



UNITED STATES **MARINES**

GRADUATION CEREMONY
MCRD PARRIS ISLAND, SC

WELCOME TO MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT

PARRIS ISLAND

On behalf of the Commanding General, Marine Corps Recruit Depot and Eastern Recruiting Region, welcome to this morning's graduation ceremony. Today's graduates have earned the title "United States Marine" through hard work, perseverance, and personal sacrifice. While we recognize what they have accomplished, we must also recognize the role you played. Your support and encouragement sustained them, helping them realize their goal of becoming a Marine. Thank you, and welcome to our Marine Corps family!

You're undoubtedly aware that the Marine Corps and our country expect much of your Marine. They are now held to a higher standard; a standard rooted in our core values and embraced during their transformation from civilian to Marine. They have established a solid foundation that will allow them to face life's challenges with confidence, courage, and honor. They have been tested in recruit training and will face greater tests in the future.

This pamphlet provides a brief overview of our core values and the concept of transformation, and provides guidance useful during your new Marine's leave period and for reporting to their next assignment. Please review this information together. You will better understand what your Marine has done, and they will be better prepared for their next stage of training. If you have any questions your Marine cannot answer while home, please contact your local recruiter.

Thank you for entrusting us with your Marine. Together, we, the Marine Corps family, can keep our Marines focused on their mission and purpose. The result will be limitless potential for success in the Marine Corps and in life.

I hope you enjoy the remainder of your visit at Parris Island and will take time to tour our Recruit Depot with your Marine. Please accept my best wishes for a happy and safe return home for both you and your Marine.



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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 September 2022

Recruit Training Regiment

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Colonel B. W. Ward
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major F. Casillas

2nd Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Lieutenant Colonel C. J. Kearney
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major W. C. Carter

Commander of Troops

Captain N. A. Hartmann

Parade Adjutant

First Lieutenant V. N. Gamino

Company "E", 2nd Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....	Captain N. A. Hartmann
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....	First Sergeant R. F. Lark
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER.....	Captain J. L. Caraballo
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER.....	Captain A. K. Merrill
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Staff Sergeant J. C. Dominguez
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Staff Sergeant S. J. Pitcher

Drill Masters

Gunnery Sergeant T. M. Moore
Staff Sergeant E. T. Holt

Chaplain

Lieutenant A. McMillan

Color Guard

Sergeant A. M. Leon	Sergeant J. S. Lanier
Sergeant L. P. McDaniel	Sergeant A. I. Temese

PLATOON 2064

SENIOR DRILLINSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt M. J. Webb Jr.
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt W. H. Rivas
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt J. W. Schulte
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt B. D. Davis



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC W. D. Albritton
HOMETOWN.....	Stone Mountain, GA
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt Cross

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....	Pvt A. J. Kis (338)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Boudreau
PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFCA. R. Mills (582)

PFC Albritton, W. D.*	Pvt Kargbo, I. S.	PFC Talamantes Jr., R.
Pvt Alonso, E. G.	Pvt Kellison, A. J.	PFC Val, W.
Pvt Barrett, T. A.	Pvt Keshishian II, M. S.	
PFC Bell, T. H.	Pvt Kis, A. J.	
PFC Brooks, Z. A.	PFC Krebs, I. M.	
Pvt Brown, M. A.	PFC Lail, D. L.	
Pvt Campbell, J. D.	Pvt Litton, N. R.	
PFC Cerrato, J. D.*	PFC MakenseroMoleroux, A. J.	
PFC Cini, R. M.	PFC Mayall, T. M.	
PFC Davis, J. L.	PFC Mills, A. R.	
Pvt Delancey, C. V.	Pvt Montolio, S.	
Pvt Dewitt, J. E.	PFC Nagle, J. S.*	
Pvt Emch, L. D.	PFC Nugent, I. J.	
Pvt Fox, R. A.	Pvt Oates, E. W.	
PFC Garner, D. X.	PFC Olbrych, M. N.	
Pvt George, J. T.	PFC Page, C. J.	
PFC Gibbs, D. T.*	Pvt Parker, J. J.	
Pvt Gibson, G. R.	Pvt Paul, C. M.	
Pvt Goodwin Jr., D. T.	Pvt Pfeiffer, C. J.	
Pvt Grant, K. M.	Pvt Porter Jr., D. Z.	
Pvt Groves, M.	Pvt RamirezMendez, E.	
Pvt Guest, L. J.	PFC Reed Jr., K. L.	
Pvt Hinds, B. J.	PFC Reeves, T. K.	
Pvt Hulett, C. J.	PFC Resendiz, J. J.	
PFC Huynh, S. N.	Pvt Rodweller, R. L.	
Pvt Impello, A. R.	Pvt Rolader, W. G.	
Pvt InterialRomo, J. M.	Pvt Salinas, C. Y.	
Pvt Jacks, J. R.	Pvt SilvaMonteiro, E.	
PFC Jackson Jr., F. J.	Pvt Simmons, C. M.	
Pvt Jackson, T. E.	Pvt Sims, A. D.	
Pvt Jimenez, N. J.	Pvt Snyder Jr., C. W.	

