



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

*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

21 December 2022

Recruit Training Regiment

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

4th Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Lieutenant Colonel A. R. Dones
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major J. D. Cuadro

Commander of Troops
First Sergeant P. J. Gartland

Parade Adjutant
SSgt M. N. Moreno

Company “O”, 4th Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Captain N. H. Paduda
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....First Sergeant P. J. Gartland
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain M. A. Molfetas
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER.....First Lieutenant M. N. McGrath
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant W. Hall
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant J. R. Trujillo

Drill Masters
Gunnery Sergeant T. Moore
Staff Sergeant C. D. Sanchezlaucer

Chaplain
Lieutenant I. C. Clark

Color Guard
Sergeant A. M. Leon Sergeant L. P. McDaniel
Sergeant G. A. Agustin Sergeant J. Nieves

PLATOON 4054

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt R. Tavarez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. S. Dade
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt A. J. Scruggs
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. H. Chavez



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC Ortiz , A. J.
 HOMETOWN.....Orlando, FL
 RECRUITED BY.....GySgt Tucker, A. D.

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt Woodburn, H. P. (338)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Swanson, B. J.

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt Salado, F. J. (585)

Pvt Aguilargonzalez, A.	Pvt Kalsnesmagee, J.	PFC Salado Jr., F. J.*
Pvt Auger, N. D.	Pvt Khamdy, E. M.	PFC Sullivan, T. J.
Pvt Babb, K. P.	Pvt Lasalle, A. L.	Pvt Torres, E. S.
PFC Ball, L. M.*	Pvt Lawrence, C. A.	PFC Torres, M. O.
PFC Balleto, L. G.	Pvt Lutze, J. L.	Pvt Vandermark, L. J.
Pvt Barrera, J. A.	Pvt Martinromero, J. J.	Pvt Watkins, D. A.
Pvt Bergman, B. J.	Pvt Mathis, J. A.	PFC Wheeler, C. B.
Pvt Bibianoruiz, N.	Pvt Mbye, M.	PFC White Jr., S. B.*
PFC Bickford, C. A.	Pvt Mendez, A. W.	Pvt White, A. K.
Pvt Butt, D. W.	Pvt Moralescabrera, J. E.	Pvt Whitehead, D. E.
PFC Byaruhanga, B.	Pvt Moralesvargas, B.	Pvt Woodburn, H. P.
Pvt Cardona, M. M.	PFC Morris, U. J.	
Pvt Carroll, C. R.	Pvt Musser, S. A.	
Pvt Cifuentesroblero, A.	Pvt Naylor, N. B.	
PFC Combs, B. M.	Pvt Olivo, J.	
Pvt Contrerasamador, J. A.	PFC Ortiz, A. J.	
PFC Delgado, M.	PFC Parrish, G. S.	
PFC Devaughn, M. S.	Pvt Pate, C. D.	
PFC Douangdara, J.	Pvt Peregrinaneri, A. E.	
Pvt Ellis, E. J.	PFC Perezsantiago, W.G.*	
Pvt Estrada, J.	Pvt Perry, W. A.	
PFC Floyd Jr., E. J.	Pvt Pimenta, V. P.	
Pvt Glover, Z. B.	PFC Rahlan, Y. K.	
Pvt Hall, C. A.	Pvt Ramos, B. O.	
Pvt Hamilton, M. J.	PFC Ramos, J. A.	
Pvt Hammock, R. P.	Pvt Reyesmunoz, A.	
PFC Hefferly, L. M.	PFC Richard Jr., J. C.	
Pvt Hernandezalvarenga, E. I.	Pvt Rock, D. W.	
Pvt Huff, W. J.	Pvt Rosadowalter, T. O.	
Pvt Huffman, P. J.	Pvt Roundtree, R. S.	
Pvt Jacobs, K. M.	Pvt Russum Jr., N. V.	
Pvt Juarez Jr., C. B.	Pvt Sadler, J. F.	

*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

PLATOON 4055

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt K. E. Juarez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt N. A. Choy
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt R. T. Huff
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt K. J. Soto



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....Pvt Glover, R. L.
HOMETOWN.....Atlanta, GA
RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Harris, R.

