



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

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OFFICERS' CENTER

COMMANDING OFFICER REMARKS

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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**

28 January 2022

Recruit Training Regiment

Commanding Officer.....Colonel B. W. Ward
Sergeant Major.....Sergeant Major K. S. Williamson

1st Recruit Training Battalion

Commanding Officer.....Lieutenant Colonel M. C. Rock
Sergeant Major.....Sergeant Major K. S. Williamson

4th Recruit Training Battalion

Commanding Officer.....Lieutenant Colonel A. R. Dones
Sergeant Major.....Sergeant Major S. A. Rivera

Commander of Troops

Captain B. A. Allman

Parade Adjutant

Captain M. S. Roseto

Company "B", 1st Recruit Training Battalion

Commanding Officer.....Captain B. A. Allman
Company First Sergeant.....First Sergeant M. D. Dike
Lead Series Commander.....Captain D. R. Durno
Follow Series Commander.....Captain C. J. Hamilton
Lead Series Chief Drill Instructor.....Gunnery Sergeant T. M. Moore
Follow Series Chief Drill Instructor.....Staff Sergeant T. L. Jones

Company "N", 4th Recruit Training Battalion

Company Commander.....Captain M. S. Roseto
Company First Sergeant.....Gunnery Sergeant K. D. Caffero
Series Commander.....Captian A. B. Cranford
Chief Drill Instructor.....Staff Sergeant K. M. Bonner

Drill Masters

Gunnery Sergeant I. Woods
Gunnery Sergeant M. Garcia
Staff Sergeant A. L. Velazquez

Chaplain

Lieutenant D. C. Ashley, USN
Lieutenant Junior Grade I. C. Clark

Color Guard

Sergeant D. J. Meabon	Sergeant R. R. Kennedy
Sergeant E. J. Daise	Sergeant J. V. Martinez

PLATOON 1008

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt V. D. Streater Jr.
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt C. B. Wadding
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt T. T. Dombrosky



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC D. C. Jernigan
HOMETOWN.....	Saint Simons Island, GA
RECRUITED BY.....	GySgt Warren

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC T. M. Pulzone (336)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Scheider

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	Pvt G. M. Haney (569)
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PFC Abel, D. M.	Pvt Odaly, C. S.
Pvt Ardillaaguilar, K.	Pvt Pablomartinez, J. L.
Pvt Coffey, H. L.	Pvt Petok, A. J.
Pvt Dalzell, D. L.	PFC Phillips, C. A.
PFC Edwards, S. M.	PFC Pulzone Jr., T. M.
PFC Ford, J. R.*	Pvt Ramirez, G. A.
PFC Gamboalfaro, B. I.	Pvt Raynor, C. G.
Pvt Gilliland, T. L.	PFC Richards, N. R.
Pvt Haney, G. M.	PFC Shook, I. M.
Pvt Harrell, A. N.	PFC Solano, B. G.
Pvt Harward, M. A.	PFC Stroup, A. C.*
PFC Hernandezmedrano, B.	PFC Taylor, A. L.
Pvt Hilliard, L. J.	Pvt Teakell, A. S.
Pvt Hornedodelvalle, K. M.	Pvt Thomas, Z. M.
PFC Hurt, J. T.	Pvt Torres Jr., V. M.
Pvt Jacintoservin, M. A.	PFC West, T. R.
Pvt Jensen, D. F.	Pvt Westbrook, C. K.
PFC Jernigan, D. C.*	Pvt Wiggins, D. D.
PFC Kenary, M. J.	Pvt Williford, E.D.
Pvt Koshowsky, U. S.	Pvt Wolfe, T. B.
Pvt Limamunguia, R.	Pvt Zaragozaosorio, O. B.
PFC Marshall, T. J.	
Pvt Martinez, E. M.	
Pvt McMillian, J. M.	
Pvt Moraenriquez, S. A.	
Pvt Morejonalfonso, D.	
Pvt Munozsandoval, G. A.	
PFC Nievesvazquez, A. M.	

