVT Richardson, Q. D.	
PFC Garciagaytan, G. J.	PVT Sampson, N. H.	
PFC Gentile, K. E.	PVT Sandquist, D.	
PVT Gonzalez, F.	PVT Shelley, L. T.	
PVT Gray, B. A.	PFC Speights, N. C.	
PFC Gutierrezpacheco, A.	PVT Squires, A. J.	
PFC Guzmanandujar, A. M.	PFC Stapp, A. L.	
PVT Hall, K. M.	PVT Starks, D. M.	
PFC Hernandez, S. P.	PFC Starr, C. R.	
PVT Hodge, J. P.	PFC Stewart, A. J.	
PVT House, B. L.	PFC Suggs, L. C.*	
PVT Hurley, T. L.	PFC Summers, V. D.	
PFC King, D. A.	PVT Taylor, J. C.	
PVT Lamb Jr., J. R.	PFC Thorpe, O. M.	

PLATOON 2049

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt K. Nepomuceno
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. Pimentel
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt A. McCabe



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC M. Dunn
HOMETOWN.....Stafford, VA
RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Davis

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC K. Donnelley (325)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Smith

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....PFC M. Dunn (589)

PFC Acosta, G. M.	PFC Sanchez, C. I.
PFC Alfonso, A. N.	PFC Schofield, A. L.
PFC Bannister, K. B.	PFC Shuman, T. D.
PFC Bolden, S. R.	PVT Slone, H. D.
PFC Bowers, L. M.	PFC Smith, G. L.
PFC Canalesmiguel, E. G.	PFC Spangler, K. R.
PVT Casado, K. A.	PFC Stewart, A. M.
PFC Castillo, V.	PFC Strafella, C. A.
PVT Chery, Y.	PFC Strong, A. H.
PVT Cline, A. P.	PVT Summers, A. T.
PVT Cornwell, S. R.	PFC Talley, D. M.
PFC Delgado, A. L.	PVT Tarver, K. L.
PFC Depazvalencia, D. L.*	PVT Torres, J. M.
PVT Eugene, O. M.	PFC Valencialuna, P. S.
PVT Fleck, E. R.	PFC Vieravivas, N.
PFC Freeman, C. S.	PVT Wilson, K. K.
PFC George, J. L.	PVT Woods, E. C.
PVT Gonzaleznoriega, D.	PFC Yeary, C. A.
PFC Green, B. F.	
PVT Guzman, Y. M.	
PFC Herzog, A. L.	
PVT Hicks, L. N.	
PVT Jimenezalto, L. G.	
PFC Johnsonbowers, C. A.	
PVT Killam, K. N.	
PVT Laplante, D. J.	
PFC Leach, G. A.	
PFC Lopezbaltazar, S. C.*	
PFC Lopezlebron, M.	
PFC Mann, H. J.	
PFC Montoya, O. E.	
PVT Ortiz, B. M.	
PFC Raliosperez, C.	
PVT Ramos, I. A.	
PFC Rodriguez, A. M.	
PVT Ruizperez, K.	

*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

PLATOON 2050

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt B. M. Le
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt I. A. Santos
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt R. A. Vazquez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt K. A. Yabut



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC D. T. Marks
 HOMETOWN.....Goode, VA
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Staton

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC M. R. Baysden (328)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Dixon

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....PFC A. Garcia Vasquez (587)

