



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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INVOCATION*

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ADJUTANT'S CALL

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COMMANDING OFFICER REMARKS

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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

6 December 2019

Recruit Training Regiment

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

First Recruit Training Battalion

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

Commander of Troops

Captain P.W. Precure

Parade Adjutant

Captain K. K. Ford

Company "C", 1st Recruit Training Battalion

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Captain P.W. Precure
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....First Sergeant J. P. Segura
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain C. Posadas
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain J. L. Rothfeld
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Gunnery Sergeant M. R. Jones
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant B. R. Grajales

Drill Masters

Gunnery Sergeant I.G. Silva
Staff Sergeant R.J. O'Brien

Chaplains

Lieutenant N.C. Jones, USN

Color Guard

Sergeant D. A. Ramos
Sergeant J. M. Mast
Sergeant B. J. Perez
Sergeant B. M. McNair

PLATOON 1096

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt L.E. Lyme
DRILL INSTRUCTORSgt T. K. Martin



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATEPFC M. P. Bartoe
HOMETOWNDawsonville, GA
RECRUITED BYSSgt Payne

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt J. T. Nunnally (327)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTORLCpl Stevens

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFTPFC N. L. Albury (598)

Pvt Acree, C. S.	Pvt Galvanestrada, A.	Pvt Smith, C. A.
PFC Albury, N. L.	PFC Garcia Jr, G. R.	Pvt Snyder, E. R.
PFC Alexander, D. K.	Pvt George, F. T.	Pvt Sprowl, S. R.
Pvt Angulo, C. A.	PFC Hartsock, D. E.	PFC Stringfellow, M. A.
PFC Aviles, N. T.	PFC Haynes, N. C.	Pvt Tingen, S. I.
PFC Barnes, M. K.	PFC Henry, I. J.*	PFC Vidalgonzalez, I.
PFC Bartoe, M. P.*	Pvt Herrera, C. G.	PFC Vivanco, I. V.
PFC Benoit, A. S.*	PFC Jacobs, K. L.	PFC Wilcox, X. K.
PFC Boyett, J. L.	Pvt Jarquin, J. L.	PFC Wilkie, A. V.
Pvt Brown, Z. A.	Pvt Kenner, C. E.	
Pvt Bryant, R. M.	Pvt Kinder, E. H.	
PFC Burcham, C. D.	Pvt Kitchell, L. N.	
Pvt Burdette, A. S.	Pvt Krause, T. L.	
Pvt Carnes, H. M.	Pvt Laing, C. G.	
Pvt Cook, H. L.	Pvt Leak, S. M.	
PFC Courdle, A. K.	PFC Leake, D. L.	
Pvt Curry, T. D.	PFC Lunsford, C. R.	
PFC Davis, A. D.	Pvt Mallory, A. M.	
Pvt Dawkinsfort, A. L.	PFC Marchesseau, C. A.	
PFC Debice, B. N.	Pvt Mattis, E. D.	
PFC Delgado, J. A.	Pvt McClain, J. H.	
Pvt Demaine III, H. V.	PFC McClure, J. D.	
PFC Donleycott, L. P.	PFC Nelson, Z. L.*	
Pvt Doss, M. J.	Pvt Nunnally, J. T.	
PFC Ely, D. B.	Pvt Paizvelasquez, J. D.	
Pvt Espinosacortes, D.	Pvt Patmon, D. A.	
Pvt Evans, C. M.	Pvt Pittman, N. A.	
PFC Evans, J. M.	PFC Richardson, C. C.	
PFC Fary, C. I.*	Pvt Ruff, J. M.	
PFC Fermin, J.	Pvt Schreiner, A. T.	
PFC Flinchum, L. B.	Pvt Sheffield, K. N.	
Pvt Gage, T. M.	Pvt Sheriff, J. D.	