*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

PLATOON 1009

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt C. Z. Clairmont
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt C. B. Posey
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt L. W. Underwood II
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt P. Martinezbatrez



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC J. A. Sassman
HOMETOWN.....	Moyock, NC
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt Santiago Jimenez

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC W. Winters (327)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Perez

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFC T. D. Najeeullah (584)
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PFC Bennett, J. M.	Pvt Mendez, A. M.
PFC Berschbrown, C. W.	Pvt Misirlakis, P. S.
Pvt Bjorklund, D. J.	PFC Mumy, B. P.
PFC Boswell, A. D.	PFC Najeeullah, T. D.
Pvt Burwell, C. S.	Pvt Navarro, A.
Pvt Campayo, K. D.	Pvt Nedby, E. G.
PFC Cannady, J. W.	PFC Quay, N. P.
PFC Coddington, A. E.	Pvt Racanelli Jr., J.
PFC Consoli, C. W.	PFC Ramirez mendoza, D.
Pvt Crump, J. L.	PFC Sassman, J. A.
PFC Dieye, E.	Pvt Shifflett, D. C.
Pvt Difulvio Jr., D. W.	Pvt Smith, E. T.
Pvt Drea, N. M.	Pvt Strickland, Z. K.
Pvt Edmonson, C. W.	Pvt Thomas, D. M.
PFC Etier, N. J.	PFC Torbin, N.*
Pvt Fusco, J. N.	PFC Torres, R. J.
PFC Gichengo, C. S.	PFC Tsen, L. T.
PFC Harmon, R. F.*	Pvt Upchurch, E. W.
PFC Harris, C. N.	Pvt Venanciovictoriano, A.
Pvt Hatcher, D. J.	PFC Villegas, J. C.
PFC Hathaway, L. N.	PFC Wagner, A. J.*
Pvt Heisner, W. A.	PFC Williams, T. T.
Pvt Kitchens, K. T.	PFC Williamson, M. J.
Pvt Lin, J.	Pvt Wilson, T. P.
PFC Lit, I. J.	PFC Winters, W.
Pvt Lopezvalledo, K.	Pvt Woods, D. M.
Pvt McGill, G. M.	PFC Zapataaguilar, E.
Pvt Memolo, E. M.	

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PLATOON 1010

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt B. L. Corral
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt M. Lopez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt K. D. Gadson
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt K. A. Lee



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC J. F. Kramer
HOMETOWN.....	Charleston, WV
RECRUITED BY.....	Sgt Hoover

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	Pvt L. A. Nkamanyang (330)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Moreno

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFC D. Blakely (578)
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Pvt Altamirano, M. A.	Pvt Leduc, C. M.
Pvt Antunezgarcia, R.	Pvt Lewis, Z. L.
Pvt Arnold, E. T.	PFC Liggett, C. D.
PFC Blakely, D. L.*	Pvt Lunasalvador, C.
Pvt Breniz, B.	PFC Martin, W. G.*
Pvt Canales, A. C.	Pvt Mendezdelvalle, R. E.
Pvt Canamore, C. M.	Pvt Milianta, M. J.
Pvt Carter, T. T.	PFC Newman, D. J.
PFC Catmull, S. F.	Pvt Nkamanyang, L. A.
Pvt Cileli, H. Y.	PFC Okoli, P. A.
Pvt Corley, G. S.	Pvt Padillasantiago, A.
PFC Daniels, R. A.	PFC Parker, L. T.
PFC Dial, G. B.	PFC Payne, D. D.
Pvt Dove, J. R.	PFC Piedra Jr., L. J.
Pvt Escobedo Jr., D.	Pvt Ponds, L. S.
Pvt Espinal, O. O.	Pvt Powers, C. M.
Pvt Gent, A. M.	PFC Richardson, L. J.
PFC Hernandez, C. X.*	Pvt Sanchezsalinas, S. G.
Pvt Hernandezalvarez, A. L.	Pvt Savoie, A. L.
Pvt Horton Jr., A. J.	Pvt Smith, J. Z.
PFC Ireland, J. G.	Pvt Steinriede, J. J.
Pvt Kersey, D. H.	Pvt Sturgill, C. L.
PFC Khanlian, A. G.	Pvt Swindall, A. M.
Pvt Korb, J. H.	PFC Teryek, N. A.
PFC Kramer, J. F.*	Pvt Welch, J. I.
Pvt Lass, A. F.	Pvt Zagacki, E.T.

