Welcome

Today's graduation ceremony recognizes the successful transition from civilian to basic Marine and consists of a traditional military parade followed by special recognition for those who have excelled while in Recruit Training and final dismissal.

After the graduation ceremony, we encourage you to visit the Command Museum across the parade deck. For your dining convenience, we offer the bowling alley, snack bar, and the individual food vendors at the Marine Corps Exchange.

Due to security concerns, our guests are not allowed into the recruit training areas to include the recruit barracks and physical training areas.

The mission of the Recruit Depot and the Western Recruiting Region is to exercise operational control of enlisted recruiting operations in the 8th, 9th, and 12th Marine Corps Districts; to provide reception, processing, and recruit training for enlisted personnel following initial entry into the United States Marine Corps; and to produce a basically trained United States Marine embodied with the fighting spirit, core values and esprit de corps which have ensured our Corps' success for over 240 years.

The unique relationship between the Marine Corps Recruit Depot and San Diego is the result of almost 150 years of mutual support, assistance and growth. This relationship is reflected in the history of the Marine Corps in San Diego, the Depot as a post of the Corps, and the heritage of San Diego itself.

Above all else. We Make Marines.



SEQUENCE OF EVENTS

BAND SERENADE

CHAPLAIN'S PRAYER *

"ATTENTION", "ADJUTANT'S CALL" AND MARCH-ON

THE NATIONAL ANTHEM *

SOUND OFF

PRESENTATION OF THE COMMAND TO THE COMMANDER OF TROOPS

REPORT

PUBLICATION OF THE ORDER AND OFFICERS CENTER

BATTALION COMMANDER'S REMARKS

PRESENTATION OF THE COMMAND TO THE REVIEWING OFFICER

PASS IN REVIEW (PLEASE RISE WHEN THE AMERICAN FLAG PASSES)

Anchors Aweigh/The Marines' Hymn *

GRADUATES RETURN FRONT AND CENTER

RECOGNITION OF THE COMPANY STAFF

RETIREMENT OF THE PLATOON GUIDONS AND RECOGNITION OF HONOR GRADUATES

FINAL DISMISSAL

* PLEASE RISE

Marine Corps Recruit Depot

A few weeks after establishing Camp Howard on North Island in San Diego, Col. Joseph Pendleton, on September 6, 1914, was the guest speaker at the U. S. Grant Hotel in downtown San Diego. The subject of his speech was "San Diego, an ideal location for a Permanent Marine Corps Base." The drive behind his lecture was the unsatisfactory conditions and the less than convenient location of his staff at Camp Howard. About this same time, Col. Pendleton wrote to the Commandant of the Marine Corps at Washington D. C. about the deplorable conditions at Camp Howard and presented the idea of the possible establishment of a permanent Marine Corps Base in San Diego.

The Navy General Board approved the establishment of a base on January 8, 1916 and the Marine Corps' base on the bay tidelands called the Dutch Flats was authorized by a Naval appropriation bill of August 29, 1916, in large part due to the efforts of Congressman William Kettner. Groundbreaking on 232 acres took place on March 2, 1919. Construction and occupation of the base took place from 1919 through 1926. On December 1, 1921, Pendleton (now a General), placed it into commission as the Marine Advanced Expeditionary Base, San Diego. In 1923, the Marine Recruit Depot for the west coast relocated from Mare Island Navy Shipyards in Vallejo, CA, to its new home at the San Diego Marine Base. On March 1, 1924, the base that had been developed as a result of the vision and efforts of General Pendleton became, officially, Marine Corps Base, San Diego, and would be known by that name for the next twenty-four years.

The base now consisted of approximately 388 acres, of which some 367 acres had been reclaimed tidal area. Throughout World War II, the principal activity of the base, recruit training overshadowed all other functions. After the war, the recruit training detachment remained the principal tenant. Marine Corps Base San Diego has been home to the 4th, 6th and 10th Marine Regiments, the Fleet Marine Force and the 2nd Marine Division. However, the main focus of the base has always been training and "the making of Marines." On January 1, 1948, Marine Corps Base, San Diego was officially renamed Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego. The Recruit Training Command grew from three to eight battalions to handle the troop requirements for the Korean War. More than 700 Quonset huts were erected to handle the influx of recruits, some of which are still standing today. The Vietnam War caused the next period of major expansion. A 100-tent cantonment had to be erected to handle the overflow of recruits. Five new recruit barracks, a new dining hall, new bowling alley, a new Regional Dental and Medical Clinic were constructed on the Depot. In the 1970's the focus increased to include the recruiting effort and the Depot became Headquarters, Western Recruiting Region.

