

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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“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

1 Febuary 2019

Recruit Training Regiment

Commanding Officer Colonel J. M. Barnett
Sergeant Major Sergeant Major C. D. Thomas

1st Recruit Training Battalion

Commanding Officer Lieutenant Colonel D. J. Grabow
Sergeant Major Sergeant Major J.D. Dicosimo

Commander of Troops

Gunnery Sergeant B. T. Dao

Parade Adjutant

Staff Sergeant C. L. Aguilar

Company "D", 1st Recruit Training Battalion

Commanding Officer Captain E. B. Hunter
Company First Sergeant Gunnery Sergeant B. T. Dao
Lead Series Commander Captain D. N. Denoviolertola
Follow Series Commander Captain A. D. Mossgrove
Lead Series Chief Drill Instructor Gunnery Sergeant A. Velasco
Follow Series Chief Drill Instructor Gunnery Sergeant G. Dominguez

Drill Masters

Gunnery Sergeant C. E. Arguello
Staff Sergeant A. E. McHalek

Chaplain

Lieutenant N. C. Jones, USN

Color Guard

Sergeant K. A. Funk Sergeant H. Leal
Sergeant K. T. Bass Sergeant C. R. Rutherford

PLATOON 1008

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. R. Hicks
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. R. Muniz
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt C. R. Doyle



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE..... PFC E. A. Aguilerajohnson
HOMETOWN.....Asheboro, NC
RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Bailey

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER..... PFC J.C. Acebo (328)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Miller

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT..... PFC J.C. Acebo (570)

Pvt Acebo, J.C.*	PFC Kamara, A.N.	PFC Smith, H.S.
Pvt Adesokan, O.S.	PFC Knight, M.W.	Pvt Telfair, B.D.
PFC Aguilerajohnson, E.A.	Pvt Lazarte, B.R.	Pvt Tucker III, D.L.
PFC Baker, R.S.	Pvt Leggett, K.A.	Pvt Turpin, B.R.
PFC Beagle, T.S.	PFC Lo, S.C.	Pvt Vargas, P.R.
PFC Black, D.J.	Pvt Louis, J.E.	Pvt Waldroup, B.A.
Pvt Brittain, N.S.	PFC Mang, A.L.	Pvt Wells Jr., D.K.
PFC Brown, A.M.	PFC Marable, M.S.	Pvt West, C.R.
PFC Brown, J.T.	Pvt Markem, K.T.	Pvt Willis, M.J.
PFC Burns, C.R.	Pvt Martin Jr., A.K.	Pvt Yun, I.D.
PFC Bwerevu, M.	PFC Mathy, D.C.*	
Pvt Camposrivera, R.	Pvt Mcduffie, Z.Y.	
PFC Charfauros, J.A.	Pvt Mercer, D.B.	
Pvt Crocker, G.F.	Pvt Miller, B.C.	
Pvt Daley, S.A.*	Pvt Molina, O.	
Pvt Davis, R.D.	PFC Moore, V.I.	
Pvt Ferrer, E.M.	Pvt Murphy, D.R.	
PFC Ford, Z. L.	Pvt Nobles, J.W.	
Pvt Foster, M.A.	Pvt Paek, J.	
Pvt Gonzales, H.W.	Pvt Passaro, T. J.	
PFC Hagen, B.R.	Pvt Pearson, C.J.	
PFC Headrick III, D.R.	Pvt Pell, J.T.	
Pvt Hunter Jr., B.V.*	Pvt Perdue, D.S.	
Pvt Jett, J. D.	PFC Peterson, N.O.	
Pvt Johnson, A.H.	Pvt Rash, C.J.	
Pvt Johnson, B.L.	PFC Rossi Jr., R.M.	
Pvt Johnson Jr., J.R.	Pvt Salaam, B.E.	
Pvt Jones, M.D.	Pvt Sanders, T.T.	