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt Clifton, A. (333)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Morrison, H. L.

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt Beavan, R. L. (578)

Pvt Allendanner, K. T.	Pvt Martelchonay, J. A.
PFC Antoninopascual, J.*	Pvt Murphy, A. L.
PFC Barker, L. C.	Pvt Nguyen, J.
Pvt Barnhart, G. A.	Pvt Parker, K. N.
PFC Beavan, R. L.*	Pvt Perezgarcia, G. F.
Pvt Black, A. R.	Pvt Sanchez, A. C.
Pvt Brooks, J. L.	PFC Sandoval, R. E.
PFC Calvert, K. C.	PFC Staton, H. L.
PFC Casanova, J. M.	PFC Tejada, S. B.
PFC Chandler, P. G.	Pvt Terrell, T. J.
Pvt Clifton, A.	Pvt Vasilakopoulos, A. M.
PFC Collier, S. E.	Pvt Younkin, A. N.
PFC Contreras, Y. L.	Pvt Zucco, M. E.
Pvt Cruzvasquez, D. I.	
PFC Draper, P. B.*	
Pvt Eskridge, S. A.	
Pvt Fellers, P. R.	
Pvt Givhans, J. K.	
PFC Glover, S. E.*	
PFC Griffin, E. C.	
Pvt Gruber, M. O.	
PFC Guist, I. S.	
Pvt Guzmanrodriguez, G. J.	
Pvt Hernandez, K. D.	
Pvt Hinojosa, J. S.	
Pvt Jackson, R. J.	
PFC Johnson, S. S.	
Pvt Kruashvili, F.	
PFC Kunkelmaus, S. M.	
Pvt Locke, S. K.	
Pvt Lopez, E.	
Pvt Makowski, C. R.	

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PLATOON 4056

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. J. McGill
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt H. J. Lavertue
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. C. Nieves
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt T. S. Thorne



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....Pvt Williams, K. S.
 HOMETOWN.....Richmond, VA
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Solorzano, C.

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt Storey, J. A. (337)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Holmes, S. A.

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT..... PFC Trotman, E. (592)

Pvt Adams, H. M.	PFC Howard, N. A.	Pvt Storey, J. A.
Pvt Barnett III, C. J.	Pvt Hudson, G. A.	Pvt Sturdivant, P.
PFC Benedetti, E. L.	PFC Hurst, D. S.	PFC Thompson, K. R.
Pvt Bumbalough, D. L.	Pvt Keyes, J. X.	PFC Trotman, E.
Pvt Cantrell, R. A.	Pvt Kinsley, R. W.	Pvt Tubach, J. P.
Pvt Carden, J. M.	PFC Konaniec, D. I.*	Pvt Turner, M. J.
Pvt Cashionbauer, J. W.	Pvt Lappert, J. H.	Pvt Velazquez, J. G.
Pvt Castro, D. C.	Pvt Lazaro, E. A.	PFC Warren, C. E.
PFC Chica, D. A.	PFC Maldonadoboria, M. I. J.	PFC Williams, K. S.*
Pvt Cox, T. R.	PFC Marshall, P. R.	Pvt Willmarth, C. R.
PFC Cruz, J. M.*	Pvt Mathew, C.	
Pvt Culbreath, A. C.	Pvt Mejiazabala, K. A.	
Pvt Cuna, J. C.	Pvt Millsaps, K. R.	
PFC Curtis, K. M.	PFC Morales, D.	
Pvt Delmonte, C. R.	Pvt Mullins, C. N.	
Pvt Dougherty, T. D.	Pvt Palmer, N. R.	
Pvt Duffy, M. C.	Pvt Parma, A. G.	
Pvt Dunovant Jr., S. E.	Pvt Ramjag, R. R.	
PFC Eberhard, R. R.	Pvt Rios, I.	
Pvt Edwards, T. B.	Pvt Robinson, G. A.	
Pvt Fahie, W. N.	Pvt Robles, A.	
PFC Gallardo, Z. A.	Pvt Ruiz, R. M.	
PFC Garner, D. E.	PFC Russell, M. C.	
Pvt Gibbs, D. J.	Pvt Salmons Jr., J. W.	
Pvt Gomez, J.	PFC Sanders, A. C.*	
Pvt Guillen, J. F.	PFC Simmons, K. J.	
Pvt Guzman Diaz, D. J.	Pvt Sio, G.	
Pvt Guzmangarcia, M. A.	PFC Smith, A. M.	
Pvt Hah, H. T.	Pvt Smith, C. D.	
Pvt Hendon, J. B.	Pvt Smith, D. B.	
Pvt Hicks, J. T.	PFC Snider IV, J. M.	
Pvt Hoover Jr., J. W.	Pvt Spraker, A. N.	

