



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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*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

9 September 2022

Recruit Training Regiment

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

3rd Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Lieutenant Colonel G. F. Curley
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major M. R. Brown

Commander of Troops

First Sergeant Jacob D. Godboldte

Parade Adjutant

Staff Sergeant Cory S. Williams

Company "M", 3rd Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Captain S. D. Evans
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....First Sergeant J. D. Godboldte
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER..... Captain D. A. Alvarez
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain T. D. Deckard
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Gunnery Sergeant J. M. Bratz
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Gunnery Sergeant D. A. Waterfield

Drill Master

Staff Sergeant E. B. Owrey

Chaplain

Lieutenant B. T. Johnson, USN

Color Guard

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

PLATOON 3056

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt E.J. Daise
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt E. A. Benitezortega



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC A. D. Walker
HOMETOWN.....Union, SC
RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Mullins

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC G. J. Sellers(336)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Neuville
PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC A. Mugisha (589)

Pvt Alexander, T. L.	Pvt Johnson, D. D.	PFC Starcher, G. D.
PFC Anderson, K. K. *	Pvt Johnson, T. H.	PFC Thrower, J. L.
Pvt Atkins, J. M.	Pvt Jordan, K. M.	Pvt Tilley, K. N.
PFC Awkal, O. I.	PFC Kinsler, J. A.	PFC Tollison, G. E.
PFC Barrett, E. D. *	PFC Lato, S. M.	PFC Tranquilinomendoza, B. *
PFC Bart, D. D.	PFC Leatherwood, J. O.	PFC Truong, U. H.
PFC Bianco, H. D.	PFC Ledezma, S. A.	Pvt Tyler, S. A.
Pvt Biddy, A. E.	Pvt Lee, L. K.	PFC Vanore, D. P.
PFC Bruder, C. J.	Pvt Lima, V.	PFC Walker, A. D.
Pvt Cartee, J. H.	PFC Lott, T.	PFC Walters Jr, L. M.
PFC Cervantesperez, O. A.	Pvt Maltba, N. T.	PFC Ward Jr, J. L.
Pvt Chams, N. M.	PFC Manning, J. M.	PFC Wilson, N. G.
Pvt Cisnerossilva, I.	Pvt Martinez, M. J.	
Pvt Clardy, I. G.	PFC McCaleb, V. L.	
Pvt Cole, D. L.	PFC McMurray, J. R.	
PFC Crabtree, J. H.	Pvt McMurray, J. A.	
PFC Crusecowart, M. T.	PFC Mejias, A.	
PFC Davis, C. D.	PFC Mercado, B. R.	
PFC Deas, G. R.	PFC Mugisha, A.	
PFC Dotson, A. G.	PFC Nichols, C. G. *	
PFC Durham, B. F. *	PFC Redmond, L. D.	
PFC Egan, D. D.	PFC Reyes, J.	
Pvt Estes, H. K.	Pvt Robinson, J. A.	
PFC Faile, D. M.	PFC Rodriguezmartinez, I. M.	
PFC Greer, J. E.	PFC Rodriguez, J. L.	
PFC Grier, Z. J.	PFC Rudolph, L. P.	
PFC Grogan, N. B.	PFC Ryder, J. R.	
PFC Hauss, D. J.	Pvt Salazarsolano, G.	
PFC Hernandez, J. I.	Pvt Sanders, Z. U.	
PFC Hurn, R. T.	PFC Schick, R. W.	
PFC Hurtado, D. A.	PFC Sellers, G. J.	
Pvt Johnson, A. H.	Pvt Sharp, M. J.	

*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

PLATOON 3057

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. R. Quiceno
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. A. Fleming
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt E. G. Lanier



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC Z. T. Hager
HOMETOWN.....Albany, GA
RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Murphy

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt J. E. Hickey (334)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Sackewitz
PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC S. Y. Cox (590)