*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

PLATOON 1097

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt T. A. Apodaca
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt B.P. Richardson
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt W. L. Mathis



COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC F. J. Perez
HOMETOWN.....Norfolk, VA
RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Santiago

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC F. Garcia (331)
MAKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Worley

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt G. M. Horne (593)

Pvt Adams, N. R.	Pvt Leonti, D. L.	Pvt Schaefer III, R. A.
PFC Adams, Q. K.	Pvt Lepak, N. A.	Pvt Senn, C. A.
Pvt Bell, J. E.	Pvt Lewis, D. E.	Pvt Sizemore, T. J.
PFC Bish, C. C.	Pvt Link, K. A.	Pvt Smitherman, E. R.
PFC Bizzell, W. W.	Pvt Martinez, J. J.	Pvt Stillion, E. C.
Pvt Bucholz, C. K.	Pvt Matthews, G. P.	PFC Strohm, Z. R.
Pvt Bulls, L. W.	PFC Mckernan, E. P.	Pvt Swepston, T. E.
Pvt Burke, T. A.	PFC Mcnutt, L. A.*	Pvt Tinnel, C. W.
PFC Butterfield, J. C.*	Pvt Mellor, L. A.	Pvt Vernon, C. V.
PFC Cole, A. L.	PFC Merring, C. G.	PFC Wages III, R. F.
PFC Connors, A. T.	Pvt Mignanosentongo, D. P.	PFC Witham, J. T.
Pvt Cravens, S. J.	Pvt Minchala, A. R.	Pvt Wood, D. R.
Pvt Davenport, M. K.	Pvt Monroe, J. T.	Pvt Zielinski, A. J.
Pvt Davis, F. S.	Pvt Morris IV, W. E.	
Pvt Dobriansky, J. T.	PFC Mota, Jeremy*	
PFC Doss IV, N.	Pvt Musgrave, J. W.	
Pvt Doss, X. L.	PFC Nelson, B. M.*	
PFC Fancher, T. J.	PFC Nelson, B. A.	
PFC Garcia, F.	Pvt Newberry, J. N.	
Pvt Goins, A. T.	Pvt Nofer Jr, G. E.	
Pvt Gregory, J. C.	Pvt Ortiz Jr, D. A.	
PFC Harlow, B. T.	PFC Oswald, B. P.	
Pvt Henzler, C. W.	Pvt Pacificar, R. M.	
Pvt Hicks, J. N.	PFC Perez, F. J.	
PFC Horne, G. M.	PFC Perez, K. J.	
PFC Hostetler, H. R.	Pvt Perez, N.	
PFC Ingram, J. S.	PFC Perezazury, R. G.	
PFC Jeffers III, G. E.	Pvt Pullen, J. C.	
Pvt Kasper, J. W.	Pvt Rai, P.	
PFC Keebler, J. M.*	PFC Rappaport, D. E.	
Pvt Kelley, X. B.	Pvt Reed, J. M.	
PFC Laplante, T. P.	PFC Rodriguez, S. M.	

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PLATOON 1098

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt K. A. Clark
DRILL INSTRUCTORSgt D. T. Dereef



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATEPFC S. C. Clulow III
HOMETOWNCochranon, PA
RECRUITED BYSgt Morrot

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTERPFC T. C. Johnson (333)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTORCpl Solly

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC S. C. Clulow III (581)

Pvt Alvis, J. M.	PFC Johnson, T. C.*	Pvt Veranesperez, A.S.
Pvt Aponte, A. L.	Pvt Lamar, Y.	Pvt Vielot, C. M.
Pvt Aponte, A. L.	Pvt Louis, R.	PFC Vuckovich, T. G.
Pvt Ayalavalenzuela, J. L.	Pvt Martinez, J. N.	Pvt Wanke, W. O.
Pvt Bailey, K. A.	Pvt Mays Jr, R. W.	Pvt White Jr, M. D.
Pvt Ball, C. J.	Pvt McBride, O. M.	Pvt Wilson, P. D.
Pvt Barragantoribio, D. K.	Pvt Melian, M. A.	PFC Yund, J. A.
Pvt Benevides, J. T.	PFC Mollard, J. R.*	PFC Zerpargarcia, J. M.
PFC Blas, Y. A.	PFC Nakano, C. R.	
Pvt Bleiler, J. P.	Pvt Nans, S. C.	
Pvt Calhoun, G. W.	Pvt Odom, C. L.	
Pvt Carr, K. A.	PFC Pierre, S. J.	
Pvt Carr, T. S.	Pvt Rivera, E.	
Pvt Childs, B. C.	PFC Rodriguez, J.	
Pvt Chin, R. B.	Pvt Rodriguez, L.	
PFC Clulow III, S. C.*	PFC Rohs, T. D.*	
PFC Condor, R. C.	Pvt Rossi, A. J.	
Pvt Conta, J. T.	Pvt Scholle, T. L.	
Pvt Cudmore, A. R.	PFC Schumann, V. T.	
PFC Diaz, D. A.	Pvt Silcox Jr, R. A.	
PFC Dowd, J. F.	Pvt Slusarz, J. L.	
PFC Figaro, R. S.	PFC Standre, N. L.	
Pvt Garvey, M. P.	Pvt Strobel, H. S.	
PFC Goode, L. W.	Pvt Theriot, L. R.	
Pvt Graham, T. C.	PFC Thomas, T. E.	
Pvt Guiney, J. D.	PFC Tomlinson, T. T.	
Pvt Harper, E. M.	Pvt Torres Jr, J. L.	
PFC Hector, M. W.	Pvt Torres, A. K.	
Pvt Heflin, R. N.	PFC Trickett, D. A.	
Pvt Iparraguirre, C. M.	Pvt Vazquez, A.	
Pvt Jackson, S. D.	Pvt Vazquezotero, J. C.	
PFC Jacques, M.	Pvt Velasquez, E. W.	