Today, the Recruit Depot provides its nation's Corps with basically trained Marines to fight in the current conflicts around the world. The Depot has the responsibility to train all recruits who reside west of the Mississippi River to serve at the call of the nation.

Known for its unique Spanish colonial revival style appearance, the overall site and specific building plans were developed by renowned architect, Bertram Goodhue, who also designed the buildings built in San Diego's Balboa Park for the 1915 Panama-California Exposition.

Thirteen buildings have been named for famous Marines, such as Daly Barracks, Pendleton Hall, Lejuene Hall, McDougall Hall and Day Hall. Today, the depot has 388 acres and Twenty-five buildings listed on the national register of historic places.

The Gommanding Officer of Recruit Training Regiment



On behalf of Brigadier General Jason L. Morris, Commanding General, Marine Corps Recruit Depot and Western Recruiting Region, and the Marines, Sailors and civilian Marines of Recruit Training Regiment, welcome to this morning's graduation ceremony. Your presence here today is greatly appreciated. As we recognize your Marine's significant accomplishment, enjoy this special day in their life.

Marine Corps recruit training is the most difficult recruit training in the Nation and a tough undertaking for all who accept the challenge to become a United States Marine. Before you this morning is the latest company of Marines who have succeeded in that challenge. We are

here to celebrate with you their twelve weeks. Your Marine has been prepared physically, mentally and emotionally in a time-tested process whereby they have been transformed from civilian to Marine. Many are responsible for this significant transformation to include the families, loved ones and teachers who provided the basic values and character as a foundation and the Marine Recruiter who saw the potential and desire to excel. But the person most responsible for the changes is the Marine Corps Drill Instructor. They have labored intensively for the past three months, personally sacrificing much in the process, to ensure each new Marine is instilled with the essential fitness, character and values necessary on and off the battlefield. Each of the new Marines recognized today has passed the test, exceeded the standards and earned the title Marine. The lessons learned in recruit training, coupled with our core values, will serve them well for their time in the Marine Corps... and for the rest of their lives. I am confident in their ability to meet any challenge that confronts them.

Thank you for being here. I trust you will enjoy the rest of your visit to MCRD and the San Diego area and that you will take some time to tour the Recruit Depot to relive some of your Marine's experiences. Please accept my thanks for your love and support for your Marine and our best wishes for a happy stay and safe return home.

Gratefully,

J. W. Jones Colonel, U. S. Marine Corps

FLAG ETIQUETTE

The United States Marine Corps has long established a tradition of rendering proper honors and courtesies to the American Flag with ceremony and decorum. If this is your first visit to a military installation, we would like to acquaint you with the "Flag Etiquette" and welcome you to join us in showing courtesy to our Flag as defined by U.S. Code Title 4 and 36, and as observed aboard Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego.

In observance of U.S. Code Title 4 and 36, individuals in uniform, members of the armed forces not in uniform, and military veterans may render a military salute to the American Flag while it is being hoisted, being lowered, passing by. The same courtesies should be rendered while the National Anthem is played.

Gentlemen wearing hats who do not render a salute to the flag should remove their head gear and on the first note of the National Anthem, place their right hand over their heart until the last note of the National Anthem.

Ladies are not required to remove their headdress. On the first note of the National Anthem, ladies should stand, face the flag, and place their right hand over their heart until the last note of the National Anthem. All present should remain standing until the last note of the National Anthem is played.

If the Flag is not visible during the National Anthem, please stand and face the sound of the music. If driving during Morning or Evening Colors, persons in vehicles within sight or hearing of the ceremony should halt the vehicle at the side of the road, and remain inside the vehicle until the final bugle call "Carry On" is sounded.

