



UNITED STATES MARINES

GRADUATION CEREMONY
MCRD PARRIS ISLAND, SC

WELCOME TO MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT PARRIS ISLAND

On behalf of the Commanding General, Marine Corps Recruit Depot and Eastern Recruiting Region, welcome to this morning's graduation ceremony. Today's graduates have earned the title "United States Marine" through hard work, perseverance, and personal sacrifice. While we recognize what they have accomplished, we must also recognize the role you played. Your support and encouragement sustained them, helping them realize their goal of becoming a Marine. Thank you, and welcome to our Marine Corps family!

You're undoubtedly aware that the Marine Corps and our country expect much of your Marine. They are now held to a higher standard; a standard rooted in our core values and embraced during their transformation from civilian to Marine. They have established a solid foundation that will allow them to face life's challenges with confidence, courage, and honor. They have been tested in recruit training and will face greater tests in the future.

This pamphlet provides a brief overview of our core values and the concept of transformation, and provides guidance useful during your new Marine's leave period and for reporting to their next assignment. Please review this information together. You will better understand what your Marine has done, and they will be better prepared for their next stage of training. If you have any questions your Marine cannot answer while home, please contact your local recruiter.

Thank you for entrusting us with your Marine. Together, we, the Marine Corps family, can keep our Marines focused on their mission and purpose. The result will be limitless potential for success in the Marine Corps and in life.

I hope you enjoy the remainder of your visit at Parris Island and will take time to tour our Recruit Depot with your Marine. Please accept my best wishes for a happy and safe return home for both you and your Marine.



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*MARINES' HYMN**

FINAL DISMISSAL

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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**

7 February 2020

Recruit Training Regiment

COMMANDING OFFICER Colonel C. P. O' Connor
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1st Recruit Training Battalion

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SERGEANT MAJOR Sergeant Major J. D. DiCosimo

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First Sergeant N. A. Cooklin

Parade Adjutant

GySgt A. W. Lee

Company "A", 1st Recruit Training Battalion

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LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR Staff Sergeant M. L. Davis
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER Captain B. L. Lunsford
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR Gunnery Sergeant D. Quinones

Drill Masters

Gunnery Sergeant I. G. Silva
Staff Sergeant L. E. Lyme

Chaplain

Lieutenant N. C. Jones

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Sergeant B. M. McNair Sergeant E. Moreno

PLATOON 1008

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt F. Corniel
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt J. A. Jimenez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt R. R. Shinholster



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC T. V. Cameron
HOMETOWN.....Dunn, NC
RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Barid

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC J. A. Lucke (326)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Solly

Pvt Aderhold, M. S.	Pvt Hughes, J. M.	Pvt Roberts, D. J.
PFC Akintoye, O. O.	Pvt Humphrey, C. C.	PFC Rodriguezsoto, L. X.
Pvt Anderson II, D. R.	PFC Job III, D. R.	PFC Rosadobruno, J. A.
Pvt Arellano, J. A.	Pvt Johnson, K. W.	Pvt Rowell, N. C.
Pvt Armistead, L. J.	Pvt Jones, A. C.	PFC Satterfield, S. P.
PFC Baxter, E. B. *	PFC Jones, N. L. *	PFC Seales, H. W.
Pvt Beneker Jr., R. D.	PFC Jonescollins, A. K. *	PFC Shu, L.
Pvt Brown, K. G.	Pvt Kidd, J. G.	Pvt Smith, J. G.
PFC Cameron, T. V.	Pvt Kirkernapiorkowski, E.	Pvt Swanson, P. T.
PFC Chance, E. M.	PFC Lachos, L. A.	Pvt Swartout, C. N.
Pvt Clarke, A. C.	PFC Lopez, L. I.	Pvt Thomas, J. C.
PFC Cooper, J. D.	Pvt Lucke, J. A.	Pvt Thompson, B. J.
Pvt Cooper, M. C.	PFC Martin, K. D.	PFC Tirado, J.
PFC Come, T. L.	Pvt McPherson, M. G.	Pvt Torres, S. Z.
Pvt Eicher, J. A.	PFC Mezacervantes, C. I.	PFC Unsel, M. S.
Pvt Fitzpatrick, S. R.	Pvt Milton, M. J.	PFC Ware, J. R.
Pvt Foitek, N. P.	PFC Moree, C. W.	Pvt Watson, S. R.
PFC Genot III, M. B.	PFC Oconnor, E. W.	PFC Williams Jr., W. H. *
Pvt Gillam, A. C.	Pvt Pantingdiaz, E. J.	Pvt Worthen, D. R.
Pvt Harden IV, J. F.	Pvt Parker II, J. G.	
PFC Hart, R. A.	Pvt Pinkney Jr., R. F.	
Pvt Hayes, D. K.	PFC Pope Jr., C. E. *	
PFC Hayes, J. N.	Pvt Prince, S. A.	