PVT Bailey, A. J.	PVT Jackson, L. G.
PVT Barrow Jr, B. D.	PVT Jimenezgonzalez, S. M.
PFC Baysden, M. R.*	PVT Jones, L. L.
PVT Beall, N. I.	PFC Juarez, L. J.
PFC Blackmon, D. A.	PVT Lane, J. S.
PVT Borey, D. R.	PVT Lanier Jr., M. R.*
PVT Bravo, I.	PFC Lopez, J. C.
PFC Cannon, S. A.*	PVT Lowrey II, A. G.
PVT Caracanas, S. L.	PVT Manning, M. B.
PVT Cardenas, E. S.	PFC Marks, D. T.
PFC Chandler, J. A.	PFC Martinezcabrera, F.
PVT Charles, D. W.	PFC Miller, A. C.
PVT Corey, J. B.	PFC Moore, E. L.
PVT Cruz Jr., V. J.	PVT Murphy, A.
PVT Cummings, A. W.	PVT Murray, Z. G.
PFC Denning Jr, S. L.	PVT Nava, A. H.
PVT Diaz, J. C.	PVT Palacios, A. J.
PVT Dyer, D. T.	PFC Poore, D. J.
PVT Edwards, N. W.	PFC Price, B. C.
PVT Elizaldesalinas, O.	PFC Rodriguezfigueroa, J. D.
PFC Francisco, D. F.	PVT RuizPerez, E.
PVT Frederick, J. C.	PFC Sanders, K. C.
PFC Gaffney, J. J.	PFC Santiagocarrera, J. A.
PFC Gaffneycarter, D. M.	PVT Sheffield, N. R.
PVT Gallegosromero, A. I.	PVT Symons, P. G.
PVT Garcia, R. R.	PFC Taylor, M. A.
PFC GarciaVazquez, A. *	PFC Toe, K.
PFC Geske, R. J.	PFC Topodas, H. G.
PFC Gregory, B. R	PVT Torres, J. A.
PFC Hackl, S. W.	PFC Venhorst, N. R.
PVT Hammond, A. K.	PVT Voyles, A. C.
PVT Hernandezgarcia, C.	PVT Williams, A. J.
PVT Hipes, T. J.	PVT Woodvine, C. M.
PVT Houran, B. A.	
PVT Hughes X. T.	
PVT Ilunga, V. M.	

PLATOON 2052

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. C. Eaton
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt A. S. Chaucer
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt B. J. Froio
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt X. Perez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. M. Stenerson



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC A. J. Maxwell
HOMETOWN.....Lakewood, OH
RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Nerli

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT E. M. Diehl (327)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Howman

PLATOON HIGH PFT/CFT.....PVT Locke, Noah D. (558)

PVT Bonk, J. M.	PVT McDougal, G. T.
PVT Braden, M. L.	PVT McGee, J. M.
PFC Breaux, I. L.	PVT Minor, N. G.
PVT Burr Jr., B. A.	PVT Mirocke, G. D.
PVT Capellan, I. R.	PVT Munir, A. A.
PVT Colbert, B. A.	PFC Nicholson, J. M.
PVT Combs, G. D.	PVT Popoca, B.
PFC Cox, W. H.	PFC Powell, G. W.
Pfc Delarosadiaz, J. A.	PVT Rai, D.
PFC Dermeyer Iv, D. D.	PFC Robbins, B. W.
PFC Diehl, E. M.*	PFC Sager, R. J.
PVT Dishman, J. W.	PVT Salasmondragon, F. J.
PFC Dosunmu, M. K.	PFC Saldana Jr., B. M.
PFC Figlow, N. A.	PFC Schafer, M. L.
PVT Florek, J. P.	PVT Smith, G. D.
PVT Gialloreto, L. F.	PFC Smith, L. A.
PFC Gomez, J. A.	PVT Smith, M. K.
PVT Gomez, S.	PVT Spaniol, C. J.
PFC Goncalves, G. D.	PVT Theriot, C. M.
PVT Hernandez, J. M.	PFC Weber, A. J.
PVT Herod, K. L.	PVT Zeis, M. L.
PFC Hunter, D. A.*	
PVT James, L. A.	
PVT Jones, B. A.	
PFC Kalunga, K.	
PFC King, L. J.	
PVT Kmety, G. J.	
PFC Knicely, B. T.	
PFC Leger, D. A.	
PVT Leys, K.D.	
PFC Locke, N. D.*	
PVT Lopez, R. R.	
PFC Lynch, G. J.	
PFC Maxwell, A. J.*	
PVT McCoy, C. R.	