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PLATOON 1012

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt B. Guzman
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt N. L. Bagaoisan
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt R. W. McNew
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt K. A. Strom



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC D. X. Simmons
HOMETOWN.....	King George, VA
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt Snivley

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC D. X. Simmons (336)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Sam

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFC M. E. Silva (581)
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PFC Accardi, M. T.	PFC Mitchell, R. S.
Pvt Acharya, K.	PFC Morgano, M. J.
PFC Awodele, A. J.	Pvt Nagel, A. M.
Pvt Ayluardo, A. E.	Pvt Nnaemeka, Z. C.
PFC Baker II, D. R.	Pvt Orellanaleon, J. M.
Pvt Binet, A. T.	Pvt Perez, J. E.
Pvt Blair, D. S.	Pvt Perozamartinez, M. A.
PFC Blythe, J. A.	Pvt Pitts, D. H.
Pvt Brenner, T. R.	PFC Romano, C. J.
PFC Carter, D. L.	PFC Rudolph, L. K.
Pvt Conroy, G. M.	PFC Silva, M. E.*
Pvt Cruzmartinez, A.	PFC Simmons, D. X.*
PFC Degraw, Z. W.	Pvt Spaulding, C. J.
PFC Dilworthdean, W. D.	Pvt Spicher, K. S.
Pvt Franciscopedro, M.	Pvt Spirnock, T. J.
Pvt Galan, M. R.	Pvt Tanouye, D. J.
Pvt Gomez, E. G.	PFC Tejada, O. E.
Pvt Gonsher, T. A.	Pvt Thompson, K. E.
Pvt Hernandezrovira, K. A.	PFC Torotroncoso, B. C.
Pvt Herrera, M. I.	Pvt Trejo, N. R.
PFC Jimenezguerrero, J. J.*	Pvt Vaquerocalixto, M. D.
Pvt Jimenezpenagos, B. S.	Pvt Wellington, P. W.
Pvt Klingensmith, K. E.	Pvt Williams Jr., D. G.
Pvt Korimodei, S. T.	PFC Zamora, J.
PFC Lopezguevara, J. M.*	
Pvt Marin, C. A.	
Pvt Mathieu Jr., C.	
PFC McKenna, K. P.	

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PLATOON 1013

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt N. I. Sanchez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt C. A. Katembo
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt R. G. Montes
DRILLINSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt J. Muratallagutierrez



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....	Pvt B. D. Smith
HOMETOWN.....	Slidell, LA
RECRUITED BY.....	Sgt Williams

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	Pvt J. J. Kitka (333)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Guest

COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	Pvt J. H. Reilly (596)
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Pvt Animas, C. J.	PFC Ogando, J.*
Pvt Bell Jr., M. D.	Pvt Perezbatista, J. S.
Pvt Brennan, I. P.	Pvt Pethtel Jr., T. R.
Pvt Burgos, J.	Pvt Ramjit, A. P.
Pvt Carridice, A. D.	Pvt Reilly, J. H.
PFC Carson, C. D.	Pvt Riggio, P. M.
Pvt Cybulski, D. C.	PFC Roberts, J. J.
Pvt Daugherty, E. C.	Pvt Robison, A. J.
Pvt Delagarde Jr., D. D.	Pvt Roehl, L. I.
PFC Duran, K. E.*	PFC Rogers, D. J.
Pvt Emonds, C. J.	Pvt Rosalesmelendez, M. S.
PFC Gallego Jr., J. M.	Pvt Schultz, M. A.
Pvt Gardenier, C. J.	Pvt Smith, B. D.*
PFC Graf, Z. J.*	Pvt Smithnino, A.
Pvt Gunnoud, N. J.	Pvt Spain, F. L.
Pvt Hardy, I. D.	PFC Stage, E. M.
Pvt Hayden, I. P.	PFC Stranz Jr., B. A.
PFC Jordanquiroga, D. A.	Pvt Thomas, D. L.
Pvt Kitka, J. J.	Pvt Underwood, H. D.
Pvt Kleinpeter, L. M.	Pvt Velasquezovalle, J. E.
Pvt Lasseter, D. L.	PFC Vidal, E. A.
Pvt Lew, K. A.	PFC Welch, S. A.
Pvt Mejiaaguzman, C. M.	
Pvt Montesramirez, J. D.	
PFC Moore Jr., A.	
Pvt Morris Jr., R. D.	
Pvt Neal, C. D.	
PFC Nunezmella, J.	