PLATOON 1009

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt A. Medina
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt D. L. Avila
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt K. N. Colon

COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC K. C. Pontius
HOMETOWN.....Grove City, OH
RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Young

COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt K. R. Godfrey (333)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Tygart

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| Pvt Agee, C. R. | Pvt Godfrey, K. R. | PFC Payne, D. T. |
| Pvt Alleman, P. K. | Pvt Gomez, R. E. | Pvt Pervall, C. J. |
| PFC Ammons, N. J.* | Pvt Green, W. A. | PFC Pontius, K. C. |
| Pvt Arias, G. | PFC Groesbeck, B. P. | Pvt Powell Jr., D. |
| PFC Barrionuevo, D. A. | PVT Hall, A. J. | Pvt Purcell, J. C. |
| PFC Bell, Evan C.* | Pvt Hamblin, D. E. | PFC Reilly, D. S. |
| Pvt Bever, D. G. | Pvt Harris, A. N. | Pvt Riffe, M. R. |
| PFC Browning, D. B.* | Pvt Harris, H. M. | PFC Robins, C. L.* |
| Pvt Buck, L. M. | Pvt Hill, N. R. | PFC Sadlier, G. D.* |
| Pvt Ceprish, C. P. | PFC Hinton, D. L. | Pvt Saulsberry V, J. D. |
| PFC Chow, J. H. | Pvt Hollis, L. B. | Pvt Simmons, B. F. |
| Pvt Chow, J. H. | PFC Holmes II, D. R. | Pvt Sollaestremera, K. R. |
| PFC Coleman, D. V. | Pvt Holt, D. M. | Pvt Speller, N. A. |
| Pvt Collier, A. C. | Pvt Hossain, A. M. | Pvt Taylor, D. B. |
| PFC Digiacomio, J. W. | Pvt Lohr, C. T. | Pvt Taylor, J. J. |
| Pvt Donnelly, T. | Pvt Lopez, R. A. | PFC Throckmorton, J. E. |
| Pvt Driscoll, D. J. | Pvt Lynch, T. J. | Pvt Timoch Jr., J. J. |
| PFC Duclos, D. | Pvt Marks, B. L. | Pvt Walker, B. D. |
| Pvt Duff, D. T. | Pvt Mckoy, K. D. | Pvt Walker, G. K. |
| Pvt Finucan, M. J. | PFC Mora, A. J. | PFC Wassenberg, S. P. |
| Pvt Frank, C. E. | Pvt Nelson, V. F. | Pvt Wilson, B. J. |
| Pvt Garcia, I. R. | Pvt Ong, H. K. | PFC Woods, J. T. |
| Pvt George, J. | Pvt Osborne, J. A. | |

PLATOON 1010

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt R. T. Richardson
DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt C. N. Dodd
DRILL INSTRUCTORSgt Z. R. Thomas

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATEPFC R. W. McKinley
HOMETOWNTampa, FL
RECRUITED BYSgt Jares

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTERPFC B. Baguio (330)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTORSgt Gulette