PLATOON 2053

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. V. Rodriguez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt L. H. Gomez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. T. Luke
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. M. Bonilla



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC J. H. Ellis
 HOMETOWN.....Rumbely, MD
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Arias

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC J. H. Ellis (323)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Vargas

COMPANY HIGH PFT/CFT.....PFC J. H. Ellis (592)

PFC Akadri, A. E.	PVT Mohammed, D. M.
PFC Bushong, G. D.	PVT Moralesflores, A.
PFC Castaneda, A.	PFC Muga, T. E.
PVT Chasteen, L. H.	PFC Mullen, B. P*.
PVT Chimbo, F. A.	PVT Murray, J. R.
PVT Clerjuste, E.	PVT Nyhof, J. M.
PVT Cruz, E. X.	PVT Offenberger, A. S.
PFC Dominguez, C. A.	PFC Quinonessantiago, L. A.
PVT Dukelow, C. H.	PVT Ratliff, J. E.
PVT Dunning, C. D.	PVT Reyes, J.
PFC Duskey, W. A.*	PVT Rodrigueznajera, A. M.
PFC Ellis, J. H.	PVT Ruiz, I. W.
PFC Flynn, N. J.*	PVT Russell, J. V.
PFC Gann, E. J.	PVT Russell, J. J.
PFC Gutierrez, M. A.	PVT Rutan, Z. T.
PFC Harnishfeger, B. R.	PVT Saxton, M. J.
PVT Henriquezmayana, A. W.	PVT Schmidt, I. J.
PFC Herreralabuena, A. A.	PVT Tapiaiglesias, J. A.
PFC Herron, K. C.	PVT Truong, J. M.
PVT Jensen, B. M.	PVT Valdes Jr, F.
PVT Jiang, J.	PVT Valdesosorio, D.
PVT Johns, J. T.	PVT Viloriasivira, I.
PFC Jones, B. T.	PVT Wellman, C. M.
PVT Keita, A.	PVT Wilhoite, L. J.
PFC King, P. T.	PFC Wiltse, B. S.*
PVT Lalgudi, G. R.	PVT Zangri, E. S.
PVT Lama, J. M.	
PFC Lattanzi, K. E.	
PVT Lawrence, D. G.	
PVT Leonverdugo, J. C.	
PVT Lewis, M. J.	
PVT Luchini, A. R.	
PVT McGraw, A.	
PVT Miller, T. L.	
PVT Modglin, O. H.	

PLATOON 2054

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. T. McCormick
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. GalvanEstrada
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt R. P. Burgin
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt C. P. Mirailh
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt C. J. Walker



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC J. D. Thomas Jr.
 HOMETOWN.....Baton Rouge, LA
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Atwood

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT J. J. Cuevas (333)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Michael

COMPANY HIGH PFT/CFT.....PFC J. E. Harper (594)

