



# UNITED STATES MARINES

GRADUATION CEREMONY  
MCRD PARRIS ISLAND, SC

# WELCOME TO MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT PARRIS ISLAND

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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

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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

## Honorable Thomas B. Modly

### Acting Secretary of the Navy

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The Honorable Thomas B. Modly of Cleveland, Ohio currently serves as the 33rd Under Secretary of the Navy. He is also the Department of the Navy's Chief Management Officer and Chief Information Officer.

He is currently serving as Acting Secretary of the Navy as of Nov. 25, 2019. Secretary Modly graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in 1983, with distinction. He then served on active duty as an UH-1N "Huey" pilot and an Assistant Professor of Political Science at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Throughout his tenure, Secretary Modly has focused on increasing agility and accountability throughout the Department's business operations that increase warfighting wholeness for Sailors and Marines. He has also championed critical reforms aimed to elevate education to a role of a warfare enabler for both naval services. Secretary Modly previously served as the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Financial Management in the George W. Bush Administration, a role in which he drove broad business transformation efforts across the Department of Defense.

In the private sector, Secretary Modly was the Managing Director of PricewaterhouseCoopers' Public Sector practice, and was the firm's Global Government Defense Network Leader. While at PwC he was the lead partner for the firm's NATO account, and personally led economic development teams on the ground in Iraq and Afghanistan in support of U.S. stabilization efforts.

Secretary Modly earned a Master of Arts in Government/International Relations at Georgetown University before entering flight school, and after active duty he entered Harvard Business School, where he earned a Master in Business Administration with Honors, concentrating in Business, Government, and Strategy.

**UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS  
RECRUIT TRAINING REGIMENT  
MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT  
PARRIS ISLAND, SOUTH CAROLINA**

**06 March 2020**

**Recruit Training Regiment**

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Colonel C. P. O' Connor  
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major C. D. Thomas

**1st Recruit Training Battalion**

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Lieutenant Colonel J. B. Pattay  
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major J. D. DiCosimo

**Commander of Troops**  
Captain L. D. Smith

**Parade Adjutant**  
Captain G. A. Mills

**Company "B", 1st Recruit Training Battalion**

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Captain L. D. Smith  
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....First Sergeant C. Gonzales  
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain T. N. Wilcox  
LEAD SERIES ASSISTANT SERIES COMMANDER.....First Lieutenant S. A. Sotelo  
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant A. J. Raudales  
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER.....First Lieutenant D. K. Asheim  
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant A. M. Garay

**Drill Masters**  
Gunnery Sergeant I. G. Silva  
Staff Sergeant L.E. Lyme

**Chaplain**  
Lieutenant Commander W. Jean

**Color Guard**  
Sergeant R. Perry      Sergeant W. Perkins  
Sergeant B. McNair      Sergeant E. Moreno

# PLATOON 1016

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt K. L. Hunter  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt K. M. Bonner  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt F. M. Hibbert



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PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC J. C. Ollarvides  
HOMETOWN.....Miami, FL  
RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Buendia

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PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC K. D. Walker (330)  
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Whitney

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PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC J. C. Ollarvides (598)

PFC Annis, Felicity T.	Pvt Henry, Kyiesha R.	PFC Romanenko, Olga
Pvt Arguelles, Princessja	Pvt Herrada, Selena	PFC Ruiz, Gloria I.
Pvt Avilamartinez, Ciara P.	PFC Holland, Leslie M.*	Pvt Rush, Britany S.
Pvt Bernardy, Christiann A.	Pvt Howard, Autumn S.	PFC Thomas, Quenthia M.
PFC Bonnettgaracia, Deborah M.	PFC Husainy, Isha	Pvt Tran, Angela R.
PFC Bradley, Katelin T.	PFC Jenkins, Vanessa M.	Pvt Trejomorales, Mishel
PFC Cantu, Viviann C.	Pvt Khokhashvili, Ana	PFC Ventura, Jennifer
PFC Carroll, Ashley T.	PFC King, Mariah A.	Pvt Waldron, Kayla N.
PFC Carter, Katherine E.	Pvt Leonard, Joee M.	PFC Walker, Kayla D.
PFC Chen, Elsa	Pvt Li, Siquan	PFC Wallace, Lexa B.
Pvt Clark, Shanyia N.	PFC Loaiza, Angie	PFC Wolf, Lauren M.
PFC Cowles, Sage M.	Pvt Martinezsierra, Karina	
Pvt Croom, Hannah M.	Pvt Monroy, Cenaida	
Pvt Davilajuarez, Jasmin	Pvt Moreno, April M.	
PFC Dozier, Jada M.	PFC Munkres, Meena M.	
Pvt Flores, Maricelys R.	PFC O'Connell, Dilyn M.	
Pvt Fuentes, Rachelle A.	PFC Ollarvides, Jennifer C.	
Pvt Garcia, Lazara F.	PFC Paezsalcedo, Jhadith Y.	
Pvt Garcia, Raquel	Pvt Pena, Jaylene M.	
Pvt Groves, Bridget Z.	Pvt Platt, Shelby C.	
PFC Harris, Tia T.	Pvt Rhoades, Emily G.	
PFC Henn, Charity H.*	PFC Rodriguezmatey, Arcis A.*	