Pvt Ahmed, A.	Pvt Gonzalez Jr., A.	Pvt Najac, L.
PFC Alcantara, W. C.	PFC Goodwin, C. C.	PFC Nash, A. A.
Pvt Alexander, T. J.	Pvt Goodwin, L. L.	Pvt Page, W. M.
Pvt Ascencio, T. A.	Pvt Green Jr., G. D.	PFC Raimondi, J. G.
Pvt Ashe, J. M.	Pvt Gulen, S. J.	Pvt Redman III, D. N.
PFC Baguio, B.	Pvt Hadsell, I. M.	Pvt Reilly, B. M.
Pvt Batres, A. E.	PFC Hernandez, C. Z.	PFC Rodriguezrivera, T. A.
Pvt Bayley, A. F.	Pvt Horta, B.	PFC Ross Jr., J. A.*
Pvt Bowens, J. M.	Pvt Illich, R. M.	Pvt Ruiz, M.
PFC Brionesmelendez, B.	Pvt Imerini, J. B.	PFC Sebald, B. M.
Pvt Camachovera, J. R.	PFC Lheureux, L. R.	Pvt Shepard, D. C.
PFC Capo, R. A.	PFC Londono, J. B.	Pvt Simmons, C. P.
PFC Clark, J. C.*	Pvt Lowrie, J. D.	Pvt Simpson, T. J.
Pvt Colli, A. M.	Pvt Maclean, D. A.	Pvt Snider Jr., M. T.
Pvt Contreras, S.	Pvt Manwiller, H. S.	Pvt Tamang, L.
PFC Creavin, P. T.	Pvt Marton, H. I.	PFC Tavares, J. M.
PFC Desrosiers, D. T.	Pvt Mason II, T. G.	PFC Tetrault, T. D.
Pvt Devane, A. B.	Pvt Mason, R.D.	Pvt Wedgeworth, H. A.
PFC Fagan, T. C.	PFC Matias, A. D.*	PFC Weiermiller, E. E.
PFC Faller, J. D.	PFC McKinley, R. W.	PFC Wheeler III, S. L.*
Pvt Farley, E. P.	PFC Mclean, J. C.	Pvt Willett Jr., D. J.
PFC Farrell, C. P.	Pvt Mejiaveras, C. E.	
Pvt Frank, C. E.	PFC Morgan, N. A.*	

PLATOON 1012

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt J. R. Ortega
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt G. N. Lee
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt N. C. Tucker
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. Dooley



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC S. L. Kington
HOMETOWN.....Madisonville, KY
RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Perry
PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt T. B. Shockley (328)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Coup

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| Pvt Arochocreso, J. A. | Pvt Hewlett, I. T. | PFC Penrose, C. B. |
| Pvt Bachert, W. M. | Pvt Hill, B. J. | Pvt Peralta, A. B. |
| Pvt Banaszewski, C. A. | PFC Huamani, F. A. | PFC Phillips, S. A. |
| Pvt Bawi, V. T. | Pvt Infante, L. | PFC Potocki, T. W. * |
| Pvt Berry, J. | PFC Irizarryreyes, M. M. | PFC Quezadaserna, F. J. |
| Pvt Bradley, L. L. | PFC Jackson, J. L. * | Pvt Quinn, C. L. |
| PFC Brooks, D. D. | Pvt James Jr., J. G. | Pvt Roberson, R. A. |
| Pvt Burkhardt, R. H. | Pvt Jenkins, J. T. | Pvt Ruizgrijalva, A. L. |
| Pvt Caleronoguera, J. A. | PFC Kington, S. L. | Pvt Russo, A. |
| Pvt Chapman, G. T. | Pvt Knutstad, B. M. | Pvt Russopenarreta, S. L. |
| PFC Chen, Q. | PFC Lawrence, R. P. | Pvt Ruth, W. P. |
| PFC Conte, L. B. | PFC Lewis, P. F. * | Pvt Sasu, L. Y. |
| Pvt Conway, A. R. | Pvt Lin, Y. | Pvt Shockley, T. B. |
| Pvt Cruz, K. J. | PFC Manning, J. E. * | PFC Smith, A. P. |
| PFC Cuello Jr., L. D. | Pvt Mckinstry, B. T. | Pvt Smith, M. T. |
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| Pvt Francisco, S. | Pvt Moore, A. B. | Pvt Tripp, M. D. |
| Pvt Gilbert, E. D. | Pvt Morenoesquivel, L. A. | Pvt Wagner, K. J. |
| Pvt Golding, R. A. | Pvt Nievescisneros, S. | PFC Walton, T. J. |
| Pvt Gonzalezdeacevedo, F. V. | Pvt Ogletree, T. G. | Pvt Watson, D. M. |
| Pvt Gravatte, J. N. | PFC Parmelee, L. M. | |
| PFC Greer, A. J. | Pvt Pchelka, Z. J. | |