*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

PLATOON 1009

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J.W. Speedy
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt D. Santos
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M.D. Friesen
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A.W. Monaco



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC L.T. Liam
 HOMETOWN.....Virginia Beach, VA
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt C. Fischenich

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC C.S. Przybylinski (336)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Tackett

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC L.J. Neff (585)

PFC Ahlers, P.H.	Pvt Hoehn IV, F.K.	Pvt Tejada, J.J.
Pvt Athanas, T.J.	Pvt Kuhn, C.R.	PFC Tucker, D.K.
Pvt Baldock, S.A.	PFC Lewallen, K.Z.	PFC Vovk, Z.I.*
Pvt Barber, A.N.	PFC Lewis, B.J.	PFC Vuksta, A.G.
Pvt Bejma, C.E.	PFC Lomano, T.P.	Pvt West, N.J.
PFC Bourgeois, R.A.	Pvt Lutz, N.W.	PFC White, C.A.
Pvt Chamberlain, N.J.	Pvt Marich, D.B.	PFC Williams, G.M.
Pvt Chappell, A.J.	Pvt Mojicamercao, J.A.	Pvt Wills, K.M.
Pvt Cordero, P.A.	Pvt Moore, J.T.	
Pvt Cox, A.R.	Pvt Morales Jr., F.	
Pvt Cruz, A.R.	Pvt Mraz, A.A.	
PFC Davis, T.J.*	Pvt Murrin, M.T.	
PFC Deakle, K.R.	PFC Neff, L.J.*	
Pvt Delgado, X.E.	Pvt Netherton, S.P.	
PFC Diaz, N	PFC Nettles, D.D.	
Pvt Dicapua, D.L.	Pvt Novomiranda, D.J.	
Pvt Donovan, G.R.	PFC Obrien, J.S.	
PFC Duell, LT.*	PFC Painter, G.L.	
Pvt Evans, N.D.	PFC Parris, V.K.	
Pvt Fondren, A.D.	Pvt Pasol, A.G.	
PFC Gaab, A.J.	PFC Przybylinski, C.S.*	
Pvt Gaddy, S.C.	PFC Rahrig II, T.D.	
Pvt Gansiam, R.R.	PFC Rincon, J.R.	
Pvt Gonzalez, O.J.	PFC Robinson, M.D.	
PFC Goripow, N.B.	PFC Scott, R.R.	
PFC Grant, N.J.	PFC Scott, Z.C.	
Pvt Grant, R.B.	PFC Shepherd, C.A.	
Pvt Hawk, A.G.	PFC Stayton, J.R.	

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PLATOON 1010

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt N.L. Robinson
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt N.A. Sangastiano
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt L.R. Padilla
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt R.D. Gawat



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC J. Hayward
HOMETOWN.....Boothwyn, PA
RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Doan

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC A.D. Agostini (328)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Velador

COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC J.P. Hayward (600)