PFC Aceves D. B
PFC Allen, J. E.
Pvt Baladi, A. S.
PFC Baldwin, W. M.
Pvt Banderas, V. G.
PFC Brown, D. N.
Pvt Brown, J. A.
PFC Cantave, E. A.
PFC Carpenter, T. T.
Pvt Cerratoayala, E. J.
PFC Clark, R. E.
Pvt Clawiter, M. L.
PFC Cox, S. Y.
Pvt Cribben, J. A.
Pvt Dale, D. C.
Pvt Davis, A. J.
Pvt Emma, J. C.
PFC Flowers, J. D.
PFC Fritzley, C. E.*
Pvt Giron, E. I.
PFC Goldberg, N. S.
Pvt Gunn, G. R.
PFC Hager, Z. T.
Pvt Hagler, M. L.
Pvt Hall, P. L.
Pvt Hamza, F. A.
Pvt Harvey, G. W.
PFC Hendrickson, J. N.
PFC Hickey, J. E.
PFC Holmes, I. L.
PFC Honeycutt, C. P.
Pvt Huff, R. L.

PFC Johnson, J. W.*
Pvt Joseph, I. T.
PFC Loyd, B. H.
PFC McAfee, A. J.
Pvt McFarland, J. L.
PFC Mejiabentez, L. E.
PFC Moretz, A. J.
PFC Navarromojica, J. J.
Pvt Neesmith, A. K.
PFC Nonnemacher, B. M.*
PFC Owens, D. C.
Pvt Owsley, L. D.
Pvt Pagecard, B. N.
Pvt Pannell, S. L.
PFC Parkbacevic, B.
PFC Perez, K.
Pvt Perez, P. A.
Pvt Ploof, W. T.
Pvt Powsner, N. K.
Pvt Prati, J. M.
PFC Ramos, J. D.
Pvt Rausch, D. M.
Pvt Renkema, A. Z.
PFC Roman, A.
Pvt Sargent, B. A.
PFC Saxer, C. D.*
Pvt Sealyhinds, E. D.
PFC Shields, B. C.
PFC Sparks, A. E.
Pvt Stone, S. L.
Pvt Taylor, D. R.
Pvt Thetford, T. J.

PFC Walton, J. M.
Pvt Watson, S. C.
Pvt Wickings, C. W.
PFC Williams, S. L.
PFC Williams, J. T.
Pvt Winner, B. M.
Pvt Zagazeta, J. E.

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PLATOON 3058

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt G. A Gonzalez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt A. Mondragon
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt J. R. Muniz
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. A. Valdes



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC L. J. Callahan
 HOMETOWN.....Auburn, AL
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Awde

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt A. R. Conner (338)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Smith
 COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC S. M. Lebbano (582)

Pvt Addington, G. J.	Pvt Hunt, M. D.	PFC Simone, L. V. *
PFC Akers, I. J.	PFC Kashira, U. B.	PFC Topping, A. R.
PFC Albizu, C. J.	Pvt Kirby, G. E.	PFC Unkle, K. M.
PFC Allen, E. R.	Pvt Kuchenbrod, C. M.	Pvt Wheeler, K. D.
Pvt Allen, M. A.	PFC Lebbano Jr, S. M.	Pvt Worley, J. J.
Pvt Alves, M. D.	PFC Lewis, J. R.	Pvt Ziegler, G. A.
Pvt Baker, G. J.	Pvt Maclin, J. M.	
PFC Booker Jr, J. D.	Pvt Lopez, A. A.	
Pvt Bowling, A. L.	PFC Marc, C.	
Pvt Byerly, E. J.	Pvt Martinez, C. A.	
Pvt Caillouet, C. P.	PFC Maurice, C. R.	
PFC Callahan, L. J. *	PFC McGarry, R. R.	
Pvt Cervellera, M. J.	Pvt Mendezgonzalez, K. A.	
PFC Conner, A. R.	Pvt Miller, C. L.	
PFC Corbin, J. C.	PFC Misner, Q. N.	
PFC Creighton, T. L. *	PFC Morgan Jr, W. J.	
Pvt Daszkowski, C. J.	Pvt Mowad, M. J.	
PFC Dejevongsa, J. M.	Pvt Norman, L. C.	
PFC Davis, K. A.	PFC Ortiz, J. A.	
PFC Donaldson, M. O.	Pvt Palmer, H. J.	
PFC Dooley, D. M. *	PFC Payne, N. J.	
Pvt Egli, R. A.	Pvt Pecynski, A. J.	
Pvt Elliott, D. M.	Pvt Pesta, A. J.	
Pvt Featherston, S. G.	PFC Pierre, D.	
Pvt Fell, E. G.	PFC Phippen, J. D.	
Pvt Fosnaugh, H. A.	Pvt Prioleau, T. T.	
PFC Garrison, J. R.	Pvt Romanmedina, J. O.	
PFC Gongorapalencue, D. M.	PFC Romeo IV, L. P.	
Pvt Gordon, M. R.	PFC Rytlewski, T. J.	
Pvt Harp, C. P.	Pvt Sanders, I. M.	
PFC Hiott, D. P.	PFC Scaggs, J. C.	
Pvt Hoven, H L.	Pvt Scott, C. D.	