When Honors are being rendered to the Flag, or while it is passing in a parade of review, it is considered disrespectful to smoke, talk, to take pictures, or to be involved in boisterous or noisy activity. If you are in doubt ask the military personnel about appropriate courtesies at any time, or look around. The immediate vicinity will guide your actions.

Marine Corps Values

WHY WE SUCCEED.

Generation after generation of American men and women have given special meaning to the title United States Marine. These men and women live by a set of Core Values, which forms the bedrock of their character. Core Values give Marines strength and regulate their behavior; they bind the Marine Corps into a total force that can meet any challenge... and succeed.

Honor

Honor 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; and to respect human dignity. It is the quality of maturity, dedication, trust and dependability that compels Marines to act responsibly; to hold themselves and each other accountable for their actions; and to fulfill their obligations.

Courage

Courage is the mental, moral and physical strength ingrained in Marines. It carries them through the challenges of combat and helps them overcome fear. Likewise, it is the inner strength that enables a Marine to do what is right; to adhere to a higher standard of personal conduct; and to make tough decisions under stress and pressure.

COMMITMENT

Commitment is the spirit of selfless determination and dedication found in Marines. It leads to the highest order of discipline for individuals and units. It is the ingredient that enables 24-hour a day dedication to Corps and country. It inspires the unrelenting determination to achieve a high standard of excellence in every endeavor.



Larade Reviewing Officer



Sergeant Major Terrence C. Whitcomb

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Sergeant Major Whitcomb began Marine Corps Recruit Training on September 14, 1993 at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, California with Charlie Company, 1st Recruit Training Battalion. He was meritoriously promoted to Private First Class and graduated Recruit Training on December 10, 1993. Following graduation from recruit training, Private First Class Whitcomb attended Marine

Combat Training (MCT) aboard Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, California. Upon completion of Marine Combat Training, Private First Class Whitcomb attended the Personnel Administrative Clerk Course at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina in February 1994. On May 1994, Private First Class Whitcomb reported to 3d Combat Engineer Battalion, 3d Marine Division Okinawa, Japan to perform duties as a Battalion Personnel Clerk. He was promoted to the rank of Lance Corporal in June 1994.

On May 1995, Lance Corporal Whitcomb reported to Marine Wing Support Squadron 374, Marine Wing Support Group 37, 3d Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station Tustin, California to perform duties as a Squadron Personnel Clerk. On April 1996, he was promoted to the rank of Corporal. On January 1998, he was selected as Marine Wing Support Squadron 374's Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year for calendar year 1997. On February 1998, he was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and assumed the billet of the Administrative Chief for the Squadron.

On June 1998, Sergeant Whitcomb reported to Inspector Instructor Staff, Omaha, Nebraska to perform duties as a Personnel Clerk. On February 2001, Sergeant Whitcomb graduated Sergeants Course, Marine Corps Base, Quantico, Virginia as the Gung Ho recipient. On April 2001, Sergeant Whitcomb was selected as the Nebraska Navy League Marine of the Year.

On July 2001, Sergeant Whitcomb reported to Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, California to attend Drill Instructor School, Class 4-01. Upon completion of Drill Instructor School, Sergeant Whitcomb was recognized as a distinguished graduate. On October 2001, Sergeant Whitcomb reported to Kilo Company, 3d Recruit Training Battalion to serve as a Drill Instructor. He was promoted to Staff Sergeant in November 2001. During this tour, he held the billets of Drill Instructor, Senior Drill Instructor, Series Gunnery Sergeant and Instructor for Drill Instructor School. On October 2003, he was meritoriously promoted to the rank of Gunnery Sergeant, as a result of being selected as the Marine Corps Drill Instructor of the Year.

Parade Reviewing Officer (cont.)

On May 2005, Gunnery Sergeant Whitcomb reported to Marine Aircraft Group 39, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station, Camp Pendleton, California to perform duties as an Administrative Chief at the Marine Aircraft Group 39, Consolidated Personnel Administration Center. On June 2005, Gunnery Sergeant Whitcomb was reassigned to Marine Light Attack Helicopter Squadron 169, Marine Aircraft Group 39, 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing, Marine Corps Air Station, Camp Pendleton, California to perform duties as the Squadron Administrative Chief. During this tour, Gunnery Sergeant Whitcomb deployed with the Squadron in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom IV 05.07.

