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 Officers



Colonel
Thomas M. Bedell

UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS

Colonel Thomas M. Bedell graduated from the College of William and Mary in 1993 with degrees in English Literature and Sociology, and from the University of Manchester, UK in 1994 with a Master's in Economic and Social Studies. He then spent two years fighting forest fires with the US Forest Service.

Colonel Bedell completed The Basic School and the Infantry Officer Course in 1997, primary flight training in 1998, jet training in 1999, and AV8B training in 2001. From 2002 to 2005 Colonel Bedell served with VMA-214 "The World Famous Blacksheep" as Logistics Officer, Powerline Officer, and Airframes Officer. He deployed to Al Jaber, Kuwait in 2003 in support of Iraqi Freedom, and to Al Asad, Iraq in 2004 as part of the 11th MEU. After attending the Expeditionary Warfare School he joined VMA-211 "The Wake Island Avengers" from 2006 to 2009 where he served as Quality Assurance Officer, Pilot Training Officer, Weapons and Tactics Instructor, and Maintenance Officer. He deployed with the Avengers to Iraq in 2006, and to Japan in 2009 as part of the 31st MEU.

From 2009 to 2011 Colonel Bedell served as Aide de Camp to the Deputy Commandant for Aviation and as Harrier Requirements Officer. He then attended the Naval War College earning an M.A. in National Strategic Studies. He then completed a Joint tour serving as the Operations Officer for the United States Special Operations Command Wargame Center from 2012-2014.

Colonel Bedell commanded VMR-1, "The Roadrunners", from 2014 to 2016 followed by a year as the 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing Current Operations Officer. He attended the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies as a CMC Fellow, earning a Master's of International Public Policy. He was then assigned to Marine Forces Korea where he served as the Liaison to the 7th Air Force at Osan Air Base, South Korea. He previously served as the Director of the CMC Safety Division before taking the command of Marine Corps Air Station Miramar.

Parade Reviewing Officers (cont.)

Colonel Bedell has been awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Air Medal with Strike/Flight Numeral 14, Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal, and various unit and campaign awards.



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
Chief of Staff
Colonel E. R. Sullivan
Sergeant Major
Sergeant Major
Colonel T. M. Bedell

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
Gunnery Sergeant R. D. Martinez
Staff Sergeant H. Harrison

THIRD RECRUIT TRAINING BATTALION

Commanding Officer

Executive Officer

Sergeant Major

Chaplain

Battalion Drill Master

Lieutenant Colonel C. A. Ashinhurst
Major T. W. Toalston
Sergeant Major E. D. Ramirez
Lieutenant Junior Grade E. Morales
Staff Sergeant J. E. Jean

COMPANY K

Commanding Officer Captain W. J. Crytser
Company First Sergeant Gunnery Sergeant C. F. Hernandez

LEAD SERIES

Series Commander First Lieutenant N. P. Sharps Chief Drill Instructor Staff Sergeant J. M. Philippi

FOLLOW SERIES

Series Commander Captain R. H. Nguyen
Chief Drill Instructor Staff Sergeant V. M. Shaw

MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Enlisted Conductor Sergeant M. C. Hong Drum Major Gunnery Sergeant B. J. Hallquist

COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer
Organizational Color Bearer
Rifle Bearer

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT Z. E. BROWN

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT E. J. IRIZARRY

STAFF SERGEANT D. L. WASHINGTON

SERGEANT O. H. JONES

SERGEANT J. D. RIVERA

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS K. R. SHORES (296)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. G. CONCHA (339
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT R. W. WRIGHT