PLATOON 1013

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTORSSgt M. J. Monaghan
DRILL INSTRUCTORSgt Z. K. Smith
DRILL INSTRUCTORSgt. T. N. Parker



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATEPFC E. M. Huey
HOMETOWNGaylord, MI
RECRUITED BYSgt Bowers

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTERPFC D. J. Pizzonia (325)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTORSgt Fritz

PFC Abreuhidalgo, E. R.
Pvt Agudoroman, B. L.
PFC Alicearomero, O. E.
Pvt Amaya, T. C.
PFC Arnez, C. O.
Pvt Bachman, S. J.
Pvt Beck, D. T.
Pvt Bookhammer, P. R.
Pvt Boss III, J. D.
Pvt Brackett, T. B.
Pvt Bradford, G. E.
PFC Buckman, B. L.
Pvt Buttrum Jr., D. P.
Pvt Carmenflores, A.
Pvt Castellanos, V. A.
PFC Chapin, T. A.
Pvt Charles, B. P.
PFC Crosby, C. R. *
Pvt Dale, N. G.
Pvt Desulme, L. R.
PFC Diaz, E. A.
Pvt Diazmarrero, L. R.
PFC Ferich, S. J.

Pvt Gaither, K. M.
Pvt Geouge, D. M.
Pvt Gomezburga, J. C.
Pvt Grekowicz, R. M.
PFC Guillaume, J. Z.
Pvt Hernandez, J. W.
Pvt Hill, A. A.
PFC Hill, S. A. *
PFC Huey, E. M. *
PFC Kinorchapman, C. S.
Pvt Kraft, S. J.
Pvt London, B. C.
PFC Lopezgarcia, J. F.
PFC Macayazapata, R. E. *
Pvt Markley, B. R.
Pvt Martin, J. R.
Pvt Martinez, M. L.
Pvt Mayotinoco, R.
PFC Moser III, R. L.
Pvt Nixon III, O. V.
PFC Nixon, J. S.
Pvt Outhouse, S. M.
Pvt Pizzonia, D. J.

PFC Pointzes, D. D.
Pvt Present, E.
Pvt Price, A. L.
PFC Reyes, K. A.
Pvt Rhyne, E. D.
Pvt Rivera Jr., R. M.
Pvt Roy, Z. W.
Pvt Sanchezrivera, D. L.
Pvt Santiagolugo, L. M.
PFC Schatz, J. D.
Pvt Sloan, D. A.
PFC Snead, H. A.
Pvt Taylor, W. M.
Pvt Thistlethwaite, A. F.
Pvt Trinidad, C. Y.
PFC Turnbull, C. A. *
Pvt Weinreich, C. J.
Pvt Wilburn Jr., D. L.
Pvt Williams, C. P.
Pvt Williams, J. D.
PFC Woolrich, J. C.
Pvt Zewdie, E. A.
Pvt Zheng, V.

PLATOON 1014

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt D. L. Nettles
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....GySgt C. J. Fitzgerald
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt D. A. Norman



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC J. A. Mills
HOMETOWN.....Tampa, FL
RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Merkel

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC C. M. Butler (330)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Gos

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt M. A. Zamorareyes (594)