\*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

# PLATOON 1017

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. W. Miles  
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt M. L. Jones  
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt I. Sanchez  
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. A. Doyle



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC R. D. James  
 HOMETOWN.....Goldsboro, NC  
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Grant

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt T. M. Putman (333)  
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Tygart

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC J. J. Pratt (600)

PFC Blow, Robert H.	Pvt Leone, Ezekiel D.	Pvt Watson II, Mark C.
Pvt Byars, Jesse P.	PFC Lopez, Alan J.	Pvt Watson, Levi N.
Pvt Chapman Jr., Kelvin D.	Pvt Mack, Mason R.	PFC White, Keon D.
PFC Chiriboga, Jeanfranco	PFC Mayers Jr., Anthony B.	Pvt Wilkins, Brandon N.
PFC Chumbley, Braylan T.	Pvt Mclean, Lakeem E.	PFC Williams, Ethan Z.
Pvt Colinmendez, Ramon	PFC Miles, Sean G.	PFC Wood, Matthew J.
Pvt Coulibaly, Oumar	Pvt Miller, Garrett M.	PFC Yomenou, Komlanvi J.*
Pvt Dawkins, Isaiah L.	Pvt Milton, Logan I.	
Pvt Eggleston, Christophe R.	PFC Molloy, Matthew S.	
PFC Gomez, Abraham	Pvt Moore, Joshua L.	
Pvt Gresham, Brandon M.	Pvt Moraru, Robert C.	
Pvt Grieb, Tyler T.	Pvt Morquecho, Alex D.	
PFC Haden, Keith B.	Pvt Pilgrim, Julian A.	
Pvt Hamm, Willem C.	PFC Pratt, Jeremiah J.	
PFC Harvey, Kovynmarc N.*	Pvt Putman, Trent M.	
Pvt Hawkins, Chase E.	PFC Rios, Kai M.*	
Pvt Holcomb, Patrick R.	PFC Robinson Jr., Kori D.	
Pvt James, Jacob A.	Pvt Ruiz, Nathan J.	
PFC James, Ricky D.*	Pvt Sapp, Jackson T.	
PFC King, Michael R.	PFC Searcy, Riley J.	
PFC Krause, Jacob S.	Pvt Stclair, Davis M.	
Pvt Labra, Ivan	PFC Sydnorcorbett, Dandre L.	
Pvt Lancaster, Dyquon M.	Pvt Ward, Drevieon D.	

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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....SSgt B. B. Fortunarodriguez  
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....SSgt D. C. Stratton  
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....SSgt D. E. Zarate  
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....SSgt T. J. Ecal



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE .....PFC A. Almonor  
 HOMETOWN .....North Lauderdale, FL  
 RECRUITED BY .....SSgt Mello

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER .....Pvt E. J. Corecarrea (332)  
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR .....Sgt Quinn

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT .....PFC D. G. Baturin (599)