*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

PLATOON 2065

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt I. H. Estopare
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt C. E. Powell
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt S. Plaskon
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt R. C. Kennedy



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC J. C. Figueroa
HOMETOWN.....	Kearney, NJ
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt JiminezRuiz

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER..... PFC I. J. Valdez (337)

MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR..... Sgt Holmes

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT..... PFC B. SalvadorGonzalez (581)

Pvt Ahmed, Z. A.	Pvt Martinez, S. J.
PFC Alexander, J. I.*	Pvt Mendoza, R. M.
PFC AlvarezReyes, A.	Pvt Milacek, E. S.
PFC Anacletus, L. C.*	Pvt Miller, P. E.
Pvt Anderson, K. K.	Pvt MoyaRosario, C.
Pvt ArandaCabezas, E. Y.	PFC Newsom, J. M.
Pvt Bailey, M. G.	PFC Padilla, A. G.
PFC Balderas Jr., L. G.	Pvt Parker, O. M.
Pvt Bapst A. M.	Pvt PerezRobledo, D.
PFC Barry, W. S.	Pvt Phillips, J. M.
PFC Brown, C. C.	Pvt Poles Jr., K. L.
PFC Chen, W.	Pvt Rai, P.
Pvt Clark, D. E.	PFC Rodriguez, K. E.
PFC Cohen, B. I.	Pvt RodriguezParker, T. J.
PFC Dyson, J. M.	PFC Roggiero, G. G.
PFC Figueroa, J. C.*	Pvt Russell, G. C.
Pvt Fiorentino III, M. A.	PFC SalvadorGonzalez, B.
Pvt Fowler, J. B.	Pvt Santos, S. M.
PFC Frazier, A. J. *	Pvt Saucedo Jr., V. M.
PFC Garcia Jr., L. G.	Pvt Sharpe, S. O.
Pvt Guzman, B. L.	Pvt Shi, Z.
Pvt Hilton, K. S.	Pvt Spindler, R. C.
PFC HodgeFernandez, Y.*	Pvt Thornton, T. D.
PFC HolquistMerica, C. J.	PFC Tzu, S.
Pvt Kennedy, R. J.	Pvt Urrutia, A. A.
Pvt Koo, Y.	PFC Valdez, I. J.
Pvt Lancaster, A. J.	Pvt Venezia, D. M.
Pvt Leger, M.	Pvt Wargo, P. E.
PFC LisboaDejesus, E. G.	PFC Winton, S. M.
Pvt LopezEscobar, C.	PFC Witte, H. J.
Pvt Lowe, C. R.	Pvt Worsham, K. M.
Pvt Mann A. K.	PFC Yglesias, C. C

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PLATOON 2066

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR	Sgt A. T. Sanchez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt A. E. Mazariego
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt S. C. Peligro
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt E. Tourigny



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC M. Castro
HOMETOWN.....	Bronx, NY
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt Bright

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	Pvt M. R. Larson (332)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Moreno
COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	Pvt M. K. Ceballos(597)