On February 2007, First Sergeant Whitcomb reported to 1st Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, California for duty as Company First Sergeant, Alpha Company. During this tour, First Sergeant Whitcomb deployed with the battalion in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom V 06.07; and the 15th Marine Expeditionary Unit (WESTPAC), Battalion Landing Team 1/1. On September 2009, First Sergeant Whitcomb reported to Inspector-Instructor Staff, 3d Air Naval Gunfire Liaison Company, Marine Forces Reserve, Bell, California for duty as Inspector Instructor First Sergeant.

In November 2011, Sergeant Major Whitcomb was selected to his present rank. From May 2012 to June 2014, Sergeant Major Whitcomb served as Battalion Sergeant Major, 2d Recruit Training Battalion, Recruit Training Regiment, Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, California. From June 2014 to June 2015, Sergeant Major Whitcomb served as Battalion Sergeant Major, 3d Assault Amphibian Battalion, 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, California. From June 2015 to July 2016, Sergeant Major Whitcomb served as Sergeant Major, Marine Corps Training Mission, United Arab Emirates. From July 2016 to May 2018, Sergeant Major Whitcomb served as Sergeant Major Ist Marine Regiment, 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, California. During this tour, Sergeant Major Whitcomb deployed in support of the Command Element, Special Purpose Marine Air Ground Task Force, Crisis-Response, Central Command 17.2. From June 2018 to May 2021, Sergeant Major Whitcomb served as 1st Marine Division Sergeant Major, Camp Pendleton, California. On May 2021, Sergeant Major Whitcomb assumed the post as the I Marine Expeditionary Force Sergeant Major.

He possesses a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Criminal Justice Administration from National University, a graduate of Keystone Class 18-2, resident Senior Enlisted Professional Military Education Course 2-10, Quantico, Virginia, and distinguished graduate of the resident Navy Senior Enlisted Academy, Class 157, Naval War College, Newport, Rhode Island. He completed Army Basic Airborne Course, United States Army Infantry Center, Fort Benning, Georgia.

Sergeant Major Whitcomb's personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal with four gold stars in lieu of fourth award, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal with three gold stars in lieu of third award.

AWARDS

COMPANY HONOR GRADUATE AWARD

The one Marine in the company who has demonstrated the highest degree of discipline, proficiency, bearing, physical fitness, and basic leadership traits that exemplify the highest standards of the United States Marine Corps is presented with a plaque from the Marine Corps Association denoting that they are number one Marine in their company. The company honor graduate also receives a Certificate of Commendation from the Commanding Officer of Recruit Training Regiment recognizing their superior performance during recruit training.

SERIES HONOR GRADUATE AWARD

The one Marine in their series who has demonstrated the highest degree of discipline, proficiency, bearing, physical fitness, and basic leadership traits that exemplify the highest standards of the United States Marine Corps is presented with a Certificate of Commendation from the Commanding Officer of Recruit Training Battalion recognizing their superior performance during recruit training.

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE AWARD

The one Marine in their platoon who has demonstrated the highest degree of discipline, proficiency, bearing, physical fitness, and basic leadership traits that exemplify the highest standards of the United States Marine Corps will receive a plaque from the Marine Corps Association denoting that they are the honor graduate of their platoon.

MARKSMANSHIP AWARD

The one Marine in the company who fired the highest score on the Rifle Range is awarded a plaque from the Marine Corps Association stating that they are the high shooter in the company. The company high shooter also receives a certificate from the Company Commander denoting that they're the company high shooter.

PHYSICAL EXCELLENCE AWARD

The one Marine in the company that receives the highest score on the Physical Fitness Test is awarded a certificate from the Company Commander denoting that they're the most physically fit Marine in their company.

MERITORIOUS PROMOTION

Those Marines who have demonstrated a high degree of proficiency and have shown exceptional leadership ability may be promoted meritoriously to the grade of Private First Class or Lance Corporal. **The Marines noted in this program with asterisks by their names have been promoted meritoriously to their present grade.**(EX.) PFC* C. M. COLBURN

MARINE

"Among all the honors, among all the postings, promotions, medals, that have been awarded me, the one in which I take most pride is to be able to say, I am a Marine."