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PLATOON 1100

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt J. R Campos
 DRILL INSTRUCTORSgt S. W. Stout



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATEPFC L. Patrick
 HOMETOWNSebastopol, MS
 RECRUITED BYSgt McGee

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTERPvt M. O. Aguerocollazo (330)
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTORSgt Faulks

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt M.O. Aguerocollazo (560)

Pvt Aguerocollazo, M. O.	PFC Hoerr, S. A.	Pvt Taylor Jr, N. L.
Pvt Amany, A.	Pvt Homan, D. E.	PFC Taylor, G. W.*
PFC Ambrocio, J. E.*	Pvt Hout, N. J.	PFC Tejada, J. A.
Pvt Atwood, K. A.	Pvt Hubert, L. S.	Pvt Terrero, M. J.
PFC Avilaugalde, A.	Pvt Kern, C. J.	PFC Torres, B. G.*
Pvt Benjaminproctor, A. M.	Pvt Maesomaldonado, M. E.	Pvt Vargas, E. C.
PFC Benoit, D. J.	Pvt Manfra, T. J.	PFC Velez, L. C.
Pvt Blanchard, S. J.	Pvt Montgomery, J. M.	Pvt Whitney, E. X.
Pvt Block, L. E.	Pvt Moore, D. A.	PFC Wright Jr, G. T.*
Pvt Bosch, Z. S.	Pvt Olsson, D. N.	
PFC Brady, Z. E.	PFC Oneil, R. A.	
PFC Brooks, A. A.	PFC Parker, J. A.	
PFC Brown, L. T.	PFC Patrick, L. B.	
Pvt Bullock, G. R.	Pvt Pellerin, C. B.	
Pvt Campoverde, K. M.	Pvt Powers, A. J.	
PFC Candelaria, A. O.	PFC Ricci, J. A.	
Pvt Chamblin, G. J.	PFC Rivas, J. A.	
Pvt Clark, N. W.	Pvt Robinson, G. A.	
Pvt Davis, J. J.	Pvt Rogers, D. W.	
Pvt Deborarodriguez, J.	Pvt Santos, N.	
PFC Dejesusrodriguez, A. J.	Pvt Schellhammer, A. D.	
Pvt Dills, C. W.	Pvt Schelter, N. A.	
PFC Echavarria, C. A.*	Pvt Sealey, S. I.	
PFC Estrada, A.	PFC Shepherd Jr, R. A.	
Pvt Fairess, J. K.	PFC Sira, J. A.	
Pvt Fester, B. J.	Pvt Smith Jr, C. D.	
PFC Galligan, S. P.	PFC Smith, C. M.	
Pvt Garciaacarrasco, K. J.	Pvt Smith, Z. A.	
Pvt Garingo, J. P.	PFC Snead II, E. C.	
Pvt Gaud, C.	PFC Starcher, C. W.	
Pvt Hatfield, D. C.	Pvt Swails, J. T.	
Pvt Hernandez, L. D.	PFC Tackett, R. A.	