PFC AndradesSanchez, D. J.	Pvt GomezCastrejon, A. J.	Pvt Simpson, T. D.
PFC AvilaOrven, C. G.	PFC Gonzalez, A. R.	Pvt Smalls, S. C.
PFC Beall, M. D.	Pvt GonzalezSantiago, M. I.	PFC Smith, K. E.
PFC Black, T. M.	Pvt Green, J. D.	PFC Spakowski, J. A.
PFC BonillaRios, C.*	Pvt Harris, K. R.	PFC Spencer, R. M.
Pvt Browne, J. A.	Pvt Henderson, H. L.	Pvt Springstead, L. L.
Pvt Browne, M. Q.	Pvt Hernandez, J. A.	Pvt TapiaSantiago, A.
PFC Castro, M.*	Pvt HernandezRodriguez, N.	PFC Uy, S. G.
Pvt Ceballos, M. K.	Pvt Hicks, J. D.	Pvt ValenciaTamayo, A.
Pvt Celata, P. K.	PFC Hinton, M. E.	Pvt VasquezMontes, A.
PFC Ciego, J. E.	Pvt Jimenez, R. N.	PFC Vega, B. M.*
PFC Clauvis, J. A.	Pvt Kay, A. L.	PFC Yant, D. T.
PFC Cox, S. C.	Pvt LagardAsaenz, B. I.	Pvt Zapata, M. M.
PFC Cupps, M. E.	Pvt Larson, M. R.	Pvt Zarosly, J. E.
Pvt Cysewski, A. M.	Pvt LazaroMoran, D.	
Pvt Dabire, T. S.	Pvt LinWu, V.	
PFC Dates, E. C.	Pvt LopezNava, A.	
Pvt Davidson, E. F.	Pvt Marcum, T. L.	
Pvt DonisLima, N. A.	Pvt MendozaMedina, A. J.	
PFC Dudley, S. M.	Pvt Miranda, M. A.	
Pvt Durocher, D. M.	Pvt Moreau, K. L.	
Pvt Escobar, A. J.	Pvt Morris, B. R.	
Pvt EscobarEscobar, M.	Pvt Navarro, B.	
PFC Fickling, H. S.	PFC Nesbitt, R. B.	
Pvt Figueroa, E. A.	Pvt Parisaca, F. S.	
Pvt Finder, S. M.	Pvt Peina, J. R.	
PFC FloresMorales, K. E.	Pvt Powell, Z. B.	
Pvt Freeman, G. A.	PFC Rahlan, B.	
Pvt Garcia, A. C.	PFC Riley, N. M.	
PFC Garcia, K. C.	Pvt Rodriguez, A.	
PFC GildelVillar, A.*	Pvt Rosales, H. A.	
Pvt Glacken, A. F.	Pvt SantizGomez, N. B.	

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PLATOON 2068

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt C. J. RiveraNieves
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt C. J. Kollar
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt W. C. Gardner
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt J. S. Morales



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFCC C. D. Calhoun
HOMETOWN.....	Shreveport, LA
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt Diemry

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	Pvt M. K. Wells (333)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Schneider
PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	Pvt Duffy, Z. M. (572)

Pvt Angelotti, J. B.	Pvt Kays, K. J.
PFC Bruna, J. C.	Pvt Martinez, D.
Pvt Burdette, J. S.	Pvt McBride, C. D.
Pvt Burgess, C. H.	Pvt McCabe, J. T.
PFC Calhoun, C. D.	Pvt McKnight, M. N.
Pvt CaloViras, J. S.	Pvt Meese, T.
Pvt Caraballo, K. D.	Pvt Mendez, C.
Pvt Carter, D. A.	Pvt Mitchell, C. A.
PFC Chartier, D. D.	PFC Moua, C. R.
Pvt Chavez, D.	PFC MuleroRosado, J.
Pvt Clark, I. L.	PFC Neff, N. C.*
PFC Colon, M. A.*	PFC Netterville III, F. H.
Pvt Cook, W. L.	Pvt Nowell, D. A.
PFC Duffy, Z. M.*	Pvt Oshei II, K. B.
PFC Dugan, A. M.	Pvt Powers, N. K.
PFC Florio, C. J.	Pvt Robinson Jr., P. S.
Pvt Gaynor, Z. C.	Pvt Rose, T. S.
Pvt Geary, C. T.	Pvt Rubio, H. J.
PFC GomezLopez, J. O.	Pvt Schmitt, A. J.
PFC Graves, B. D.	Pvt Silvers, I. K.
PFC Gregory, B. I.	Pvt Simpson, E. R.
Pvt Griffith, J. T.	Pvt Thompson, D. A.
PFC Guimaraes, W. J.	Pvt Thousand, P. D.
Pvt Hammond, E. B.	PFC Thurman, J. A.*
PFC Hardin, W. H.	Pvt Valdes, J. G.
Pvt Hartwick, C. J.	Pvt Valencia, A.
Pvt Helena, D. S.	Pvt Velazquez, B.
Pvt Howard, J. W.	PFC Washington, J. T.
Pvt Jacques, N. C.	Pvt Weaver, Z. D.
PFC Jean, M.	Pvt Wells, M. K.
Pvt Jimenez, N. N.	Pvt Woolcock, D. M.
Pvt Johnson, R. L.	Pvt Wyatt, D. S.