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PLATOON 3060

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt WB. Ward
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt G. L. Shewbridge
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt E. R. Singletary
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt T. J. Hepp



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC J. E. McNally
 HOMETOWN.....Big Rapids, MI
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Reicher

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC Y. B. Reich (331)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt E. B. Perez
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC L.L. Damazio (600)

PFC Aguilar, M. E.
 PFC Aquinobrea, C. R.
 PFC Arana, A. J.
 Pvt Arceo, D. A.
 Pvt Bayles, M. F.
 Pvt Becker, J. L.
 Pvt Bell, C. C.
 Pvt Benitezurquia, J. M.
 PFC Boyd, T. K.
 PFC Brown Jr, E. T. *
 PFC Burns, S. A.
 PFC Cabrera, A. G.
 Pvt Cate, E. J.
 Pvt Cecil, W. H.
 Pvt Cercy, X. L.
 Pvt Colburn, J. D.
 Pvt Collazo, R. A.
 PFC Damazio, L. L. *
 PFC Dempsey Jr, R. E.
 Pvt Dibona, C. M.
 Pvt Dyer, J. L.
 Pvt Edenfield, H. L.
 Pvt English, H. S.
 Pvt Etienne, F.
 Pvt Everhart, T. J.
 Pvt Fairbrother, C. A.
 PFC Fowler, C. M.
 PFC Gildelacruz, F. A.
 PFC Gregoire, R. W.
 PFC Gregory, J. H.
 Pvt Harden, B. P.
 Pvt Harris, E. M.

Pvt Haskett, D. R.
 Pvt Hichos, K. F.
 Pvt Hochsprung, K. O.
 PFC Illanes, C. A.
 Pvt Jenkins, N. B.
 PFC Jones, O. S.
 Pvt Jordan, A. T.
 Pvt Leighton, A. O.
 PFC Lindsay, C. M.
 PFC Madrid Jr, J. L.
 Pvt Martin, B. A.
 PFC Maynard, D. D.
 Pvt McCafferty, R. C.
 PFC McNally, J. E. *
 PFC Nguyen, R. H.
 PFC Ortega, B.
 Pvt Peebles, A. D.
 Pvt Porter, A. A.
 Pvt Pugh, J. H.
 PFC Regenhardt, K. B.
 PFC Reich, Y. B.
 Pvt Rothstein, A. B.
 PFC Sanders, N. L.
 Pvt Sanoguet, E. M.
 PFC Santanaamezcua, A.
 PFC Santiagomoraes, G. D.
 Pvt Santos, J. S.
 PFC Scali, M. F.
 Pvt Seavey, E. A.
 PFC Silvarios, L. A.
 PFC Smith, B. F.
 Pvt Smith, C. N.

PFC Smith, J. G.
 Pvt Spinney, J. N.
 Pvt Torresatlixqueno, K.
 PFC Tran, S.
 Pvt Valdezolivares, L. M.
 Pvt Vealey, C. W.
 PFC Vegavalls, J. M.
 Pvt Wendt, A. R.
 PFC Wood, W. M.
 PFC Wright, A. R.
 Pvt Wright, J. L.