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PLATOON 1101

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTORSgt J. M. Faller
DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt J. N. Delao
DRILL INSTRUCTORSgt D. J. McNutt



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATEPFC D. J. Riale
HOMETOWNFelton, PA
RECRUITED BYSSgt Petersen

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTERPvt B. E. Biggs (330)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTORSgt Gilbert

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC C. L. Golden (598)

Pvt Aguero, J. J.	PFC Irizarry, C. D.	Pvt Walker III, W. H.
PFC Aleman Jr, G.	Pvt Jeffers, K. A.	Pvt Weldon, J. I.
Pvt Allen, T. C.	PFC Lemmon, S. A.	PFC Whittington, Z. T.*
Pvt Amilpascuellar, M.	Pvt Lowe, N. C.	PFC Williams, J. J.
Pvt Bane, T. M.	Pvt Lucio, A.	PFC Xavier, B.
Pvt Banyeah, S.	Pvt Lytle, C. A.	PFC Zhang, K.
Pvt Belcher, P. H.	PFC Mahn, E. C.*	
PFC Bibby, A. J.*	Pvt Mccord Jr, M. A.	
Pvt Biggs, B. E.	PFC Mcdaniel, D. M.	
Pvt Bourdierbatista, Y.	Pvt Medeiros, M. A.	
Pvt Bowling Jr, D. A.	PFC Moran, S. J.	
Pvt Brundick, W. S.	PFC Newsome, H. H.	
Pvt Buenrostro, E. L.	PFC Pruss, C. M.	
Pvt Butcher, S. A.	Pvt Reed, N. A.	
Pvt Cerisier, D. L.	PFC Riale, D. J.	
PFC Chisolm, J. W.	PFC Rodgers, E. T.	
Pvt Drenchen, T. N.	PFC Rodriguez, J.	
Pvt Duffy, O. C.	Pvt Rodriguezfigueroa, A. J.	
Pvt Eliaselias, J.	Pvt Ruizlopez, A. J.	
PFC Espinosa Jr, F.	PFC Sanders, N. T.	
PFC Ferdick, J. J.	Pvt Shelton, A. W.	
Pvt Garcia, I. D.	Pvt Sherpa, D. T.	
PFC Golden, C. L.	Pvt Stanley, K. G.	
PFC Golden, J. M.	PFC Stephenson, J. D.	
PFC Gomez, G. R.	Pvt Stover, Z. M.	
Pvt Gorde, W. D.	PFC Sullivan, E. D.	
Pvt Greco, J. F.	PFC Tejada, J. M.	
Pvt Guach, J. J.	Pvt Valmores, J. R.	
PFC Harvey, C. J.	PFC Vazquezgonzalez, A.*	
Pvt Hennessy, M. J.	Pvt Voorhees, Q. J.	
PFC Hollinger, T. A.	PFC Waddell, J. J.	
PFC Holloman, M. D.*	PFC Wadsworth, T. T.	

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PLATOON 1102

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt C. C. Arrick
DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt M. D. Kendrick



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATEPFC S. J. Giordano
HOMETOWNLock Haven, PA
RECRUITED BYSSgt Roach

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt A. J. Collins (331)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Gemmill

COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFTPFC C. C. Orzel (599)

PFC Amend, J. W.	Pvt Jarrard, C. J.	Pvt Schaeffer, Z. M.
Pvt Amero, D. J.	PFC Jordan, C. C.	Pvt Singer, B. A.
Pvt Anderson, C. J.	PFC Kerns Jr, K. M.	PFC Stewart, B. F.
PFC Avey, D. G.	Pvt Krahel, A. D.	Pvt Summers, S. T.
Pvt Blakeslee, C. A.	Pvt Laliberte, M. R.	Pvt Vanzalen, C. G.
Pvt Bonislawski, N. J.	Pvt Ludlow, J. D.	PFC Wales, Z. W.
Pvt Boros, A. M.	PFC Lutley, A. L.	Pvt Wanty, W. L.
Pvt Bradley, G. A.	Pvt Marchand, W. D.	PFC Zepp, T. M.
Pvt Carney, D. H.	Pvt Marois, J. M.	
Pvt Colkett, N. B.	Pvt Martin, J. L.	
Pvt Collins, A. J.	PFC Masten, K. V.*	
Pvt Connelly, J. E.	PFC Mathews III, R. C.	
Pvt Croteau, Z. T.	Pvt Mcdermott, C. C.	
Pvt Devlaminck, T. W.	Pvt Mcdonagh, J. P.	
PFC Dillon, D. A.	Pvt Mckinney, A. R.	
Pvt Dyer, N. M.	PFC Mills, E. A.*	
PFC Ely, J. A.	PFC Moss, D. H.	
PFC Faith, A.J.	Pvt Murray, J. E.	
PFC Flynn, C. M.	Pvt Newman, A. C.	
Pvt Fragoso, W. A.	Pvt Ortiz, C. A.	
Pvt Furlong, R. J.	Pvt Ortiz, C. J.	
PFC Gant, D. J.	PFC Orzel, C. C.*	
PFC Giordano, S. J.*	Pvt Pagano, R. M.	
Pvt Good, C. L.	Pvt Peebles, L. L.	
Pvt Goodwin, J. J.	PFC Pinkerton, A. M.*	
Pvt Hachem, H. A.	Pvt Powell, A. T.	
PFC Hallissey, B. G.	Pvt Riquier, B. A.	
PFC Harmon, J. I.	Pvt Rivera, M. R.	
Pvt Hoang, B. N.	PFC Roberts, H. F.	
Pvt Hoang, N.	Pvt Rodriguez, A. R.	
Pvt Iskra, A. A.	Pvt Santiago, J.M.	
Pvt James, B. T.	PFC Sattler, J. D.	