PFC Abdullahi, A. A.*	PVT Lopez, M. V.
PVT Abubakar, A. H.	PFC Marreroarroyo, U.
PVT Ayoravasconez, F. T.	PFC May, D. J.
PVT Behrends, G. R.	PVT McBride, J. L.
PVT Benitez, J. A.	PVT Mccorkel, B. M.
PFC Bodkin, J. T.	PFC Mendozarajo, A.
PFC Brant, I. L.*	PVT Molinawallace, A. J.
PVT Brown, G. L.	PVT Montgomery, B. A.
PVT Chambers, C. R.	PVT Nguyen, L.
PVT Clark, J. A.	PVT Ortiz, I. A.
PVT Cuevas, J. J.	PVT Pappalardo, N. W.
PVT Delacruz, A. W.	PVT Riffe, V. L.
PVT Diaz Jr, E.	PVT Rojaschavez, T.
PVT Dye, M. A.	PVT Ryalls, H. C.
PVT Evans, J. D.	PVT Santosmatos, J. R.
PVT Fernandez, S. M.	PFC Simons, W. E.
PVT Fils, M. F.	PVT Smeal, R. J.
PVT Fox, A. W.	PFC Spence, J. D.
PVT Frolov, J.	PVT Steinkamp, A. N.
PFC Gallagher, S. J.	PVT Suarez, L. G.
PFC Galvan, J.	PFC Thomas Jr., J. D.*
PVT Greene Jr., S. D.	PFC Thuesen, W. F.
PVT Gregory, E. R.	PVT Tovarzavala, A.
PVT Guzman, M. E.	PVT Trinidad, A.
PFC Harper, J. E.	PFC Tzunvicente, H. E.
PVT Harrington III., D.	PFC Verdugo, R. J.*
PVT Harris, Q. D.	PFC Wade, J. R.
PVT Hawn, C. A.	PVT Wright, X. M.
PVT Hilty, P. A.	PVT Wu, J. D.
PFC Huguley, C. E.	
PVT Kim, C.	
PFC Kim, F. S.	
PVT Kimpel, J. A.	
PVT Knight, M. N.	
PVT Leggfritts, W. H.	



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

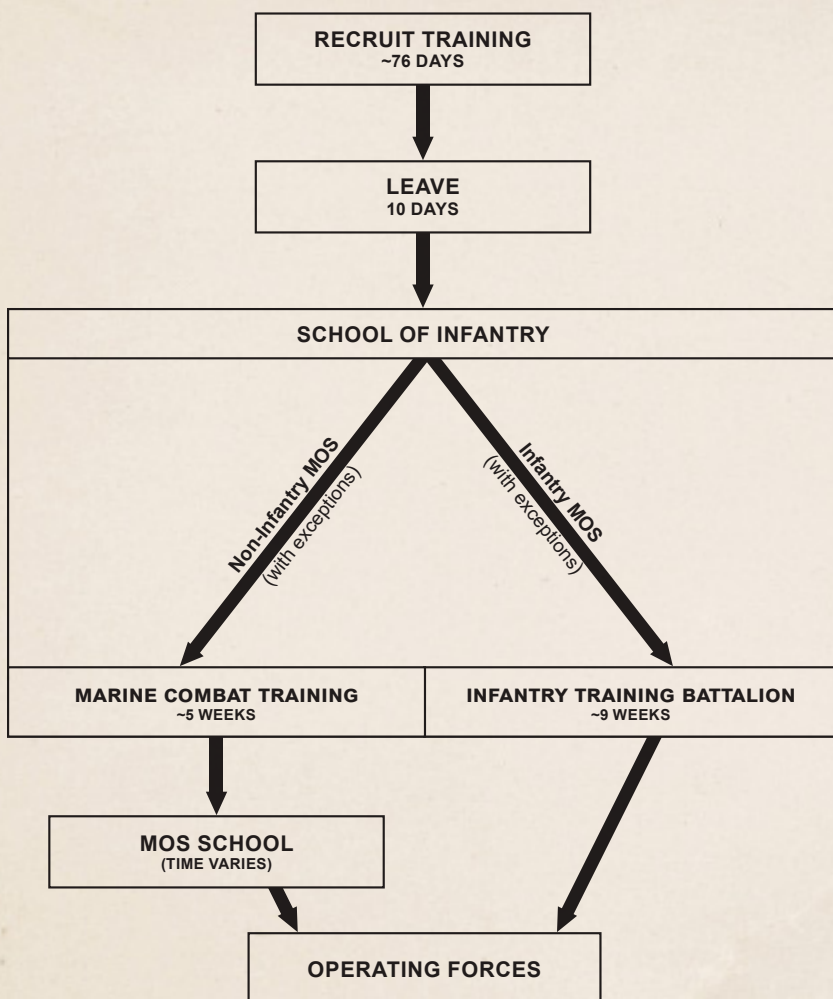
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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



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