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PLATOON 4058

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. Morel
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt L. R. Martin
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt A. M. Wooldridge Jr.
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt E. H. Maisonetgomez



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC Carlisle, J. C.
 HOMETOWN.....Fayetteville, TN
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Haaland

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt Takersley, I. L. (342)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Sackewitz
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC Fowlkes Jr., A. L. (586)

Pvt Acevedo, D. L.	Pvt Htet, N. Y.	PFC Sewer, A. N.
PFC Alicea, X. B.	Pvt Hurlburt, T. O.	PFC Shirley, A. N.
Pvt Allbright, B. H.	Pvt Jacques, C. M.	PFC Sholtis, B. A.*
Pvt Amarante, C. D.	PFC Jeanpierre, W.	Pvt Solis, A.
PFC Ault, C. A.	Pvt Kolley, S. W.	Pvt Takersley, I. L.
PFC Babatunde, M. M.*	Pvt Landry, B. E.	Pvt Tilghman, J. M.
PFC Body, C. T.*	Pvt Lespier, L. J.	PFC Tineo, S. E.
Pvt Bogard, J. D.	PFC Levesque, Z. S.	Pvt Turner, G. W.
PFC Brunson Jr., S. S.*	Pvt Lewis, J. M.	PFC Vitrago, C.
Pvt Burkett, O. D.	PFC Licwinko, I. P.*	PFC Wells, S. B.
PFC Carlisle, J. C.	Pvt Lindley, A. J.	
PFC Carrero, E. N.*	PFC Manuel, B. A.	
PFC Carstensen, B. J.	Pvt Marah, N. M.	
Pvt Childers, A. T.	Pvt Marin, N. E.	
Pvt Christian, J. W.	Pvt Martinezdiaz, C. D.	
Pvt Corriveau, W.	Pvt Miller, A. D.	
Pvt Diaz, E.	Pvt Moralescassola, J. C.	
Pvt Diehl, C. J.	Pvt Netherton, J. S.	
Pvt Donovan, T. W.	Pvt Numa, C.	
PFC Elieadams, K. J.	PFC Ortiztorres, J. Y.	
Pvt Fajardo, K. R.	Pvt Pedersen, J. A.	
PFC Fowlkes Jr., A. L.	Pvt Perezsantos, Y. G.	
Pvt Frase, A. E.	Pvt Philibert, C.	
Pvt Frazier, D. S.	Pvt Pittman, J. M.	
Pvt Galvez, N. D.	Pvt Platabautista, R.	
Pvt Garrison, J. J.	Pvt Rivera, J.	
Pvt Gonzalezperez, G.	PFC Rodriguez Jr., C.*	
PFC Hernandezgonzalez, K. A.	Pvt Rodriguez, M. F.	
Pvt Hernandezzavala, J. L.	Pvt Rodriguez, M. E.	
Pvt Herrins, B. D.	PFC Rodriguezolmeda, A. J.	
Pvt Hicks, E. A.	Pvt Rogers, J. N.	
Pvt Hoey, S.	Pvt Ryan, A. M.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt D.H. McAdoo
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt I.E. Fowler
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt E. Iniguez
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt D. G. Higginbotham



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC Brockenborough Jr., C.
 HOMETOWN.....Largo, MD
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Perales, J.