C. A. GARDEA

J. R. GARRISON

A. A. GONZALEZ

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE	
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS K. K. DAVIS	
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INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT R. W. WRIGHT		HT	RECRUITTED BY: STAFF SERGEANT J.		
PV	T G. P. AL	BER		PVT	A. GONZALEZPEREA
PV	T G. A. Al	LMARAZ		PFC	K. L. HALL
PV	T D. D. Al	MAYAESTRADA		PVT	R. D. HARVEY JR.
PF	C* R. BAEZ	ZA		PFC	M. A. HEWUS
PF	C* C. S. BA	ARRON		PFC	K. K. HOWARD
PV	T A. J. BII	LODEAU		PVT	A. R. JIMENEZ
PF	C J. D. CA	LCOTE		PVT	J. A. JIMENEZ
PV	T A. G. C.	ARDENAS		PVT	S. G. JOBE
PF	C J. W. CA	RLISLE		PVT	B. KOZACZKA
PV	T D. J. CA	SH		PVT	F. J. LIZARRAGA
PV	T M. A. C	OLLINS		PVT	P. J. LUBRANT
PF	C* J. G. CC	NCHA		PVT	M. A. MAGDALENO
PF	C A. M. D	AHLEN		PVT	O. L. MATOS
PF	C K. K. D	AVIS		PVT	B. J. MEYERS
PV	T J. C. DE	HIJAR		PVT	I. PEREZ
PF		LACRUZVIGIL		PVT	I. V. PONCE
PF	C T. DEL	ALUZ		PVT	I. PRECIADOSALAS
PF	C J. L. DE	LEONOSEGUERA		PVT	B. PRUTTE
PV	T J. M. D0	OMINGUEZ		PFC	A. J. QUISPE
PV	T J. R. DC	DUGLAS		PVT	B. RAYMUNDOANDRA
PF	C A. S. DI	REVS		PVT	J. L. REBER
PV	T M. S. D.	ROUETTITO		PVT	A. REYNA
PV	T A. I. EL	IZALDEVALDEZ		PVT	J. N. RODRIGUEZ
PV	T N. R. EI	LMER		PFC	C. W. RUSSELL
PV		LEMING		PVT	J. SALAZAR
PV	J			PFC*	C. J. SATHER
PF	C* D. FRA	NCO		PVT	A. J. SAUCEDOGONZALEZ
	T A. D. G.			PVT	B. J. SCHOENINGER
PF	C G. O. G	AMBLE		PFC	K. R. SHORES
PV	T A. C. G.	ARCIA		PFC	D. J. SMITH

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

SERGEANT R. J. RODRIGUEZ

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT J. KETTER

STAFF SERGEANT J. M. VANCE

SERGEANT A. GUERRERO

SERGEANT I. ALTAMARINO

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS T. E. HOOTEN (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER	
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PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. N. SCHOOLEY (343) INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT E. A. SCOTT

E. AHUMDA PVTPVT A. D. BLOCKER PVTA. D. BUNN K. CALICO PVT PVTA. J. CAMPOSNUNEZ PVT M. D. CASSELL PVT C. B. CONNOLE S. W. DAMM PVT M. A. DORSEY PVT C. M. DUNGAN PVT J. D. ELDER PFC* J. T. ELDER PFC K. ENGLISH PFC C. J. GATH PVT F. E. GONZALEZBUNDIZ PVT P. J. HARTMANN PFC J. A. HEBERT I. R. HENDRICK II S. H. HERRERA PFC T. E. HOOTEN PVT T. J. JOHNSON PVT M. S. JONES PVT N. W. JONES Z. J. KELLER J. D. KEMPKUR PFC* A. M. KORBE PVT M. D. KOTELL PVT J. M KULESZA PFC J. I. LANGTON

PFC

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T. K. LE

F. LEON JR.

D. J. LEWIS

E. J. LOPEZ

C. J. MANION

G. G. MATA III

J. W. MATKOVICH

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. M. KORBE RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT T. BEDLEY