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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



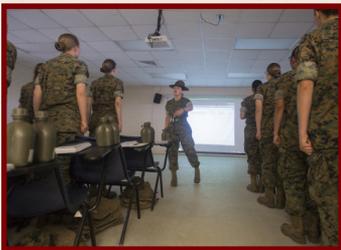
The transformation process begins with recruiting, where we select young men and women of demonstrated potential and commitment and prepare them for recruit training.

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

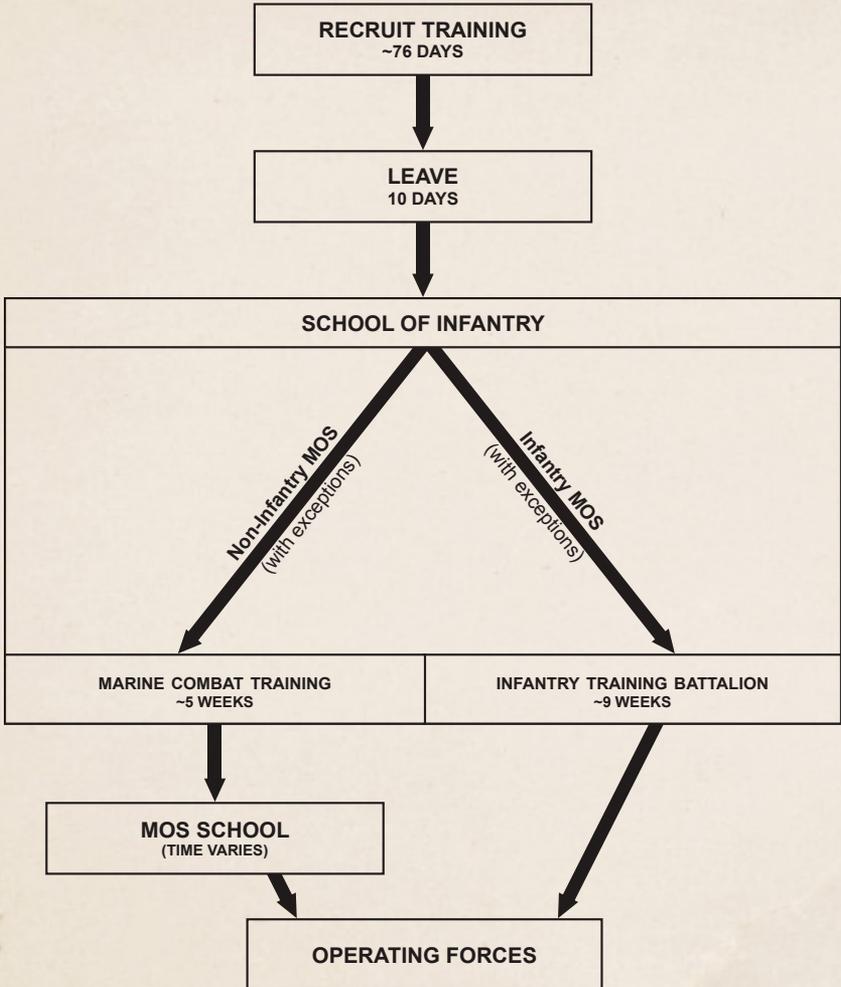
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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