Pvt Abrams II, R.C.	PFC Lambert, Z.R.	PFC Walkertrammell, I.A.
PFC Agostini, A.D.	Pvt Ledsome, R.A.	PFC Walsh, S.S.
Pvt Anderson, L. D.	Pvt Ligasan, J.I.	Pvt Ward, J.A.
PFC Anderson, T.A.	Pvt Lill, T.E.	PFC Westbrook, D.A.
PFC Anthony, N.L.	Pvt Lopata, A.S.	PFC Winkler, R.D.
Pvt Barnes, J.D.	PFC Lopez, M.E.	PFC Woodard, J.S.
Pvt Batson, P.I.	PFC Manning, S.J.	Pvt Wright, D.C.
PFC Bomani, C.T.	Pvt Murray, E.A.	PFC Yi, A.J
Pvt Boniface, M.T.	Pvt Norman IV, F.C.	
Pvt Cabreja, C.M.	Pvt Poirier, B.L.	
PFC Corris, S.P.	Pvt Potts, N.R.	
Pvt Cortesojas, D.S.	Pvt Price, G.M.	
PFC Cruz, I.	Pvt Reid, D.A.	
Pvt Dasilva, G.*	Pvt Robbins, H.H.	
PFC Davidson, R.J.	PFC Robinson Jr., W.N.	
PFC Foli, A.M.	Pvt Rodriguez Jr., G.	
Pvt Forrest, I.M.	Pvt Ross, A.C.	
Pvt Gagne, A.C.	PFC Sang, K.N.	
Pvt Giard, S.M.	Pvt Scott, N.W.	
Pvt Griffin, C.U.	Pvt Setterstrom, W.A.	
Pvt Hayward, J.P.*	Pvt Silver, D.M.	
Pvt Henry II, M.J.	PFC Simons, J.W.	
Pvt Hunt, J.A.	PFC Smith, A.T.	
Pvt Johnson, J.D.	Pvt Stitely, C.R.	
PFC Jones, J.M.	Pvt Szabo, B.M.	
Pvt Keim, K.K.	Pvt Theriault, J. R.*	
Pvt Kopp, L.X.	Pvt Thomas, C.R.*	
Pvt Kutek, C.F.	Pvt Vanskiver, N.A.	

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PLATOON 1012

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. Davis
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt X.A. Jordan
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt F.L. MoralesRamos



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC K. J. Becker
HOMETOWN.....Baton Rouge, LA
RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Krafjock

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC M.W. Telechea (323)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Pacheco

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt J.L. Hooker(585)

Pvt Aguilarortega, S.E.	Pvt Lainez, A.G.
Pvt Ahamed, A.	PFC Lansing, R.J.
PFC Amadorgalarza, J.J.	Pvt Leahy V, J.E.
PFC Amayaumana, M.N.	Pvt Legiste, D.D.
PFC Armada, A.J.	Pvt Lingenfelter, A.J.
Pvt Arteagaceleiro, B.	Pvt Lowell, P.D.
Pvt Atencio, K.R.	PFC Lukinovich, P.M.
Pvt Avilesmontes, M.A.	PFC Lyons, D.P.
PFC Becker, K.J.*	Pvt Meehan, J.C.
PFC Bloskko, S.	Pvt Nocera, A.F.
Pvt Bobeck, B.M.	PFC Oldham, G.W.
Pvt Chong, S.	Pvt Pham, P.V.
Pvt Cole, D.M.	PFC Platero, D.E.
PFC Cummins, C.A.	PFC Raines, C.E.
Pvt Deering, E.C.	Pvt Ramos II, E.J.
Pvt Dehner, J.M.	Pvt Rodriguezgarcia, A.J.
PFC Diaz Jr., A.	PFC Sanchez Jr., L.A.
Pvt Diaz, M.R.	PFC Santiagorosado, J.H.
PFC Duransalas Jr., R.	PFC Shelmet, Z.A.*
PFC Ensmingerbrown, J.H.	Pvt Shelton, R.A.
PFC Feblesburgos, E.L.	Pvt Smith, A.J.
Pvt Ferrerassavinon, C.M.	Pvt Sperling, J.R.
Pvt Fleitas, N.B.	PFC Teletchea, M.W.
Pvt Flores, B.M.	Pvt Turcios, A.
Pvt Fraustobecerra, M.M.	Pvt Vanderhoof, A.V.
PFC Fuentes, G.E.*	Pvt Vassell, J.R.
Pvt Jacobson, J.A.	Pvt Walrond, S.J.
PFC Kheraz, D.J.	PFC Walters Jr., E.E.*
Pvt Konarski, T.J.	