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PLATOON 1014

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt Y. Jeanbaptiste
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt I. R. Gomes
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt H. W. White
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt A. J. Bongiovanni
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt A. E. Gray



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC E. I. Jimenezpenaloza
HOMETOWN.....	Dunellen, NJ
RECRUITED BY.....	Sgt Bernal

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....	PFC E. I. Jimenezpenaloza (341)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Shanchez

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFC E. I. Jimenezpenaloza (596)
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PFC Bailey, B. S.	Pvt Mejia, E. J.
Pvt Begley, C. J.	Pvt Moreau, T. T.
Pvt Bolivaroliveros, D.	Pvt Nixon, L. R.
Pvt Brasseaux, K. M.	PFC Norris, J. J.
Pvt Burgosrodriguez, J.	PFC Nuss, T. J.
PFC Burnett, H. D.	Pvt Pecarie, S.
Pvt Calfy, J. W.	PFC Percy, A. F.
Pvt Campos, J.	PFC Riek, J. D.*
Pvt Chan, J.	Pvt Rodriguez Jr., Y.
PFC Chaney, B. Y.	Pvt Rowsey, B. M.
PFC Criswell, M. E.	PFC Santos, J. Y.
Pvt Deibler, K. G.	PFC Simmons, W. J.
Pvt Distasio, J. A.	PFC Stewart, L. P.
Pvt Espinal, A. A.	Pvt Tatem, M. H.
Pvt Espindola, J. M.	Pvt Varner, G. T.
Pvt Garciacruz, J. A.	Pvt Vasquez, E. T.
Pvt Graham, S. P.	Pvt Votedian, B. T.
PFC Herard, W. P.*	Pvt Wesley, B. J.
Pvt Hernandez, E. E.	PFC Zepedamartinez, B. A.
Pvt Izaguirreecheverria, J. A.	
Pvt Jean, E.	
PFC Jimenezpenaloza, E. I.*	
Pvt Lamdanski, N. S.	
Pvt Lopez, J.	
Pvt Lujares, B. G.	
Pvt Marsh, E. D.	
PFC Marshall, J. E.	
PFC Marshall, J. P.	

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PLATOON 4002

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR	SSgt C. J. Kronberger
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt Z. L. Velazquez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt M. I. Garcia
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt M. K. Smith



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC A. C. Leupold
HOMETOWN.....	Salem, OR
RECRUITED BY	SSgt Gouvea

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER	PFC H. P. Fox (331)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR	Sgt C. Day

COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFC A. C. Stimpson (600)
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Pvt Acostamartinez, N.	PFC Moreno, T. M.
PFC Bueno-Aguilar, L.*	PFC Olson, M. L.
PFC Caldwell, V. H.	Pvt Owens, B. K.
Pvt Cantoni, C. P.	Pvt Powell, N. T.
PFC Coffey, J. S.	PFC Ritter, S. M.
PFC Danclar, A. T.	Pvt Rodriguezluciano, L. I.
Pvt Deanda, G. K.	PFC Rose, V. S.
Pvt Deitz, D. N.	Pvt Roy, A. R.
Pvt Diazbarragan, R.	PFC Rucker, K. V.
Pvt Fellenz, C. L.	Pvt Staudt, B. D.
PFC Fox, H. P.*	PFC Stimpson, A. C.*
Pvt Garcia, R. M.	Pvt Veratuxpan, G. P.
Pvt Garcialopez, M. R.	PFC Wade, C. M.
Pvt Gonzalez, E. A.	
Pvt Hastings, M. A.	
Pvt Hester, K. J.	
Pvt Holden, A. D.	
PFC Junio, A.	
Pvt Kave, A. T.	
Pvt Landry, E. K.	
Pvt Lee, M. J.	
PFC Leupold, A. C.	
PFC Lopezwillis, A. H.	
PFC Maldonado, J. M.	
Pvt Martin, T. D.	
Pvt Martinez, Y. E.	
PFC Miller, S. E.	