PFC Almonor, Anderson M.	Pvt Guillard, Nicholas A.	PFC Rees, Charles D.
Pvt Altman, Vincent J.	PFC Hanish, Alexander M.	Pvt Riveracevedo, Carlos M.
Pvt Alvarezmondragon, Luis	Pvt Hoffman, Timothy T.	Pvt Sanchez, Brandon E.
PFC Armstrong, Brandon H.	Pvt Hoffpauir, Tanner B.	Pvt Schmidt, Jonathan
PFC Barakos, Achileas H.	PFC House, Chandler R.*	PFC Six, Cole R.
PFC Baturin, David G.	PFC Houston, Ricky N.	Pvt Sloan, Marc A.
Pvt Bellew, Hayden B.	PFC Insua, Bryan*	PFC Stonecipher, David M.
Pvt Belton, Reno J.	Pvt Irwin, Aaron A.	PFC Stvil, Robinson N.
Pvt Bermea, Fernando A.	PFC Lopez, Andrew D.	PFC Urbina, Christian E.
PFC Bras, Kensha K.	Pvt Lopez, Matthew W.	Pvt Wahler, Noah J.
Pvt Brownsberger, Zachary J.	Pvt Mallon, Austin T.	Pvt Watson, Zachary B.
Pvt Caravello, James C.	Pvt Matos Jr., Adalberto	Pvt Wilson, Jacob K.
Pvt Castorena, Gabriel C.	Pvt May, Calvin G.	
Pvt Cawdell, Arron J.	Pvt Mcallister, David L.	
Pvt Christie, Spencer J.	Pvt Mejia, Jesus	
Pvt Colmore Jr., Christophe L.	Pvt Mercedesfeliz, Henry A.	
PFC Cook, Keddric M.*	PFC Merritt, Jack R.	
Pvt Corecarrero, Elian J.	Pvt Miles, Christophe K.	
Pvt Cyprette, Ethan M.	PFC Morejon, Alexander A.	
Pvt Esposito, Francis A.	Pvt Parry, Ryan P.	
PFC Fowler, Robert Z.	PFC Perez, Yovani	
Pvt Garcia, Jason	PFC Pintado, Brennon G.	
PFC Garner, Cameron L.*	Pvt Prezioso II, Spencer L.	

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# PLATOON 1020

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. A. Ramos  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. A. Failing  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt T. L. McIntosh



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COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC A. N. Richardson  
HOMETOWN.....Mays Landing, New Jersey  
RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Speirs

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PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC N. J. Jenkins (328)  
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Tolly

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COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC G. D. Puckett (600)

Pvt Aaron, Christophe A.	PFC Jenkins, Niles J.	Pvt Rojas, Adolfo H.
Pvt Adams, Caleb S.	PFC Johnson, Kainen V.	Pvt Shepherd, Dimitri Z.
Pvt Allette, Lennus Y.	PFC Khairaddin, Abdullah A.	Pvt Smith, Ajani G.
Pvt Allette, Linnus K.	Pvt Lora, Christophe U.	Pvt Smith, Chad J.
Pvt Bakhshandeh, Parsa	Pvt Macmaster, Tiernan R.	Pvt Sutherland, Josiah I.
PFC Ballard Jr., Christophe E.	Pvt Martineziniguez, Noel D.	Pvt Velezguanoluisa, Axel D.
Pvt Bernadin, Elisee C.	Pvt Mate, Kristof L.	Pvt Walker, Dylan M.
PFC Bongiovanni, Lucjulien P.	PFC Mills, Justice A.*	Pvt Waltman, Jay R.
Pvt Bowser, Gabriel T.	Pvt Monsanto, Jalen S.	PFC Wooden, Jabari O.
Pvt Burger, Jake C.	Pvt Nichols, Josiah A.	
Pvt Chavez, Michael	Pvt Nunez, Lorenzo J.	
Pvt Cunningham, Robert L.	PFC Oliver Jr., Marcus L.*	
Pvt Diaz, Cristian	PFC Ostrander, David J.	
PFC Dixon, Delmar D.	Pvt Pangan, Gabriel M.	
PFC Essayas, Minase N.	Pvt Parente, Timothy B.	
Pvt Farinas, Xavier J.	PFC Peralta, Jefferson J.	
PFC Ferinodiaz, Roberto	PFC Puckett, Garrett D.*	
Pvt Flora, Ian M.	Pvt Redding, Cahil P.	
Pvt Fuentes, Brian F.	Pvt Revolus, Berly S.	
Pvt Gittens, Jamal A.	PFC Richardson, Aidan N.*	
PFC Gordon, Aidan R.	Pvt Riordan, Dennis M.	
Pvt Himes, Dylan M.	Pvt Ritchie, Gregory K.	
Pvt Holbrook, Jeffrey T.	PFC Roberts, Connor W.	

