



# 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

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SOUND OFF

REPORT — PUBLISH THE ORDER

OFFICERS' CENTER

COMMANDING OFFICER REMARKS

PASS IN REVIEW

RETIREMENT OF GUIDONS

INTRODUCTION OF AWARD RECIPIENTS

*MARINES' HYMN\**

FINAL DISMISSAL

\*PLEASE RISE



*“Some people live their whole lives and wonder if they have made a difference. Marines don’t have that problem.”*

**President Ronald Reagan**

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

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**01 May 2020**

**Recruit Training Regiment**

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

**3rd Recruit Training Battalion**

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Lieutenant Colonel M. L. Halligan II  
SERGEANT MAJOR.....Sergeant Major N. J. Underwood

**Commander of Troops**  
Captain K. J. Kavanagh

**Parade Adjutant**  
Captain N. D. Downy

**Company "L", 3rd Recruit Training Battalion**

COMMANDING OFFICER.....Captain K. J. Kavanagh  
COMPANY FIRST SERGEANT.....First Sergeant J. R. Mogollon  
LEAD SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain N. D. Cordova  
LEAD SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Staff Sergeant N. C. Bohne  
FOLLOW SERIES COMMANDER.....Captain M. R. Schaffer  
FOLLOW SERIES CHIEF DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Gunnery Sergeant M. D. Tomaszewski

**Drill Masters**  
Staff Sergeant G. North

**Chaplain**  
Lieutenant Junior Grade C. Baksh, USN

**Color Guard**  
Sergeant R. W. Perry      Sergeant D. L. Thompson  
Sergeant B. M. McNair      Sergeant E. Moreno

# PLATOON 3032

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt C. R. Rutherford  
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt B. E. Difolco  
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. Cuellar  
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt M. C. Venegas



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC A. S. Lamont  
 HOMETOWN.....Columbia, MD  
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Martinez

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt N. A. Tomsha (330)  
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Coup

COMPANY HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC K. A. Russel (597)

Pvt Andrzejewski, H. M.	Pvt Elhafdi, M. E.	PFC Montano, T.*
Pvt Anglin, A. M.	Pvt Engram, U. B.	PFC Myer, A. T.
Pvt Bartolo, E. A.	PFC Freeman, C. M.	PFC Poss, A. R.
PFC Beachy, A. L.*	Pvt Gallardo, D. V.	PFC Priore, M. A.
Pvt Bhandari, N.	Pvt Garcia, A.	Pvt Radchenko, A.
PFC Bradford, R. L.	Pvt Gonzalez, Y.	PFC Ray, J. J.
Pvt Brannon, E. K.	Pvt Gonzalezredrovan, L. A.	Pvt Riggins, B. M.
Pvt Brounson, B. L.	PFC Hankins, S. J.	PFC Rios, M. A.
PFC Calixrodriguez, S. Y.	Pvt Harris, S. J.	PFC Ross, M. O.
PFC Caraballo, B. M.	Pvt Henderson, A. S.	PFC Russell, K. A.
PFC Castro, E.	Pvt Hodge, C. E.	Pvt Saavedrarolon, K. B.
Pvt Castroserato, J. L.	Pvt Hunt, K. L.	Pvt Senger, M. A.
PFC Cinfo, A. A.	PFC Joseph, S. D.	PFC Silhavy, J. A.
PFC Connors, M. S.	Pvt Kayinamura, N. A.	PFC Tanner, M. H.
PFC Cooper, J. M.	Pvt King, C. M.	PFC Taylor, E. R.
PFC Croxton, D. E.*	PFC Lamont, A. S.*	Pvt Tierrafria, G. Y.
Pvt Cuff, A. T.	Pvt Lewis, K. A.	Pvt Tomsha, N. A.
Pvt Deleon, A.	Pvt Liebrecht, M. J.	Pvt Vincent, H. L.
PFC Dill, H. E.	Pvt Lopez, S. A.	Pvt Vincent, W. N.
Pvt Dosenberg, K. E.	PFC Lopezdiaz, W.	PFC Wagner, K. N.
Pvt Drinkwater, J. I.	Pvt Lua, A.	Pvt Waiters, O. R.
PFC Edwards, I. R.	Pvt Mino, J. G.	Pvt Williams, K. V.
PFC Egerton, M. S.	PFC Mizell, M. L.	PFC Woods, N. A.

\*Denotes meritorious promotion to current rank.