-Major General John A. Lejeune, 13th Commandant of the Marine Corps

GRADUATION STAFF

MARINE CORPS RECRUIT DEPOT/ WESTERN RECRUITING REGION

Commanding General Brigadier General J. L. Morris
Chief of Staff Colonel E. R. Sullivan
Sergeant Major Sergeant Major A. T. Leal
Parade Reviewing Officer Sergeant Major T. C. Whitcomb

RECRUIT TRAINING REGIMENT

Commanding Officer
Executive Officer
Sergeant Major
Regimental Drill Master
Narrator
Colonel J. W. Jones
Lieutenant Colonel L. S. Woo
Sergeant Major P. F. Agan Jr.
Gunnery Sergeant R. D. Martinez
Staff Sergeant M. Garcia

THIRD RECRUIT TRAINING BATTALION

Commanding Officer
Executive Officer
Major T. W. Toalston
Sergeant Major
Sergeant Major E. D. Ramirez
Chaplain
Battalion Drill Master
Lieutenant B. J. McCreanor
Staff Sergeant J. E. Jean

COMPANY K

Commanding Officer Captain A. B. Cryster
Company First Sergeant First Sergeant F. Velasquez

LEAD SERIES

Series Commander First Lieutenant J. F. Hunt Chief Drill Instructor Staff Sergeant H. J. Cruz

FOLLOW SERIES

Series Commander Captain A. B. Nguyen
Chief Drill Instructor Staff Sergeant D. J. Martinez

MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Band Conductor Drum Major Chief Warrant Officer 2 A. J. Panos Staff Sergeant K. Kearney

COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer Sergeant N. T. Tillman
Organizational Color Bearer Sergeant T. I. Peete
Rifle Bearer Sergeant K. L. Yarbrough
Rifle Bearer Sergeant M. A. Cruz

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT Z. E. BROWN

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT R. TORRES SERGEANT F. J. GRACE SERGEANT A. GUERRERO SERGEANT G. RIVERA

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS S. DAGNINO (300)

	PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER	PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE			
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. H. NGUYEN (336)		PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. CARILLO			
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL MAZZARATO					
PFC	H. J. BARRON	PVT	5		
PFC	F. J. BOUCK	PVT	W. P. MCDONNALBEASLEY		
PFC	J. D. BURKE	PVT	D. MENDOZA		
PVT	B. CALIXTO	PVT	R. D. MORGAN		
PVT	I. C. CANALES	PFC	D. H. NGUYEN		
PFC	A. R. CANO	PVT	E. E. ORTIZROMERO		
PFC*	C. CARILLO	PFC	D. L. PICKLER		
PVT	A. I. CASTANEDA	PVT	B. W. POWLISON		
PFC	R. L. CASTILLO	PVT	A. E. RAMIREZ		
PVT	Z. D. CODAY	PVT	D. RAMIREZ		
PVT	A. J. COSTELLO	PFC	J. L. RIOS		
PFC*	S. DAGNINO	PVT	E. F. RIVERA		
PVT	F. DELARIVA	PVT	A. ROSALES		
PVT	K. H. ELLIS	PVT	J. ROSENMAN		
PFC	G. J. GARCIASANTAMARINA	PFC	I. SALCEDA		
PVT	A. J. GRZEIAK	PFC	C. J. SCHROEDER		
PVT	P. J. JANSEN	PVT	E. R. SIMS		
PVT	J. JIMENEZ	PVT	A. L. SMITH		
PFC	G. R. JOHNSON	PFC	C. E. TORRESESCALAN		
PVT	E. E LEYVALEYVA	PFC*	D. I. YAMADA		
PVT	A. LIEN	PVT	F. ZARCOARROYO		
PVT	A. LUCEROCABRERA	PFC	M. D. PORTER		

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT Z. V. RAKER

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT C. K. BANKS STAFF SERGEANT J. L. DUNN STAFF SERGEANT C. M. MARTINEZ

