

## 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 men and 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 male and female 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 at San Diego’s Balboa Park for the 1915 Panama-California Exposition.

Thirteen buildings have been named for famous Marines, such a Daly Barracks, Pendleton Hall, Lejuene Hall, McDougall Hall, and Day Hall. Today, the Depot has 388 acres and 25 buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

## *The Commanding Officer of Recruit Training Regiment*



On behalf of Brigadier General David C. Hyman, Commanding General of Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego and the Western Recruiting Region, and the Marines, Sailors, and Civilian Marines of the Recruit Training Regiment, it is my privilege to welcome you to this morning’s graduation ceremony. Today, we come together to support your loved one and witness a milestone moment in their personal and professional journey.

The love and support you provided laid the foundation for their success and gave them the strength to take the first step in joining our all-volunteer force. Your presence today is a powerful expression of your ongoing commitment to your new Marine and to our Nation. We are honored to

welcome you into our Marine Corps family. This morning, we recognize your Marine’s extraordinary accomplishment in earning the title United States Marine. This is a defining moment and one they will carry with pride for the rest of their lives.

Marine Corps recruit training is the most challenging in the Nation, demanding the highest levels of discipline, endurance, and determination. Standing before you is a company of Marines who have risen to that challenge and earned their place in our ranks. To get to where they are today, these Marines has been trained physically, mentally, and emotionally through a time-tested process that transforms individuals into Marines. Many contributed to that transformation - families, mentors, coaches, teachers, and counselors - who shaped their character long before they arrived at the Yellow Footprints. Marine Corps Recruiters recognized their potential and helped them begin this journey. Their Primary Marksmanship Instructors aided in their qualification, which ensures every Marine a rifleman. No one, however, had a greater impact than the Marine Corps Drill Instructor. For 13 weeks, they have led with courage, humility, and resolve - demanding excellence and instilling our Core Values of Honor, Courage, and Commitment. They’ve forged the five essential Marine Attributes: exemplary character, toughness, warfighting skill, decision-making, and leadership. As a result, each Marine graduating today has passed the test, exceeded the standard, and earned their place in our Corps. I have full confidence in their ability to meet any challenge.

Thank you for joining us. Enjoy your visit. Best wishes for a joyful reunion and safe travels home.

*Tracy A. Maese*

Semper Fidelis,  
Tracy A. Maese  
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 “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, and 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.



## PARADE REVIEWING OFFICER



Sergeant Major  
**Fausto Cabrera**  
 Assault Amphibian School SgtMaj  
 Command Senior Enlisted Leader

Sergeant Major Fausto Cabrera enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in October 1995 and completed recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego. Upon graduation, he attended Assault Amphibian School and earned the military occupational specialty 1833, Assault Amphibious Vehicle (AAV) Crewman. In June 1996, Private Cabrera reported to 3rd Assault Amphibian Battalion where he served as an AAV Crewman and later deployed in October 1997 with the 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit.

After completing his initial active service in October 1999, he reenlisted in July 2000 and returned to 3rd Assault Amphibian Battalion in September 2000, serving as an AAV Commander and Section Leader. In March 2001, he deployed with the 11th Marine Expeditionary Unit.

In January 2003, Sergeant Cabrera reported to Drill Instructor School at Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island. Upon completion, he was assigned to Company M, 3rd Recruit Training Battalion and Special Training Company, Support Battalion, where he served as Drill Instructor, Senior Drill Instructor, and Chief Drill Instructor.

In May 2006, Staff Sergeant Cabrera returned to 3rd Assault Amphibian Battalion as an AAV Section Leader. He deployed in April 2007 with the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. Promoted to Gunnery Sergeant in January 2008, he served as an AAV Platoon Sergeant and deployed to Okinawa with the 31st MEU in July 2008 and again with the 13th MEU in February 2011.

In January 2012, First Sergeant Cabrera reported to 1st Battalion 3rd Marines as Company First Sergeant, completing multiple Unit Deployment Program rotations to Okinawa.

## PARADE REVIEWING OFFICER

In February 2015, he reported to Infantry Training Battalion, School of Infantry West at Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton as Company First Sergeant.