# PLATOON 3033

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt N. Brito  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt D. M. Lee  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt S. K. Lek



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PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC D. Z. Pace  
HOMETOWN.....Kite, GA  
RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Dylan

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PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PVT S. Jefferson (336)  
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Burkett

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PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC J. K. Senat (589)

PFC Berry, N. J.	Pvt Johnson, W. O.	PFC Whiteman, S. C.
Pvt Boardwine, A. G.	Pvt Jones, J. J.	
Pvt Bowman, C. J.	PFC Kieffer, O. R.	
PFC Charles, C.*	Pvt Leonard, J. S.	
PFC Clanton, D. R.	PFC Mace, J. A.	
Pvt Crawford, E. A.	PFC Martinez, F. J.	
Pvt Derry, Q. L.	Pvt McCoy, C. C.	
Pvt Feier, B. E.	Pvt Moran, N. C.	
PFC Furlong, T. F. *	PFC Pace, D. Z. *	
PFC Gantz, A. J.	PFC Parlin, T. Q.	
PFC Georg, T. W.	Pvt Pavonjimenez, C.	
Pvt Giorgi, S. A.	Pvt Peacock, J. T.	
Pvt Goodwin, A. L.	Pvt Peak, T. D.	
PFC Hall, J. M.	PFC Peterson, A. S.	
Pvt Hall, N. A.	Pvt Rascoe, T. A.	
PFC Hill, C. J.	Pvt Rusina, J. C.	
Pvt Hill, T. D.	PFC Senat, J. K.	
Pvt Hoesli, T. M.	Pvt Shelton, P. E.	
Pvt Hunter, T. M.	PFC Smelcer, T. W.	
PFC Iglesias, C. L.	Pvt Stinespring, D. I.	
Pvt Jackson, J. J.	Pvt StLouis, G. L.	
Pvt Jefferson, S. O.	PFC Thomas, E. S.	
Pvt Johnson, C. M.	PFC Wallace, G. F.	

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# PLATOON 3034

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....	SSgt J. M. Mast
DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....	SSgt B. K. Self
DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....	Sgt E. Chiarez
DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....	Sgt J. M. Barnes
DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....	Sgt C. J. Borghese




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COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE .....	PFC A. W. Enochs
HOMETOWN .....	Calhoun City, MS
RECRUITED BY .....	SSgt Berger

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COMPANY HIGH SHOOTER .....	Pvt D. C. Jonesrayzak (340)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR .....	Cpl Sundy

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PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT .....	PFC A. W. Enochs (596)
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Pvt Akagha, J. C.	Pvt Hawkins, C. X.	PFC Wilson, K. C.
Pvt Beaman, B. S.	Pvt Herman, X. L.	PFC Wooley, E. C.
PFC Bello, J. L.	Pvt James, B. P.	Pvt Zack, J. E.
Pvt Bohnenberger, K. F.	Pvt Jonesrayzak, D. C.	
Pvt Bowers, J. M.	Pvt Koster, S. R.	
PFC Bramlitt, T. J.	Pvt Lacroix, A. S.*	
PFC Caraballocalderon, J. A.	PFC Lage, S.	
PFC Cardoso, Y.	Pvt Lambert, A. M.	
PFC Chen, A.	Pvt Loague, D. A.	
Pvt Cidrasacevedo, A. C.	Pvt Marcantel, I. C.	
Pvt Cooley, J. T.	PFC Marlowe, R. J.	
PFC Diallo, M.	Pvt Marsh, J. A.	
Pvt Ellis, D. D.	Pvt Mata, B. T.	
PFC Enochs, A. W.*	PFC Morris, T. D.	
Pvt Francilus, K. T.	Pvt Nolting, T. J.	
Pvt Frieson, J. A.	Pvt Ortega, D. J.	
PFC Gallagher, B. M.	Pvt Pavacantillo, J. A.	
Pvt Garcia, D.	Pvt Pinson, E. A.	
Pvt Gibsonpaedian, D.	Pvt Sanders, X. A.	
Pvt Goodwin, S. J.	Pvt Schiel, J. F.*	
Pvt Gottsche, G. A.	Pvt Thomas, A. F.	
Pvt Griffin, J. R.	Pvt Weathers, A. D.	
PFC Grullonduran, A.	Pvt Williams, A. B.	