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC Penatecampoverde, W. E. (333)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Moreno

COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC Brockenborough Jr., C. (600)

PFC Brockenborough Jr., C.*	Pvt LopezOchoa, D.	Pvt St. Louis, N.
Pvt Calle, H. J.	Pvt Martin, T. J.	PFC Sontheimer, L. K.
Pvt Charlton, T. D.	PFC Mcclanahan, J. C.	PFC Stlouis, N.
Pvt Cobelle, M. C.	Pvt Mcdonald, J. M.	Pvt Strawbridge, J.A.
Pvt Cole, K. M.	Pvt Mclune, K. C.	PFC Tkacz, A. P.
Pvt Cornell Jr., B. E.	Pvt Meigs, B. G.	Pvt Tomiuk, I.
Pvt Cramer, C. W.	Pvt Monk Jr., J. A.	Pvt Trimble, K. K.
PFC Crank J.	PFC Montijoortiz, A. S.	Pvt Washington, C.
Pvt Cruz, C.	Pvt Morris, T.	Pvt Williams, J. J.
PFC Cugini, M. A.	PFC Morsillo, A. J.	Pvt Wixon V V, F. A.
Pvt Duransantana, J. P.	PFC Navarro, J. F.	PFC Woods N. R.
Pvt Evans Jr., E. L.	Pvt Neumeyer, A. R.	
Pvt Ferdinand, C. E.	PFC Nita, J. C.	
Pvt Foss, Max C.	Pvt Noel Jr., J. A.	
Pvt Grier, D.	PFC Nunnelley, T. C.*	
Pvt Gonzalez Jr., A. M.	PFC Obrien, C. J.	
Pvt Guzman, N. A.	Pvt Ortiz, J.	
Pvt Halder, S.	PFC Osorioospina, C. J.	
PFC Hanna, D. A.	Pvt Pelletier, M. A.	
PFC Hardcastle, L. L.*	PFC Penatecampoverde, W. E.*	
Pvt Harris, M. J.	PFC Peyton, J. M.	
Pvt Heltonnelson, S. A.	Pvt Perez, N.	
Pvt Hollamon, J. L.	Pvt Pickett, E. T.	
Pvt Hudson, C. I.	Pvt Pintado, S. B.	
Pvt Islas, L. A.	Pvt Pollard, E. S.	
Pvt Iturriagaturpo, E.	Pvt Pruden, J. A.	
Pvt Jaramillo, J. J.	PFC Rao, G. C.	
Pvt Kakou, A.	Pvt Ritter, S. J.	
Pvt Lampin, J. W.	Pvt Salaeh, A.	
Pvt Liu, V.	Pvt Salinas, J. J.	
Pvt Lofton, S. C.	Pvt Savage, J. J.	
Pvt Lopez III, M. A.	Pvt Scarboro, J. A.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. A. Hamilton
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. A. Laudenslager
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. A. Taykowski
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. B. Kirk



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC Sullivan, A. E.
 HOMETOWN.....Loudoun Cty, VA
 RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Burton, D. M.

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt Sieger, J. D. (331)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Sanchez, G. A.
 PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt Weidman, J. C. (592)