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR	SSgt Y. Alvarez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt H. D. Kussman
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt T. R. Patrick
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt C. R. Magdaleno
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt P. J. Simonson



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFCA. E. Lott
HOMETOWN.....	Crofton, MD
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt Sims

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	.PFC S. A. Jones (337)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Sanchez
PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFCA. E. Lott (582)

Pvt AguilarVazquez, J. J.	Pvt Perez, I. J.
Pvt Alvarado, M.	Pvt Poisson, L. J.
PFC Austin, B. J.	Pvt Richards, W. A.
Pvt Bone Jr, D. L.	Pvt Riley, A. P.
PFC Brisson, R. O.*	Pvt Rosario Jr., D.
Pvt Brown, C. J.	Pvt RuizBarbosa, I. A.
Pvt Carney, Z. M.	Pvt Santiago, J.
Pvt Coulter, D. A.	Pvt Santos Jr., A.
PFC Critides III, S. D.	PFC Smallwood, B. J.*
Pvt Ditata, E. F.	PFC Spofford, T. K.
Pvt Dombrowski, J. A	Pvt Temple, C. M.
PFC Dulworth, G. L.	Pvt Thomas, A. T.
PFC Faircloth, B. A.	Pvt Thompson, S. E.
Pvt Friedman, M. L.	Pvt Thornton, M. R.
Pvt Johnson, J. J.	PFC Thornton, T. C.
PFC Jones, S. A.	Pvt Tizzard, C. M.
PFC Khonouta, S. S.	Pvt ToledoFlores, J. A.
Pvt Kujawski, N.	Pvt Tompkins, B. W.
Pvt Lawrence, J. J.	PFC Vance, M. J.*
PFC Leboeuf, Z. T.	PFC Vantine, G. S.
PFC Lewis, E. J.*	Pvt VasquezGuerra, L. S.
PFC Lott, A. E.*	Pvt VelazquezMorales, J. N.
Pvt Loyola, V. R.	Pvt Velez, I. A.
PFC MacConnachie, D. C.	Pvt Ventura, K. N.
Pvt Marroquin, J. A.	Pvt Walters, J. D.
Pvt Martinez, L.	Pvt Wespi, G. A.
Pvt Meadows, J. M.	Pvt Williams, C. M.
Pvt Medina, M. O.	PFC Williams, J. L.
PFC Nicholas, C. A.	Pvt Withrow, J. L.
PFC Okam, N. S.	Pvt Wroten, J. L.
PFC Pagnotto, J. R.	Pvt Zeigler, K. A.
PFC Parsons, T. A.	

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PLATOON 2070

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR	SSgt K. M. Moreno
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt A. M. Green
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	SSgt M. S. Altamirano
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt L. E. Poret



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....	PFC M. E. Diamond
HOMETOWN.....	Fontana, CA
RECRUITED BY.....	SSgt Odle

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....	Pvt K. F. Christopher (329)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....	Sgt Guest
PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....	PFC K. M. Robles (574)

Pvt AliceaPadilla, C. M.	Pvt Jackson, T. A.	Pvt Vaughn, J. L.
PFC Allen, E. R.	PFC Law, L. J.	PFC Whitcher, E. M.
Pvt Alvarado, Y. M.	Pvt Lemus, F. A.	PFC Williams, K. A.
Pvt Angeli, L. B.	PFC Lopez, A.	PFC Williams, T. M.
Pvt Archie, I. E.	Pvt Mata, C. D.	Pvt Yanu, P. T.
PFC Billiot, A. M.	Pvt Montano, E. A.	
PFC Blanding, D. J.	PFC MonteroEcheandia, S. M.	
Pvt Bravo, J.	PFC NajarroBriones, E. J.	
Pvt Calhoun, C. M.	PFC OrtizRivera, J. N.	
PFC Cambambia, S. N.	PFC Paden, F. N.	
Pvt Carreon, H. N.	Pvt Palacios, N. A.	
PFC Castaneda, K.	PFC Pleasant, J. N.	
PFC CastroParra, S. G.*	Pvt RamirezMata, A.	
Pvt ChavezJuarez, M.	PFC Ramos, A. S.	
Pvt Christopher, K. F.	Pvt RattanaGallegos, A.	
PFC Cooper, V. L.	PFC Rials, C. M.	
PFC Decena, A. D.	Pvt Rice, A. K.	
Pvt DellaMaggiora, E. P.	Pvt Rifenburg, A. E.	
PFC DelosSantos, K. A.	Pvt RiveraSanchez, J. A.	
PFC Diamond, M. E.*	Pvt Robin, A. N.	
Pvt Diaz, J.	Pvt Robles, K. M.	
Pvt Farias, J.	Pvt RodriguezColon, Y. E.	
Pvt Farmer, K. T.	PFC Romero, C.	
PFC Frazier, M. A.	PFC Ross, R. M.*	
PFC Fullam, E. N.	PFC Schadt, F. B.	
Pvt Garcia, R.	Pvt Shepherd, A. N.	
Pvt Green, R. E.	Pvt Snyder, S. E.	
Pvt Guzman, J. A.	Pvt Southwood, K. E.	
Pvt Hainaut, B. A.	PFC Sullivan, M. L.	
Pvt Hernandez, S. A.	Pvt TerriquezCastillo, R.	
Pvt Holt, A. C.	Pvt Vanderlaan, T. H.	
Pvt Hoppe, E. R.	Pvt VargasZamora, S.	