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# PLATOON 3036

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt R. Arzeta-Ferrer  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. Beatty  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. M. Galt  
DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt J. I. Christopher



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PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC G. S. Campbell II  
HOMETOWN.....Yazoo, MS  
RECRUITED BY.....Sgt Chmielewski

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PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....PFC D. C. Hyatt (337)  
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Cpl Cline

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PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....Pvt R. W. Lawton Jr. (581)

Pvt Akalanana, N. E.	Pvt Hoffman, C. S.	Pvt Wadkins, T. M.
PFC Augustin, J.	PFC Hyatt, D. C.	Pvt Wright, W. J.
Pvt Barnes Jr., S. M.	PFC Jones, W. K.	
Pct Beaman, J. M.	Pvt Ladejobi, A. I.	
Pvt Bever, D. G.	Pvt Lawton Jr, R. W.	
PFC Bufkin, S. A.	Pvt Leyva, M. L.	
PFC Burke, T. B.	PFC Lynn, W. J.	
PFC Camiloperez, V.	Pvt Macedobautista, L. E.	
PFC Campbell II, G. S.	PFC Manint, C. A.	
PFC Cardenas, J. A.*	Pvt Maud, T. J.	
PFC Carmona, J.	PFC Octave, R.	
Pvt Delph, E. M.	PFC Overstreet, J. A.	
Pvt Depaz, G. A.	PFC Pedroso, L. G.	
PFC Fearon, C. B.*	PFC Pfalzgraf, C. J.	
Pvt Flanagan, C. M.	PFC Reid, A. L.	
PFC Frazzitta, N. D.	PFC Roqueplot, K. I.*	
Pvt Galletto, N. J.	Pvt Rougeau, N. J.	
Pvt Givens, C. P.	PFC Scott, S. W.	
Pvt Gonzalez, E. H.	Pvt Strawn, C. E.	
Pvt Goodwin, J. I.	Pvt Taylor, D. E.	
Pvt Gray, A. T.	PFC Thatcher, W. P.	
PFC Guzman, F. M.	Pvt Vanstone, D. D.	
Pvt Henderson, G. M.	Pvt Vogel, S. W.	

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# PLATOON 3037

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....	SSgt D. K. Kumah
DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....	SSgt J. A. Mcneil
DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....	SSgt K. M. Atuatasi
DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....	SSgt M. D. Wahl
DRILL INSTRUCTOR .....	Sgt H. A. Sparks



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE .....	PFC H. D. Allen
HOMETOWN .....	Morrisville, NC
RECRUITED BY .....	SSgt Hopkins

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER .....	PFC J. M. Kenaston (323)
MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR .....	Sgt Sanzone

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT .....	PFC C. G. Hellstrom (293)
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PFC Allen, H. D.	Pvt Harrisonsalazar, A. G.*	PFC Torek, A. W.
Pvt Ashley, A. E.	Pvt Hellstrom, C. G.	Pvt Verikios, J. M.
PFC Atchley, W. P.	PFC Huff, M. G.	Pvt Wordlaw, L. L.
Pvt Brooks, J. M.	Pvt Jones, L. C.	
Pvt Burgos, Iii, O.	Pvt Kenaston, J. M.*	
PFC Casana, M. D.	Pvt Lafromboise, T. N.	
PvtDavis, T. D.	Pvt LeJeune, E. L.	
Pvt Davis Iii, R. J.	PFC Lopezlorenzo, Y. J.	
Pvt Detherow, R. A.*	Pvt Lucas, A. J.	
Pvt Dieter, A. M.	Pvt Milby, J. C.	
Pvt Edwards, J. A.	Pvt Morales, J. M.	
Pvt Emerson, K. A	PFC Mugwe, I.	
Pvt Fowler, Z. M.	PFC Muniz Iv, C. H.	
Pvt Fowler, N. M.	Pvt Musgrove, R. T.	
PFC Friebel, J. J.	Pvt Orellana, G. J.	
Pvt Gage, B. T.	Pvt Patterson, N. L.	
Pvt Gagnon, R. M.	Pvt Paulino, E. A.	
PFC Garcia, C. E.	Pvt Pflanz, A. R.	
PFC Gavin, M. D.	PFC Roldan, J. A.	
PFC Gearles, K. A.	PFC Sanbower, B. S.	
Pvt Gore Ii, J. N.	Pvt Segars, J. K.	
Pvt Gutierrez, A. C.	Pvt Taylor, D. M.	

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# PLATOON 3038

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt B. W. Keziah  
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt A. J. Sammons  
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt C. B. Fike  
 DRILL INSTRUCTOR.....SSgt M. Alicea Jr.



PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE.....PFC I. S. Ruegner  
 HOMETOWN.....Orlando, FL  
 RECRUITED BY.....SSgt Comer

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER.....Pvt V. Boyko (335)  
 MARKSMANSHIP INSTRUCTOR.....Sgt Hicks

PLATOON HIGH COMBINED PFT/CFT.....PFC A. J. Letica (556)