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PLATOON 1013

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt B. P. Arnone
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt E. Saintlouis
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt B.L. Southward
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt C.J. Rehder



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....LCpl K. L. Jones
HOMETOWN.....Gulfport, MS
RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Louissaint

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt H. Marshall (327)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Camelo

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt D. M. Rubreg (594)

Pvt Ahlstrom, A.M.	Pvt Keyes, J.D.	PFC Stewart, J.C.
Pvt Batista, J.	Pvt Lisi, L.D.	Pvt Thompson, E.W.
Pvt Benitezreyes, F.Y.	Pvt Marshall, H.M.	Pvt Trotter, R.R.
Pvt Blevins, D.M.	PFC Martinez, B.	Pvt Tyrrell, C.S.
PFC Brimhall, A.T.	Pvt Mazariegos, B.E.	PFC Vo, J.L.
Pvt Broussard, T.J. *	PFC McClain, N.R.	Pvt Walker, S.J.
Pvt Brown, T.L.	PFC McGann, K.J.	Pvt Wilson, C.M.
PFC Church, W.R.	Pvt McGinnis, T.D.	Pvt Wright, W.W.
Pvt Cochran, J.I.	Pvt McNamee, J.J.	
Pvt Cruzmartinez, C.J.	Pvt Melen, J.C.	
Pvt Darnell, C.L.	PFC Melnyk, S.M.	
PFC Decker, G.C.	Pvt Modi, N.J.	
Pvt Demeritt, E.M.	Pvt Napier, T.J.	
Pvt Dickie, J.P.	PFC Nevels, J.I.	
Pvt Eldersma, T.R.	Pvt Nowell, C.W.	
Pvt Espinosa, O.	Pvt Palmer, C.W.	
Pvt Evans, F.A. *	PFC Pollard, C.L.	
PFC Farley, B.J.	Pvt Ponce, J.A.	
Pvt Fleming, K.S.	Pvt Radcliff, D.B.	
PFC Franklin, B.C.	Pvt Ragsdale, C.J.	
Pvt Gatliff, J.C.	Pvt Ruberg, D.M.	
Pvt Guinn, C.A. *	PFC Ryan, E.J.	
PFC Hall, C.J.	Pvt Schuyler, M.J. *	
Pvt Hassan, D.J.	Pvt Shollenbarger, B.S.	
PFC Huebner, B.E.	PFC Shouse, N.D.	
LCpl Jones, K.L.	Pvt Smith, B.P.	
Pvt Jonesmurphy, M.R.	Pvt Stansfield II, J.E.	
Pvt Kaegi, J.L.	PFC Stearns, S.M.	

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PLATOON 1014

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt E.E. Medina
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt C.L. Aguilar
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt D.L. Taylor
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt G. Lumpkin



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC J.W. Shackleford
HOMETOWN.....Leesburg, VA
RECRUITED BY.....GySgt Littles

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt M.G. Dams (332)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Tanenbaum