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MARINES' HYMN

From the halls of Montezuma,
To the shores of Tripoli;
We fight our country's battles
In the air, on land, and sea;
First to fight for right and freedom
And to keep our honor clean;
We are proud to claim the title
OF UNITED STATES MARINE.

Our flag's unfurled to every breeze
From dawn to setting sun;
We have fought in every clime and place
Where we could take a gun;
In the snow of far-off northern lands
And in sunny tropic scenes;
You will find us always on the job
THE UNITED STATES MARINES.

Here's health to you and to our Corps
Which we are proud to serve;
In many a strife we've fought for life
And have never lost our nerve;
If the Army and the Navy
Ever look on heaven's scenes;
They will find the streets are guarded
BY UNITED STATES MARINES.

TRANSFORMATION



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

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

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



THE TRANSFORMATION LIFECYCLE



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

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



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

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



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



U.S. MARINE CORPS CORE VALUES

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

HONOR

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

COURAGE

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

COMMITMENT

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

GUIDANCE FOR NEW MARINES

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

YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES

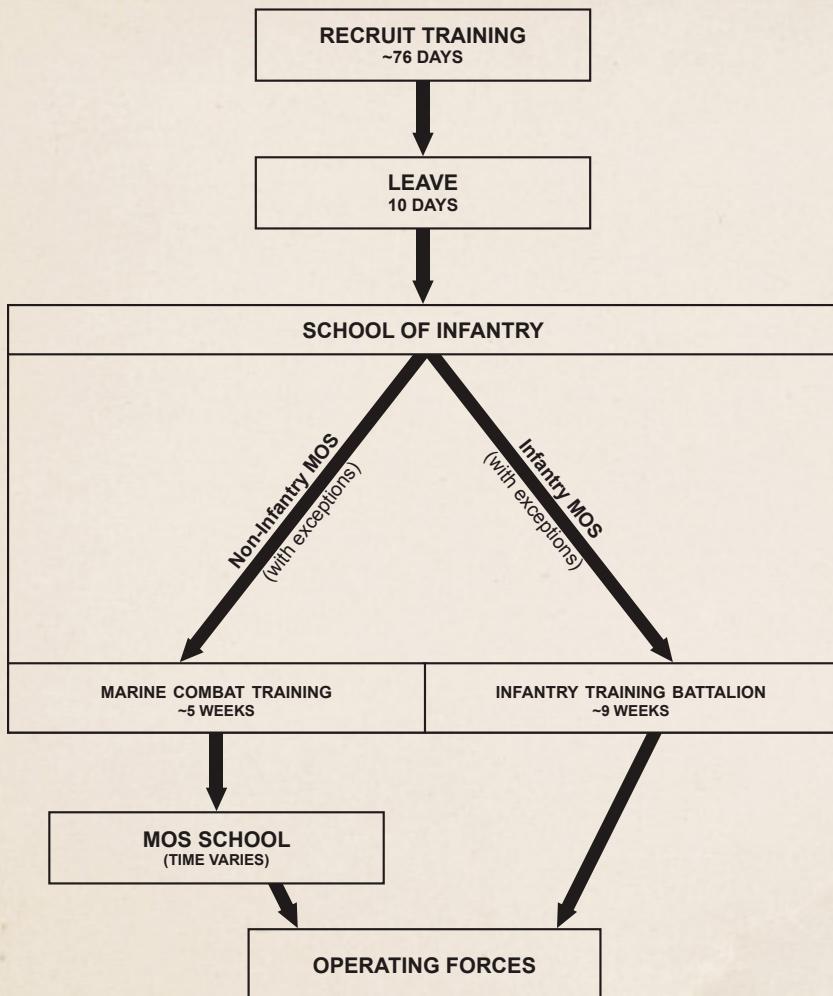
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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

MY EXPECTATIONS

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

ENTRY-LEVEL TRAINING OVERVIEW

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



MERITORIOUS PROMOTIONS

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

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

SCHOOL OF INFANTRY REPORTING INSTRUCTIONS

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



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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