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# PLATOON 1021

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR ..... Sgt A. D. Offredi  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR ..... SSgt O. E. Owens  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR ..... Sgt J. L. Bishop



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PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE ..... PFC F. J. Pantojatorres  
HOMETOWN ..... Springfield, MA  
RECRUITED BY ..... Sgt Olson

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COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER ..... PFC J. J. Rausch (337)  
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR ..... Sgt Lacey

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PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT ..... PFC L. N. Brown (600)

PFC Acostahernandez, Edwin A.	Pvt Matsko, Shane R.	Pvt Staudigel, Drew A.
Pvt Addis, Zackery A.	PFC McCabe, Austin B.	PFC Sticker, Ethan A.
PFC Alkattan, Jamal T.	PFC Mccarthy, Christophe P.	PFC Stpreux, Lensley R.
Pvt Anderson, Joel C.	PFC Mcclendon, Aaron M.	Pvt Strong, Noah C.
PFC Arroyo, Zander A.	PFC Nies, Liam C.	PFC Torres, Eddy D.
PFC Brown, Lucas N.	Pvt Obryan, Johnathon P.	Pvt Vazquezberrios, Ricardo S.
Pvt Claitt Jr., Taris J.	Pvt Ollis, Tyler D.	Pvt Waitz, Zachary R.
Pvt Courville, Tyler J.	PFC Ortiz Jr., Adam*	PFC Webb Jr., Juan S.*
Pvt Cremer, Anthony A.	Pvt Osullivan, Darryl M.	Pvt Weinandy, Dylan J.
Pvt Criddell, Dalvin R.	PFC Pantojatorres, Francisco J.	Pvt Whittaker, Zechariah R.
PFC Diaz, Dariell A.	PFC Pawlowski, Alan R.*	
Pvt Downey, Shane T.	PFC Pfeiffer, Christophe M.	
Pvt Eyer, Andrew J.	Pvt Prichard, Nicholas P.	
Pvt Farrell, Ethan B.	PFC Rausch, Jaden J.*	
Pvt Findley, Elijah W.	PFC Renteria Jr., Martin S.	
PFC Gladden, Conner R.	Pvt Richardson, Miller A.	
Pvt Hartman, Jacob R.	PFC Ruckle, Mason A.	
Pvt Horton, Devin T.	Pvt Sanchez, Jose A.	
Pvt Jackson IV, Arthur J.	Pvt Santos, David E.	
PFC Jenkins, William A.	Pvt Severe, Nathanael G.	
Pvt Khan, Zameer	PFC Simmons, Stephen S.	
Pvt Marshall, Kenneth L.	Pvt Snapp, Robert J.	

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# PLATOON 1022

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. L. Johnson  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. Serrano  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt R. Santiago  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt M. Garciarabadian



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC J. D. Ferrara  
HOMETOWN.....Beacon, NY  
RECRUITED BY.....SSgt McClain

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt D. Dutton Jr. (333)  
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Barnes

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt I. G. Meyers (600)