PVT	S. R. MCCOLLUM
PFC*	R. W. MCCURDY
PFC	F. MEDRANO
PVT	E. MENDEZLEON
PVT	S. MERINE
PFC	S. E. MORALES
PVT	C. A. MOTES
PFC	E. L. MUNIZ
PVT	T. C. NGUYEN
PVT	A. M. OLIVER
PVT	D. Q. PARKERDUNNING
PFC	D. PEREZ
PVT	N. N. SALEVAO
PFC	G. F. SANTILLANO
PVT	D. E. SAY
PFC	J. N. SCHOOLEY
PFC	J. R. SKAW
PVT	D. G. SKEENE
PVT	T. W. SMITH
PFC	J. L. SMITH
PFC	J. R. SNURE
PFC	S. SOLA
PFC	O. R. SOTOVALDEZ
PVT	C. T. SPOONER
PFC	N. J. TAFOYA
PVT	D. H. TELFORD
PFC*	M. TORRES
PFC*	E. J. TOSCANO
PVT	T. N. TOUT
PVT	K. B. WATNE
PVT	M. V. WESOLOWSKI
PVT	A. E. WIGHTMAN
PVT	K. J. WINCHELL
PVT	W. M. WINCHESTER
PVT	C. S. YATES

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT J. L. DUNN

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT R.TORRES

STAFF SERGEANT A. R. FELDON

SERGEANT C. PAYNE

SERGEANT S. O. FALAYI

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. COBY (287)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PFC A .A. GASCON

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS X. P. PEREZ (334)

PFC

PVT

PVT

E. FRANCODAVILA

P.J. GARIBAYDIAZ

J. U. AGUON

LANCE CORPORAL J. D. HOLLAND

INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL J. W. MENGUIVAR RECRUITED BY: GUNNERY SERGEANT J. R. STEPHENSON

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PFC*	O. M. ALVAREZ	PVT	A. J. GONZALEZ
PFC	N. BADIEI	PVT	I. GONZALEZ
PVT	B. A BHOLA	PVT	P. GONZALEZVALENTIN
PVT	H. L BIAS	PVT	J. F. HERRERASANTANA
PFC	J. K. BORROMEO	LCPL*	J. D. HOLLAND
PVT	J. D. BRUHN	PFC	M. J. HOMINIUK
PVT	H. P. BRUSS	PFC	C. W. KERBY
PVT	L. T. CAMPBELL	PFC*	T. D. LEAKE
PVT	J. J. CANTRELL	PVT	J. T. LEWAN
PFC	B. J. CARBALLOREBOLLEDO	PVT	R. W. LONG JR.
PVT	C.A. CARRE	PVT	B. LOPEZ
PFC	E. J. CASTILLO	PFC	E. W. MABERRY
PVT	J. CHILDRESS	PVT	I. B. MARICHAL
PVT	M. A. CHOUHAN	PFC*	P. J MARQUEZ
PFC	A. J. CIFUENTESBORRAYES	PVT	J. J. MARTINEZ
PVT	J. A. CISNEROSVAZQUEZ	PVT	Y. MONTOYA
PVT	M. M. CLAYTON	PFC	M. MORENO
PFC	J. COBY	PFC	X. P. PEREZ
PVT	E. A. CONN	PFC*	G. E. PREUSS
PVT	E. A. CONSTANTINO	PVT	S. M. RAMIREZ
PVT	N. J. CORBIN	PFC	C. RIZO
PVT	R. A. COTTON	PVT	T. J. ROGGEMAN
PVT	C. K. CROSS	PVT	T. J. ROSS
PFC	S. A. CZYZ	PVT	F. ROSS
PVT	D. J. DACOSTA	PVT	J. B. SANDOVALJIMENEZ
PVT	D. E. DAUGHERTY	PFC*	I. M. SAUCEDO
PVT	E. E. DELGADOSANCHEZ	PVT	J. H. SLEINSKY
PFC	A. R. DIETRICH	PVT	D. A. SORIANO
PVT	M. W. DUKALA	PVT	S. SOTO JR.
PVT	I. T. ESCUDERO	PVT	A. B. SOTORAMIREZ
PFC	R. B. FAJARDO	PVT	M. D. TAMEZ
PVT	Z. S. FALZONE	PFC	E. A. VASQUEZ
PFC	J. T. FLOREK	PFC	D. VEGA
PVT	C. B. FOX	PFC	E. VIZCARRA