SERGEANT D. L. WASHINGTON PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE A. J. PRECIADO (294)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. A. MARRS (337) INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT J. W. FARWELL		PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. ADESSA RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT LAWSON		
PVT	N. I. ACEVEDO	PFC	R. E. KNIGHT	
PFC*	J. ADESSA	PVT	V. M. MACIAS	
PVT	H. A. ALEJANDRES	PFC	G. I. MARQUEZ	
PFC	T. J. ARMSTRONG	PFC	J. A. MARRS	
PVT	S. BARRERA	PVT	G. I. MENCHACA	
PVT	R. N. BEDFORD	PVT	D. MORENO	
PVT	R. A. BERGEMANN	PFC	N. L. NELSON	
PVT	B. T. BOYDSTUN	PVT	J. R. NOVERASBAUTISTA	
PVT	D. J. BRAND	PFC	D. T. PETERSON	
PVT	E. J. BRAND	PVT	A. J. PRECIADO	
PVT	D. C. CLEMENTS	PFC	T. M. PRETRICK	
PVT	D. B. COSTELLO	PVT	E. D. REED	
PVT	C. D. CRABBS	PVT	D. L. REYNHOUT	
PFC	L. E. CUNDY	PFC*	Z. R. ROBERTS	
PFC	R. A. DAWSON	PVT	S. M. RULO	
PVT	J. R. DREW	PVT	D. M. RUSS	
PVT	C. A. FALCON	PVT	M. A. SALAZAR	
PFC	A. S. FANGERS	PVT	J. G. SANDOVALTAVERA	
PVT	M. R. GAMMILL	PFC	B. M. SCHOUTEN	
PVT	K. M. GRAFF	PVT	B. C. SNETHEN	
PVT	T. L. HUBBARD	PFC	A. G. SNOW	
PFC	J. R. JACKSON	PFC	C. J. STOCKTON	
PVT	B. N. JENNINGS	PVT	J. B. TORRES	
PVT	H. S. JOHNSON	PVT	M. R. WATSON	
PVT	J. G. JUAREZ	PVT	J. L. WELLMAN	

Meritorious Promotion * Meritorious Promotion *

A. J. KAPHAN

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT J. A. CORTEZ

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT S. P. HAMMAN STAFF SERGEANT C. A. MUNOZ STAFF SERGEANT C. A. PERKINS STAFF SERGEANT D. A. RODRIGUEZ

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE L. M. MACEDORODRIGUEZ (297)

	PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER VATE FIRST CLASS K. D. BORONG (338) STRUCTOR: SERGEANT D. J. DEVILIN	PRIV	PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE ATE FIRST CLASS G. C. BUCKINGHAM CRUITED BY: SERGEANT S. SEEDER		PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER IVATE FIRST CLASS K. T. COBB (337) STRUCTOR: CORPORAL E MINJIVAR	PR	PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE IVATE FIRST CLASS E. A. BENWELL CRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT LEAL
PFC PVT PVT PFC PFC* PFC* PVT PVT PVT PVT PVT PFC PVT PVT PFC PVT PVT PFC PVT PFC PVT PFC PFC	R. AGUILAR J. D. ALBIN B. ALFARO G. A. ANDREWS S. G. BARNES K. D. BORONG G. C. BUCKINGHAM A. P. CARSELL J. CATRODIAZ M. A. CORTES D. C. DAYRIT K. R. ELIAS J. J. EVANS M. J. FENDER M. D. GARCIAALVAREZ P. A. GOMEZ A. GONZALEZARREDONDO A. GUADALUPEMEZA C. P. GUZMAN M. A. HERNANDEZ J. R. HYLAND D. T. ILDEFONZO	PVT PVT PFC* PVT PFC PVT	A. E. MACY J. D. MEDINA D. S. MERAZ L. M. MOORE J. L. MURPHY J. OCHOA M. S. PERRY T. E. PIPLACK A. A. RAMSDELL O. G. ROA M. RODRIGUES A. J. RODRIGUES J. V. SAAVEDRA J. S. SAHOTA B. P. SALINAS M. J. SANCHEZ K. V. SANDERS K. N. SANDERS K. N. SANDERS K. N. SANDOVAL J. SEPULVEDA J. W. SIVERLY J. R. SOLIS	PVT PVT PFC* PVT PFC PFC PVT PFC PFC PFC* PVT PVT PFC PVT PVT PFC PVT PVT PVT PFC* PVT	C. P. AUBUCHON A. ALMANZAAVALOS E. A. BENWELL G. A. CABALLERO J. T. CHASE-HAUGEN S. A. CHRISTIE K. T. COBB C. J. DALLMANN M. O. DEWEY T. B. GOLDEN V. A. GONZALEZ J. HALL N. D. HAMMOND S. K. HARRIS C. M. HOUSTON C. L HURD K. S. JARAARIAS N. L. JOHNSON J. D. LIMIO	PFC PVT	J. W. MORGENSTERN J. J. MURRAY C. R. OHALLORAN A. J. PAGARAN A. K. PETERSON B. M. PIRSCH N. J. RAMIREZ R. J. RIOS E. L. ROBBINS K. W. ROGERS J. J. ROMERO B. J. ROTHER B. J. SELBY J. H. SEVIER B. E. SHIPLEY A. C. THOMPSON V. B. TRUJILLO E. B. TUPPER L. J. TURNER T. VANG
PVT PVT PVT PFC* PVT	D. I. ILDEFUNZO A. JAMIE C. L. JUAREZ E. E. JUAREZ C. J. KAMPER L. M. MACEDORODRIGUEZ	PVT PFC PFC PVT PVT	J. R. SOLIS B. N. SPARKS T. A. STURGES A. D. VANN J. C. YZAGUIRRE	PVT PFC PFC PFC PVT	J. D. LIMIO O. A. LUNA K. E. MELTON H. M. MONCIVAIS A. R. MOOMAW O. MORFINTEJEDA	PVT PVT PVT PFC PFC	C. VERA M. E. VILLARREAL E. T. WILLIAMS A. FARIAS F. THIAM

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT N. PENTONY

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT E. G. AMANA SERGEANT T. E. GILDROY SERGEANT R. A. LACAYO SERGEANT C. T. PAYNE

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE J. T. CHASE-HAUGEN (291)

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Phase II

PHASE II - RECRUIT TRAINING

We have enhanced recruit training by amplifying Core Values instruction and introducing The Crucible. A key element to the recent changes in recruit training is more time for the drill instructors to focus on character development with an emphasis on selflessness and teamwork.

There are 28 hours of programmed instruction on Core values; however, the most powerful values exchange may very well come from the increased one-on-one time with the drill instructors who teach and demonstrate values such as selflessness, determination, loyalty and integrity.

The Crucible, in part, is the manifestation of the intangible values training that have taken place earlier in recruit training. It permeates the entire evolution, forging the selflessness, teamwork and Core Values concepts deep into each recruit. The Crucible is a 54-hour event that is designed to test a recruit's mind, body, and spirit. It is a series of eight events revolving around obstacles, warrior stations, movement courses, and reaction problems tackled over a

grueling 40-mile course. Sleep and food deprivation add to the rigor of the course, which is primarily designed to develop teamwork and camaraderie through shared hardship. Each warrior station is named after a Marine Corps hero whose actions epitomize the values we want all Marines to internalize. As a touchstone, this experience in values and hardship can be drawn upon in any challenge they might



Phase III & IV

PHASE III - MOS SCHOOLS

After graduating from recruit training, and taking a well deserved ten days of leave, the new Marines report into the School of Infantry (SOI). SOI and consequent follow-on schools give the new Marines the technical expertise they need to excel in their Military Occupational Specialties (MOS) and the Fleet Marine Force (FMF).

Phase IV - Sustaining The Transformation

All muscles atrophy without exercise; so too with character. Once started on a path of character development, there is no stopping. We are always developing our character until the day we die. The sustainment process continues Core Values training within units and is incorporated in all that we do as Marines, complementing a renewed emphasis on warfighting, combat leadership, and the concepts of responsibility and accountability.