Pvt Acosta, Gabriele M.	Pvt Hodgkin, Michael J.	PFC Roper, Malik T.
PFC Arnot, Brian T.	PFC Jaklitsch, Mark F.	Pvt Roy, Thomas J.
Pvt Asbury, Jessie W.	Pvt Jetton, Jacob L.	Pvt Salazar, Mateo D.
Pvt Banca, Richard M.	Pvt Khadka, Deepesh	Pvt Santiago Jr., Giorfelix
Pvt Cashman, Liam M.	Pvt Lange, Ryan M.	Pvt Segura, Yovany J.
PFC Champlin, Alec S.	PFC Langlois, Hunter G.	Pvt Shahid, Tayyib
PFC Chapman, Noah T.	PFC Le, Ryan V.	PFC Smith, Nathan A.*
PFC Clines III, Michael A.	PFC Matter, Maxwell L.	PFC Stansbury, Taylor F.
Pvt Clough, Garrett L.	Pvt Medina, Angel A.	Pvt Thomas, Ezekiel S.
Pvt Cruz, Lewis A.	Pvt Moreno, Dashawn T.*	Pvt Thomas, Shane M.
Pvt Debattista, Anthony M.	Pvt Morissette, Andrew J.*	Pvt Tuzzato, Giuseppe
Pvt Dupont, Shawn L.	Pvt Myers, Isaac G.	Pvt Valentinreyes, Eric S.
PFC Dutton Jr., Dangelo O.	Pvt Neece, Coby M.	PFC Villatoroflores, Elvis J.
Pvt Eckman, Cory R.	Pvt Newberry, Matthew A.	Pvt Waterman, Brian D.
Pvt Ferrara, Joshua D.*	Pvt Pizor III, William L.	Pvt Younie III, Frank S.
Pvt Flynn, Spencer M.	PFC Preusser, Tyler B.	
Pvt Fuller, Jack B.	Pvt Price, Jalen T.	
Pvt Gimenez, Victor A.	PFC Pullano, Vincenzo G.	
Pvt Griffith, Jacob P.	PFC Reyes, Justin J.	
Pvt Guite, Ian M.	PFC Rivera, Cisco F.	
Pvt Hayes, Alexander T.	Pvt Robinson, Brandon M.	
Pvt Haynes, Zachary S.	Pvt Roeder, Nathaniel R.	

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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

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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**

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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**

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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***

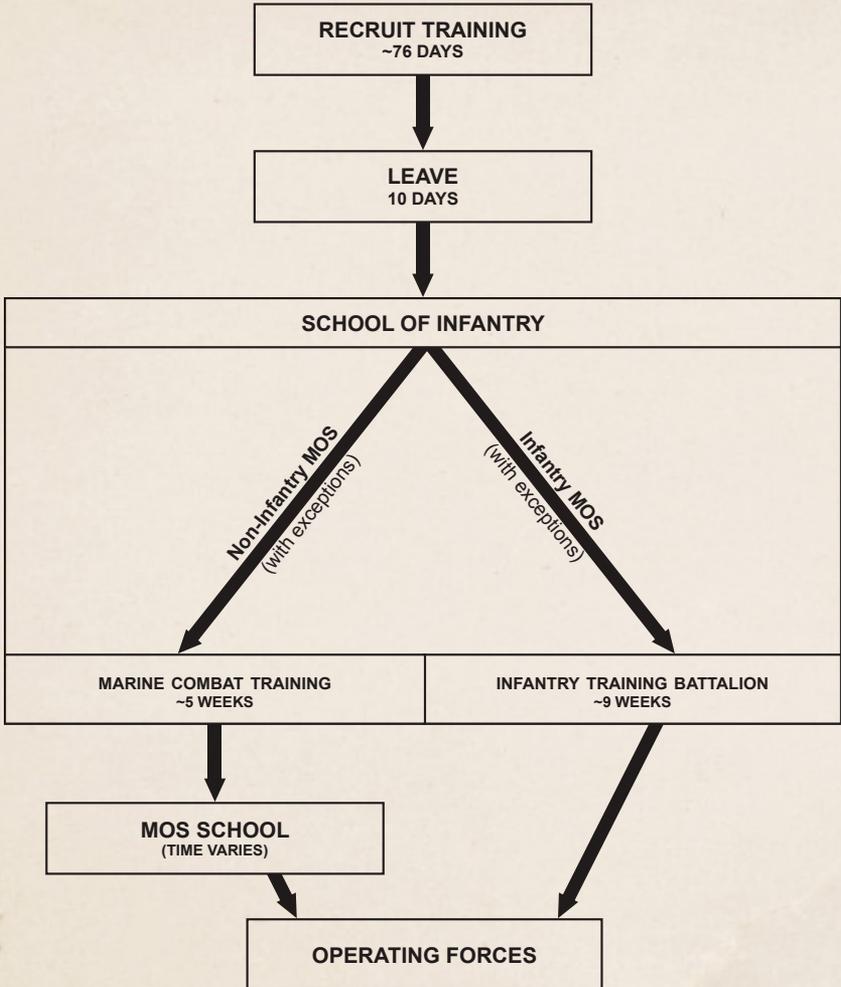
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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

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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**

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- 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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