Pvt Abundis Jr., M. A.	PFC Harley, D. M.*
Pvt Alan, V.	Pvt Illares, K. R.
Pvt Almazan, M. A.	Pvt Jeanbaptiste, J. A.
Pvt Alvarez, J. J.	PFC Johnson, A. W.*
Pvt Alvarezluis, C.	Pvt Juarez, A.
PFC Aristilde, W.*	PFC King, R. M.
Pvt Aritalarios, R. E.	Pvt Laurent Jr., M. J.
Pvt Bernard, R. D.	Pvt Leitzel, A. J.
Pvt Bishop, C. S.	Pvt Lockard, B. E.
PFC Bishop, J. A.*	Pvt Lukolic, R. O.
PFC Bixler, K. D.*	Pvt Malla, D. S.
Pvt Boggs, W.	Pvt McDonald, P. J.
Pvt Boso, D. L.	Pvt McLeod, P. R.
Pvt Botelloaenz, Y.	PFC Molligan, H. J.
Pvt Burruss, W. G.	Pvt Morales, J. W.
Pvt Chariyaruk, S.	PFC Morilloalevante, P. J.
Pvt Clark, N. R.	Pvt Muniz Jr., T.
PFC Cooper, A. J.	Pvt Niedzielski, A. E.
PFC Cooper, D. T.	Pvt Nieves, G. A.
Pvt Daniels, B. W.	Pvt Perno, S. M.
PFC Davis, B. X.	Pvt Quezada, J. P.
PFC Deiches, C. T.	Pvt Reed, Cole H.
PFC Diaz, J. A.*	PFC Reinfrank, A. J.*
PFC Duran, A. A.*	Pvt Reitmire, J. T.
Pvt Escotto, D.	Pvt Rivera, R. D.
Pvt Estevespupo, C. R.	Pvt Roberts, E. L.
Pvt Garciafalcon, E. A.	Pvt Rosa, W. L.
Pvt Genao, J. F.	Pvt Salazarpatino, J.
Pvt Giral dolambert, B. A.	Pvt Sattizahn, S. A.
PFC Golding, E. S.	Pvt Sisay, A. H.
Pvt Griggs, C. J.	Pvt Skaggs, U. D.
Pvt Guevara, J. A.	Pvt Smith, A. M.

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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

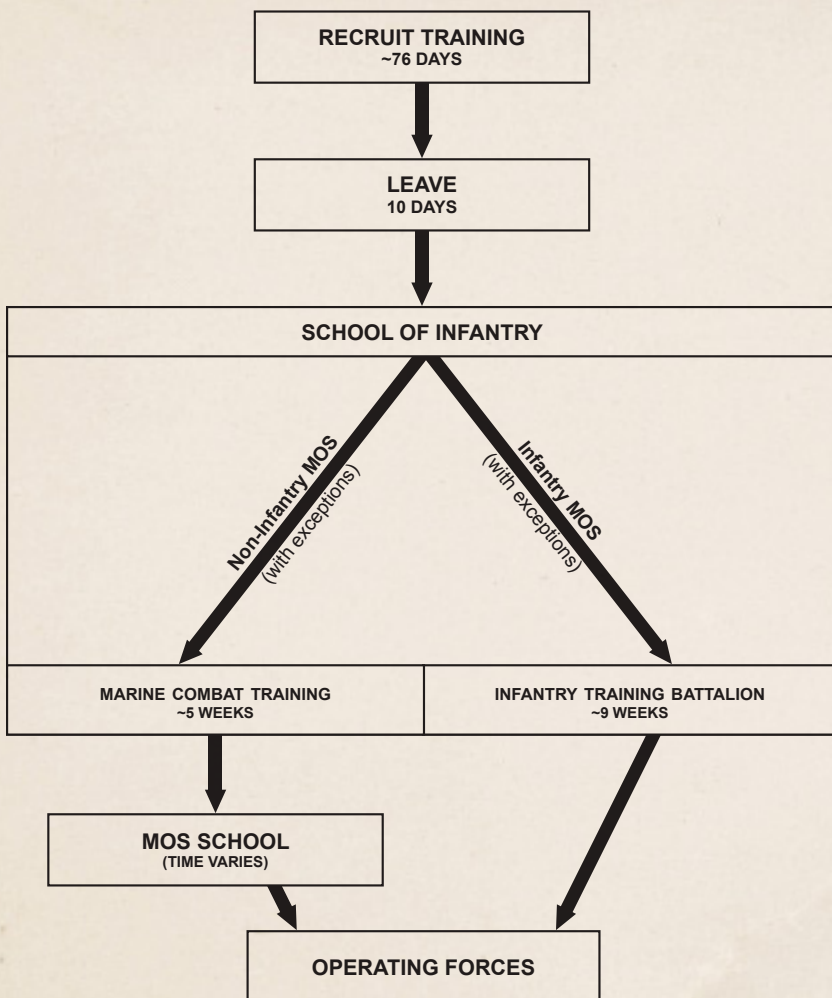
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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