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR

STAFF SERGEANT N. L. PENTONY

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT J. P. HAMMAN

STAFF SERGEANT C. A. MUNOZ

STAFF SERGEANT C. A. PERKINS

SERGEANT F. J. BRAY

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. NUNEZ (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS K. R. NISSEN (334)

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. NUNEZ INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT J. J. WASHINGTON RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT S. N. RIVERA

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PVT	I. D. CAYTON	PFC*	A. NUNEZ
PVT	C. O. COLMAN	PVT	J. M. OLVERA
PVT	B. N. CORNEJO	PVT	D. S. ORDONEZ
PVT	J. L. DOBLE	PFC	A. ORTIZROBLES
PVT	M. A. EMMER	PFC	B. J. OSORIO
PVT	U. A. ESPINOZA	PFC*	B. M. OWENS
PVT	L. S. HEGWOOD	PVT	J. D. PERRY
PFC	C. L. HENSINGER	PVT	T. J. POLINSKI
PFC*	D. R. HINESKITTELL	PVT	B. K. PORCARO
PVT	K. D. HUBBARD	PFC	M. D. POTES
PVT	J. R. HULS	PFC	C. B. RAMOS
PVT	A. S. JACOBSEN	PVT	D. E. RANGELKRAMP
PVT	E. N. JENSEN	PFC	C. J. REILLEY
PVT	P. KONOPKO	PFC	C. E. RIOJAS
PVT	C. P. LAUX	PVT	C. RIVERAVILLEGAS
PVT	G. W. LEIGH	PVT	A. A. RODRIGUEZ
PVT	M. J. LEONARD	PVT	R. A. ROSS
PVT	J. D. LONG	PFC	D. T. ROYBAL
PVT	J. D. LOZANO	PVT	A. R. SALAZAR
PVT	C. A. MAGUDDATO	PVT	A. C. SANGINEZ
PVT	D. A. MARTINEZ	PFC	D. T. SCHULZ
PVT	D. B. MARTINEZ	PVT	I. E. SELSTAD
PFC	J. M. MAWDSLEY	PVT	J. A. SILVA
PFC	J. V. MCCOY	PVT	G. J. SIMMONDS
PFC*	D. K. MCDONALD	PVT	B. C. SAMS
PVT	J. D. MCELVY	PVT	A. M. SANCHEZ
PFC	J. W. MCKNIGHT	PFC*	D. S. SINENSE
PVT	L. J. MILLER	PFC*	T. J. SITTER
PVT	M. J. MILLER	PVT	C. M. SKIDMORE
PFC	J. R. MORROW	PVT	E. G. SOLIS
PFC	D. P. NELSON	PVT	K. D. STANTON
PVT	T. M. NGUYEN	PFC	A. E. WASIK
PVT	T. Q. NGUYEN	PVT	I. L. WILCOX
PFC	K. R. NISSEN	PVT	D. A. WILLIAMS

Meritorious Promotion *

I. O. VARESE

C. VEGA

PFC

PFC

PVT

C. O. WILSON

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 face.



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.

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STAFF SERGEANT E. VELAQUEZ

DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT R. LAYACO

SERGEANT E. AMANA

SERGEANT O. TORRESZAPATA

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS R. C. SMITH (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS N. A. VINCENCIO (339)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT F. A. LOMELI

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PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS N. D. CHAVEZ
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STAFF SERGEANT K. O. GRAY

STAFF SERGEANT R. C. VILLALBA

SERGEANT C. K. BANKS

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. J. SANTAGUIDA (293)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS H. J. CUELLAR (339) INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT L. YABAO PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE
PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. W. CHURNEY
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT J. JANSEN

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PVT	L. CORDOVA	PFC	C. T. NGUYEN
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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.