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PLATOON 4003

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt C. M. Balbaloza
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt P. C. Diaz
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt M. L. Arambulajaime



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....	LCpl M. M. Jones
HOMETOWN	Fairbanks, AK
RECRUITED BY	GySgt Robinson

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER	PFC A. N. Bigsby (339)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR	Sgt T. A. Klein

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT	PFC M. L. Wallace (591)
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Pvt Anderson, K. A.	Pvt Pereda, A. M.
Pvt Anderson, S. R.	Pvt Perez, D. I.
Pvt Barahonavicencio, I. S.	PFC Puratep, P.
PFC Bigsby, A. N.	Pvt Reaux, A. R.
Pvt Brown, J. S.	Pvt Rodriguez, I. R.
PFC Campbell, A. M.	PFC Roe, A. C.*
Pvt Cavaghan, K. R.	Pvt Roman, D. C.
PFC Cocker, A. M.	PFC Rubio, T. M.
Pvt Diaz, S. F.	PFC Salinas, N. E.
PFC Esparza, C.	PFC Sequeira, T. I.
PFC Feltner, K. M.	Pvt Smith, K. M.
Pvt Gonzalezvalenciano, N. G.	Pvt Soto, S. L.
Pvt Hamms, M. D.	PFC Stclair, C. A.
PFC Hancock, B. M.	PFC Stephens, L. M.
Pvt Herrera, M.	PFC Sullins, A. T.
PFC Hoyle, V. M.	Pvt Swanson, C. S.
LCpl Jones, M. M.*	Pvt Thompson, N. C.
PFC Klassner, J. J.*	Pvt Vasquez, A.
PFC Koehl, K. C.	Pvt Vasquez, D. M.
PFC Laboy, A. R.	PFC Wade, T. A.
PFC Martin, M. L.	PFC Wallace, M. L.
Pvt Martinez, L. M.	Pvt Weeks, E. D.
Pvt Martinez, S. A.	Pvt Weidower, S. R.
Pvt Nguyen, S. A.	Pvt Wheeler, A. N.
Pvt Papa, C. L.	

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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

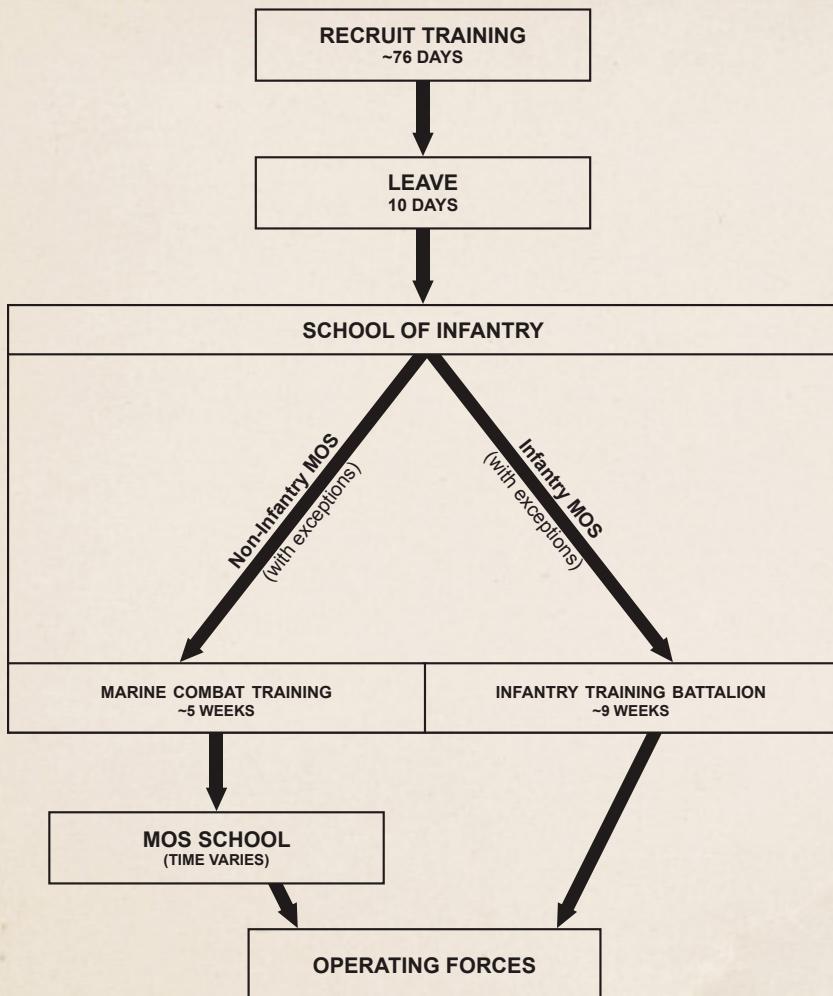
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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

A blurred, out-of-focus photograph showing the backs of several Marine Corps recruits in dark uniforms with red piping and gold buttons, standing in formation.

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