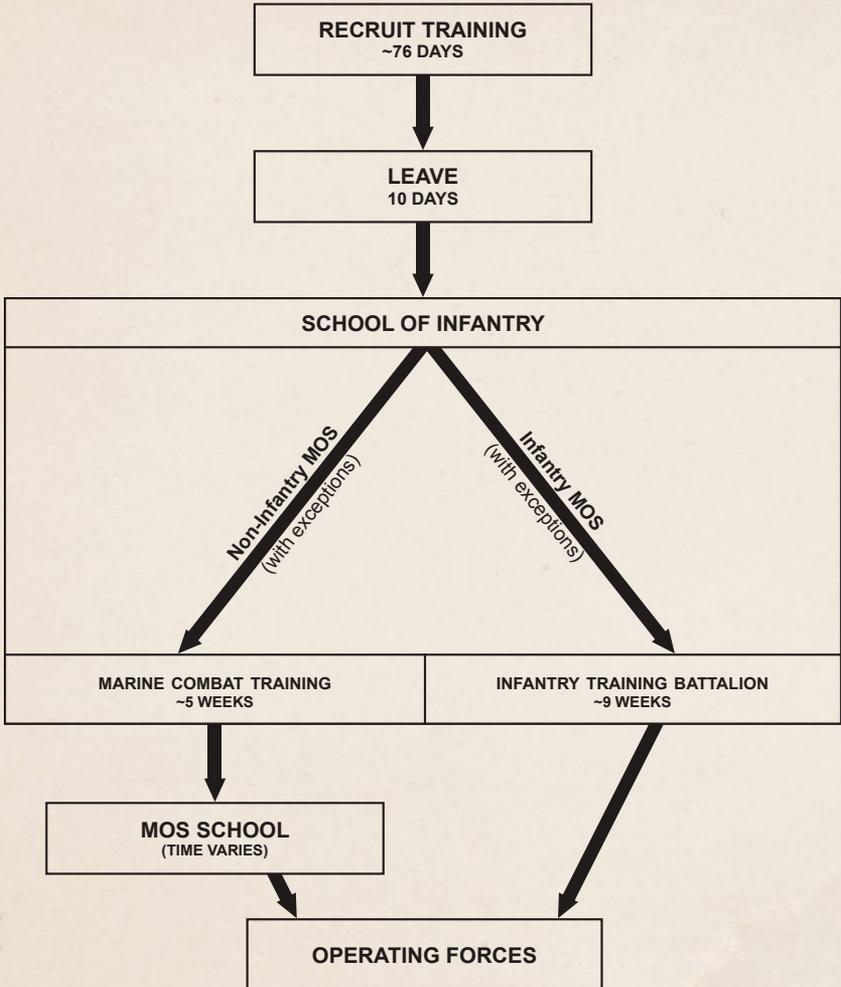
PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt C.J. Brown (600)

Pvt Bates, C.M.	Pvt Huttonprass, J.N.	Pvt Tominovich, M.T.
Pvt Blanchard, M.J.	Pvt Jae, D.C.	Pvt Tricomi, D.J.
PFC Brooks, M.S.	Pvt Jaoui, A.	Pvt Turner, J.L.
PFC Brunelle, L.V.	PFC Jaramillo, J.S.	Pvt Turner, M.D.
PFC Bullard, J.A.	Pvt Kandler, J.J.	Pvt Velettefeliz, W.A.
PFC Carpenter, J.J.	PFC Keeler, S.C.	Pvt Wright, S.N.
PFC Carrasco, C.J.	Pvt King, K.T.	
PFC Cheeseman, B.R.	PFC Lahr, T.J.	
Pvt Clark, J.R.	Pvt Leyden, R.C.	
Pvt Claycomb, T.M.	PFC Li, B.Z.	
Pvt Cohen, M.B.	PFC Liskiewicz, D.A.	
Pvt Cooper, J.R.	Pvt Logsdon, A.W.	
Pvt Curry, D.J.	PFC Mahamadouodiodi, B.	
PFC Dams, M.G.	PFC Maldonado Jr., R.R.	
Pvt Despradelmercado, J.A.	PFC Mathison, K.L.*	
PFC Dodson, K.S.	Pvt Mcdougal, T.W.	
Pvt Ducharme, K.M.	Pvt Mendezmotenehua, J.M.	
Pvt Elhassan, Z.M.	PFC Mercadorivas, Y.A.	
Pvt Familiacollado, F.S.	Pvt Miller, I.S.	
Pvt Fidler, T.A.	Pvt Mixon, K.M.	
Pvt Frederick, A.L.	Pvt Munizlozano, M.	
Pvt Gill, R.H.	PFC Patterson, T.O.	
Pvt Hamilton, L.A.	Pvt Perez Jr., D.	
Pvt Harvey, S.C.	PFC Rokita, A.N.	
Pvt Hernandez, A.	PFC Shackleford, J.W.*	
PFC Herrarte, B.A.*	PFC Sluder, C.E.*	
Pvt Holcombe, A.B.	Pvt Stclair, G.L.	
Pvt Hudsoncreese, M.M.	Pvt Straub, C.A.	

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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.





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.

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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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.



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