PFC Ayers, S. C.	Pvt Mendoza, J. E.	PFC Soto, Y. J.
Pvt Bader, Z. T.	PFC Monaghan, S. M.	PFC Stogner, B. A.
PFC Berfet, A. M.*	Pvt Monjerodriguez, L.	Pvt Sweigart, D. G.
Pvt Boyko, V.	Pvt Morris, S. A.	Pvt Tavicojuan, W. X.
Pvt Bradley, T.	Pvt Mulach, B. W.	PFC Vargas, M. A.
Pvt Brooks, S. M.	PFC Munson, W. A.	Pvt Villegasherrera, J.
Pvt Brown, L. R.	PFC Osei, F. B.	Pvt Watson, D. J.
PFC Bruccoleri, S. J.	Pvt Osgood, M.	Pvt Wittler, R. A.
Pvt Caguanapalaguachi, F. R.	Pvt Pattison, L. D.	
Pvt Clark, N. R.	Pvt Peacock, J. B.	
PFC Delaney, T. A.	Pvt Pekrul, A. P.	
PFC Dooley, J. P.*	Pvt Pierce III, J. B.	
PFC Ely, D. J.	PFC Quinteros, O. N.	
Pvt Fadipe, O. A.	Pvt Ramirez, W. A.	
Pvt Forsythe, K. H.	PFC Ransom, A. J.	
Pvt Freiberger, D. J.	Pvt Reyes, R. W.	
Pvt Houghtaling IV, R. L.	Pvt Riostoro, S.	
Pvt Jones III, J. T.	Pvt Rodriguezjimenez, L. D.	
Pvt Landing, R. E.	PFC Rodriguezruiz, P. J.	
PFC Letica, A. J.*	PFC Ruegner, S. I.	
Pvt Maddalena, D. V.	PFC Ruiz, J. D.	
PFC Mesparron, S. M.	Pvt Sears, M. G.	

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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***

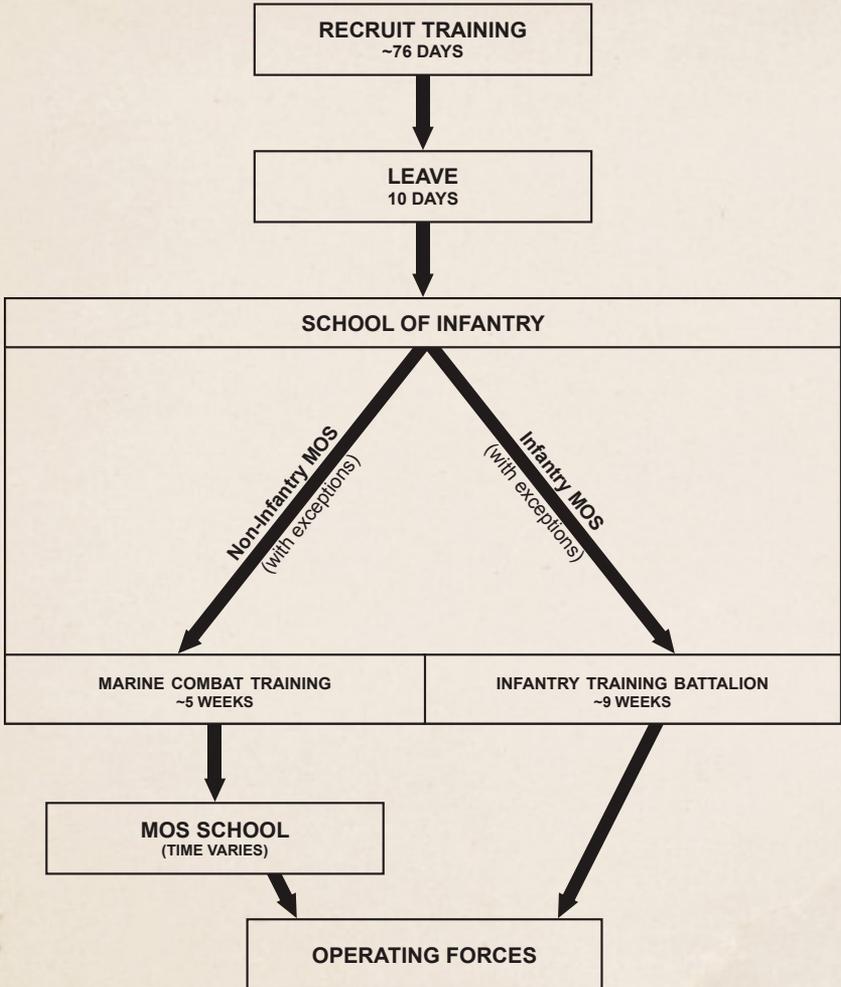
As a basic Marine, imbued with our Core Values, you now represent our Corps. You are expected to exemplify personal character, selflessness, and military virtue. Ensure you stay mentally, morally, and physically prepared to embark on your next challenge of becoming a basic rifleman. Conduct yourself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



Review photos from today's graduation at the official Parris Island Facebook page.  
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