THE TRANSFORMED AMERICAN

The Corps has a long established pattern of Marines who have left the active duty ranks to become strong leaders in their communities and for the nation and we will continue to send men and women of strong character and values back to society. These Marines will carry the legacy of high character, like those Marines who are presently doing great things for our nation. We have received countless letters from influential public leaders who are veterans. They give testimony to the direct connection between the character traits they forged in the Corps and their success and fulfillment in life. End result: We will continue to provide society with people of great character, whether they do four or forty years in the Marine Corps

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

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FC	R. R. BOOCZKO	PVT	J. I. MORSE
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PFC	B. C. GROVE	PVT	D. B. WARNER
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WHY THE TRANSFORMATION?

The most important things the Marine Corps does for our nation is to make Marines and win battles. The Corps is a versatile, force-in-readiness prepared to handle a variety of missions. We continue to be a force rich in history and traditions, ingrained with the highest values of honor, courage and commitment.



At the very time when a host of factors is tending to undermine individual character development in society, Marines are facing an operational environment which requires stronger character and moral virtue. We live and operate in a world that is proving to be increasingly complex and interconnected. As a result, the Corps is in the midst of an evolution of the uses of force that

are not quite war, not quite peace, not quite conventional peace, not quite conventional military operations, and not quite operations, and not quite civil police duties.

The Nation is committing Marines to a wide range of scenarios, from

peacekeeping operations in Somalia to non-combatant evacuation operations in Liberia, to more conventional conflicts like Operation ENDURING FREEDOM in Afghanistan and Operation IRAQI FREEDOM in Iraq. Operations such as these involve independent units confronted by situations that have operational and strategic implications. The battlefield is becoming so technologically advanced that weapon systems



will be able to kill by smell, sight or sound. In order to ensure success in these situations, we have looked to the Marines of the past to see what made them successful in battles like Belleau Wood, Iwo Jima and the Chosin Reservoir.



The answer was strong character and a fighting spirit that overcame all obstacles. This is what will allow us to dominate the high tech and diverse battlefields of the future. This will allow us to win America's military battles and to send transformed Americans home to strengthen the very fabric of our society.

Quite simply, we are continuing to focus on and to enhance the root source of a Marine's indomitable fighting spirit: their determination to overcome any obstacle that stands in their way, fueled by unshakeable honor, courage, and commitment.

Phase I

How We Are Doing IT

We believe that new Marines need to be forged in a furnace of shared hardship, mutual commitment, and teamwork. This common, intense experience creates bonds of comradeship and cohesion so strong that Marines will refuse to let each other down. This forging of character, discipline, and fitness will continue to be the basis upon which we make Marines. Holding onto the high character of the Marines of the past, we look for ways to inculcate the strong values that have become synonymous with the Marine Corps. We are attacking the character development challenge in four phases: Recruiting, Recruit Training, MOS Schools, and Sustainment.



PHASE I - RECRUITING

Inculcating these character traits starts in the recruiting process. Recruiting duty is a vital assignment in the Marine Corps. Marine Recruiters take it seriously and feel a great responsibility to fulfill the job to the best of their ability. Many Marines say that recruiting duty is among the most rewarding assignments they have had as a Marine, because they are helping to ensure the high standards and future of our Corps.

Most Marine Recruiters have earned the rank of Sergeant or above, which means they have had four or more years of experience in the Marine Corps serving in one of several hundred Military Occupational Specialties (MOS). They know what it means to serve as a Marine. Meeting a Marine Recruiter

gives you personal access to someone who has lived and served in the Marine Corps. No matter where you are in the decision-making process, talking to a recruiter can give you more information. You are under no obligation when speaking to a Marine Corps Recruiter, as he or she knows the importance of the decision, and will help determine if you are right for the Marine Corps—and if the Marine Corps is right for you.

First, we recruit young men and women who have demonstrated potential and commitment. Then we prepare them through physical fitness and ready them for the intense forging they will experience in recruit training. Most enlistees spend up to 12 months in the Delayed Entry Program preparing to undergo recruit training and become Marines.



Their preparation includes physical conditioning, study guides, introduction to Marine Corps history and tradition and, most importantly, introduction to Core Values. The bottom line is we are paying more attention to a prospective Marine's character and fitness during screening.