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PLATOON 3061

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt N. C. Moffett
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. A. Sanchez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt B. L. Swift
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt S. T. Rudock



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC A. A. Bangura
 HOMETOWN.....Germantown, MD
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Lin

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt J. R. Wilbanks (338)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Roberts

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC M. D. Yatfernandez (599)

PFC Antoniocompos, V. E.	Pvt Hickey, T. P.	Pvt Sernick, R. J.
Pvt Ba, M. M.	Pvt Hurtadomichel, Y. E.	Pvt Serrano, A. E.
PFC Ba, M.*	PFC Hutchinson, J. A.	Pvt Shaw, D. L.
PFC Bangura, A. A. *	Pvt Iannucci, N. A.	Pvt Shearin, X. T.
Pvt Barnes, P. E.	PFC Jett, J. P.	PFC Socia, M. A.
Pvt Becker, E. R.	PFC Johnson, Z. P.	Pvt Taghap, J. L.
Pvt Billetdeaux, J. T.	Pvt Kalanish, J. T.	Pvt Vasquez, J.
Pvt Bodejas, R.	Pvt Kastner III, J. A.	Pvt Wade, M. D.
Pvt Bourdeau, K. C.	Pvt Kobusky, A. M.	Pvt Walters, N. L.
PFC Cadet, L. S.	Pvt Lan, C. B.	PFC Ward, K. L.
PFC Calise, M. R. *	PFC Leblanc Jr, M. D.	PFC Watson, O. R.
Pvt Champlin, O. M.	Pvt Lin, A.	Pvt Wilbanks, J. R.
Pvt Chautin, D. N.	Pvt Lopez, J. J.	PFC Wilson, T. D.
Pvt Chin, Y.	Pvt Lucero, J. D.	PFC Woods, L. P.
Pvt Cochran, M D.	Pvt Marks, A. J.	PFC Yatfernandez, M. D.*
Pvt Daggett, H. R.	PFC Martin, C. S.	Pvt Young, J. M.
Pvt Davis, R. J.	Pvt Mather, A. M.	Pvt Zeilinger, P. J.
Pvt Dawson, K. H.	Pvt Mendez, E. R.	
Pvt Doyle, R. J.	Pvt Morris, A. J.	
Pvt Drown, N. E.	PFC Nchinda, H. F.	
Pvt Fernandezestrella, A. J.	Pvt Newberry, T. J.	
PFC Fournier, I. D.	Pvt O'Brien, D. M.	
Pvt Fugate, T. M.	Pvt Ormsbee, G. N.	
PFC Garver, C. T.	PFC Pang, W. C.	
Pvt Garver, C. P.	Pvt Pattison Jr, A. T.	
Pvt Grant III, A. M.	Pvt Peterson, J. C.	
Pvt Gresham, J. A.	Pvt Ponjuan, D. E.	
Pvt Guinn, A. D.	Pvt Queen, R. M.	
Pvt Halliday, J. A.	Pvt Riggins, E. C.	
Pvt Harris, L. M..	Pvt Roberts, E.	
PFC Hedgepeth, M. B.	Pvt Robledo, A. L.	
Pvt Hernandez, A. R.	Pvt Rodriguezshipp, M. E.	

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PLATOON 3062

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt H. A. Brown
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt D. B. Jackson
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt E. Santibanez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. D. Acosta
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. T. Banuski



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC Trejo, E. A.
 HOMETOWN.....Long Island, NY
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Ramirez

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt J. A. Queinterolemus (331)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Edds

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC H. W. Carson (597)

Pvt Alleshouse, G. M.
 PFC Armstrong, J. M.
 PFC Avila, G. K.
 Pvt Baksh, Z. N.
 PFC Boyce, C. A.
 PFC Caldwell, N. A.
 PFC Carson, H. W. *
 PFC Castillo, E. S.
 Pvt Chrobak, M. J.
 PFC Dale, J. N. *
 Pvt Devette, L. O.
 Pvt Drog, J. D.
 Pvt Dunagin, A. B.
 Pvt Dyer, J. L.
 Pvt Ellis, D. L.
 Pvt Flores, E.
 PFC Frank, A. S.
 PFC Frost, C. M.
 Pvt Garber, K. B.
 Pvt Garciaabernal, J.
 Pvt Gerrard, A. S.
 PFC Gibson, L. M.
 PFC Gonzalezgonzalez, J. A.
 PFC Hernandez Jr, D.
 Pvt Horton, W. A.
 Pvt James, J. D.
 PFC Jeanlys, G.
 PFC Johnson, B. C.
 PFC Jones, B. A.
 Pvt Katanga, O. C.
 PFC Knight, M. A.
 PFC Macedo, C. G.