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| Pvt Ansley, C. A. | PFC Ibarracastaneda, D. | Pvt Robertson, C. L. |
| Pvt Bembridge, D. W. | PFC Jeong, Y. | Pvt Rubright, A. T. |
| Pvt Blunschi, B. A. | PFC Jones, D. D. | PFC Saavedra, J. A. |
| Pvt Bosse, I. A. | PFC Kerich, M. S. | PFC Schimeck, G. B. |
| Pvt Brown II, C. W. | Pvt Lael, J. A. | Pvt Schuman, T. S. |
| PFC Burghardt, J. H. | Pvt Mallon IV, J. | Pvt Seagraves, Q. L. |
| PFC Butler, C. M. | Pvt Mattle, E. A. | PFC Seda, B. |
| Pvt Butterson, C. A. | Pvt Mellino, D. G. | Pvt Shidiskis, J. A. |
| Pvt Canova, J. S. | Pvt Millard, D. R. | PFC Spooner, E. K. |
| PFC Chabot, J. C. | PFC Miller, L. G. | PFC Stanley, H. T.* |
| Pvt Deleonvelasquez, V. M. | PFC Mills, J. A. | Pvt Streiff, N. A. |
| PFC Diaz, A. M. | Pvt Mulanax, J. J. | Pvt Valencia, I. E. |
| Pvt Doucet, J. C. | Pvt Murray, M. A. | PFC Viator, J. L. |
| PFC Duddy, C. J. | Pvt Muzafari, H. | Pvt Vijilportillo, J. W. |
| PFC Edwards, N. T. | PFC Nieves Jr., W. | PFC Weaver, G. N. |
| PFC Espi, W. A. | Pvt Ortegaguitierrez, H. | Pvt Welcher, M. I. |
| Pvt Ezra, L. D. | PFC Palou, J. | Pvt Young, J. R. |
| PFC Glaser, J. G. | Pvt Perezcastro, N. G. | PFC Zamorareyes, M. A. |
| Pvt Gray, K. C. | Pvt Philip, J. M. | |
| Pvt Hanks, J. C. | Pvt Plybon, J. S. | |
| Pvt Heath, A. M. | Pvt Pusloski, C. R. | |
| Pvt Herbert, A. M. | PFC Rancourt, N. V. | |
| Pvt Hill, C. M. | PFC Ristine, R. D. | |



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

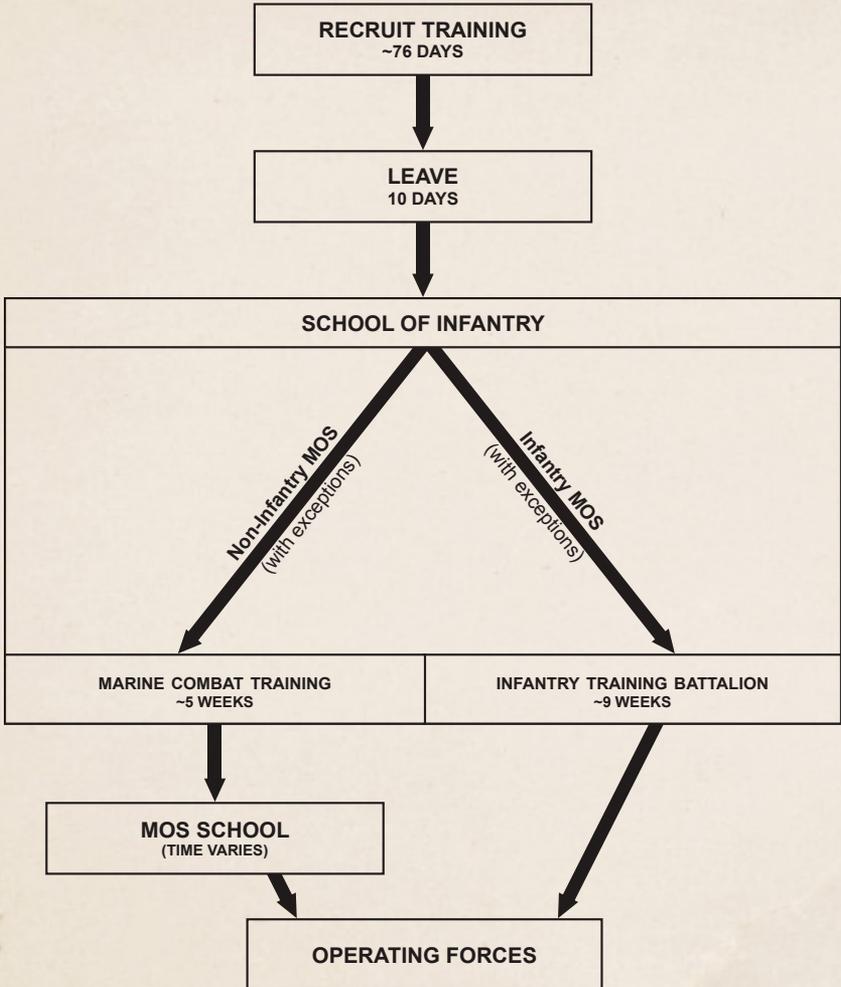
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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