Pvt Mccauley, C. C.
 Pvt McGowan, S. D.
 PFC Mercado, N. G.
 PFC Mora, L.
 PFC Moralesperez, A. N.
 PFC Moser, J. R.
 Pvt Ninzima, J.
 PFC Ou, H.
 PFC Quinn, C. A.
 Pvt Quinterolemus, J. A.
 Pvt Radosti, C. L.
 PFC Ramirez, D. *
 PFC Rivera, J. N.
 Pvt Rodriguez, J. D.
 Pvt Romero, M. A.
 Pvt Ross, I. L.
 Pvt Ruizescalante, C.
 PFC Ruizramos, J. A.
 PFC Santiagocatala, P. J.
 PFC Saylor, B. A.
 PFC Schollian, T. G.
 Pvt Singleton, C. Z.
 Pvt Slaughter, R. C.
 Pvt Smith Jr, K. L.
 Pvt Smith, D. J.
 PFC Souza, J. T.
 Pvt Stark, A. D.
 PFC Tedder, T. B.
 Pvt Terron, P. J.
 PFC Trejo, E. A. *
 Pvt Trejosanchez, J. A.
 Pvt Ujhelyi, Z. J.

Pvt Vanburen, D. T.
 PFC Walters, J. Z.
 PFC Wang, L.
 PFC Werner, C. I.
 PFC Wilber, J. M.
 PFC Williams Jr, M. J. *
 Pvt Wilson, L. S.
 PFC Winterheimer, T. D.
 PFC Wittine, T. A.
 PFC Yackel, N. T.

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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

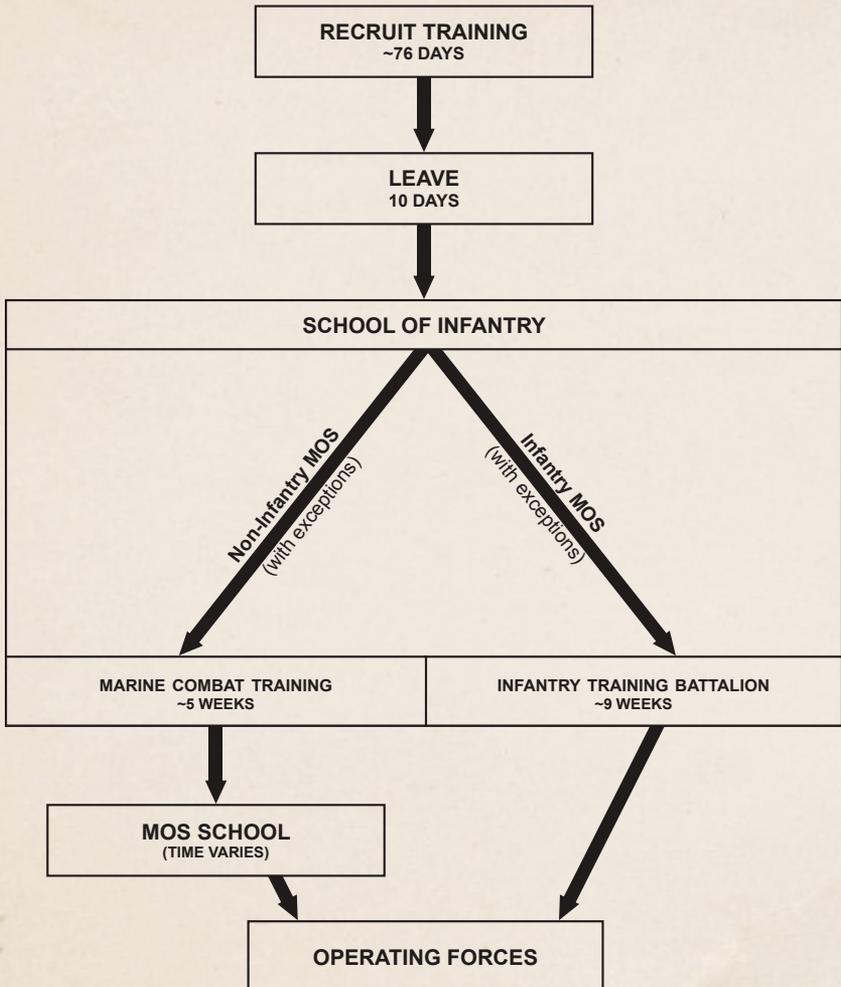
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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



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