Promoted to Sergeant Major in January 2016, he was assigned as Command Senior Enlisted Leader to Marine Tactical Air Command Squadron 38. He subsequently served as Command Senior Enlisted Leader for Combat Logistics Battalion 11 (2018), The Basic School (2020), and Marine Corps Installations West at Camp Pendleton (2023).

In September 2024, Sergeant Major Cabrera reported to Assault Amphibian School as the Command Senior Enlisted Leader.

His personal decorations include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, and Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medal.



## 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 he is the number one Marine in his 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 are 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 are 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 D. C. Hyman
Chief of Staff	Colonel C. R. Von Bergen
Sergeant Major	Sergeant Major O. A. Leavy
Parade Reviewing Officer	Sergeant Major F. Cabrera

### RECRUIT TRAINING REGIMENT

Commanding Officer	Colonel T. A. Maese
Executive Officer	Lieutenant Colonel W. Williams
Sergeant Major	Sergeant Major R. K. Palmer
Regimental Drill Master	Gunnery Sergeant M. A. Scott
Narrator	Staff Sergeant D. Plummer

### SECOND RECRUIT TRAINING BATTALION

Commanding Officer	Lieutenant Colonel P. C. Trower
Executive Officer	Major A. O. Jesse
Sergeant Major	Sergeant Major R. A. Jimenez
Chaplain	Lieutenant E. I. Ochigbo
Battalion Drill Master	Staff Sergeant J. A. Thomas

### COMPANY E

Commanding Officer	Captain T. R. Jackson
Company First Sergeant	First Sergeant M. S. Arnone

### SERIES 2109

Series Commander	Captain D. P. Liam
Chief Drill Instructor	Staff Sergeant L. M. Myers

### SERIES 2113

Series Commander	First Lieutenant J. E. Spurgeon
Chief Drill Instructor	Staff Sergeant D. A. Martinez

### MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Enlisted Conductor	Staff Sergeant H. Ford
Drum Major	Sergeant C. Goodman

### COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer	Sergeant J. Hamlett
Organizational Color Bearer	Sergeant S. Perez Jr.
Rifle Bearer	Sergeant M. Toland
Rifle Bearer	Sergeant C. Williams Jr.

# PLATOON 2109

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR  
STAFF SERGEANT N. L. RECENELLO

## DRILL INSTRUCTORS

STAFF SERGEANT L. L. KENDRICK  
STAFF SERGEANT N. F. COBB  
SERGEANT M. A. SANCHEZPEREZ

## PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS B. M. LOPEZ (293)

## PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E. A. RAMOS (298)  
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT B. A. PIERCE

## PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS S. I. HALLETT  
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT T. MCADA

PVT B. H. ABEJA  
PVT T. A. ALTAMIRANO  
PFC K. A. AMBUTE  
PFC A. M. AYALA  
PFC M. BARRETOCONTRERAS  
PVT D. S. BRIZUELA  
PVT L. K. BUCIOSILVA  
PFC J. A. CARSON  
PVT L. V. CLIFTON  
PVT L. G. DENNISBALTAZAR  
PVT C. N. ESCAMILLA  
PFC C. R. FEUERHAMMER  
PFC M. M. GARCIA  
PFC N. GARCIABAUTISTA  
PVT Y. GARCIAROMERO  
PFC A. R. GOWIN  
PVT M. L. GRAHAM  
PFC S. I. HALLETT  
PFC A. J. HAVANA  
PFC B. T. HERNANDEZ  
PFC A. S. HOGAN  
PFC S. A. JONES  
PFC B. M. LOPEZ  
PVT M. N. LOPEZ  
PVT D. J. LOPEZMERIDA

PFC Y. R. MAGANA  
PVT S. M. MELANCON  
PFC I. L. MONTANEZ  
PFC M. S. MUCKEL  
PVT D. M. MUSQUEZ  
PVT A. A. NEDVEDKROGH  
PVT E. A. NICHOLSZ  
PFC A. J. PABLOTIXTA  
PFC A. PADRONGARCIA  
PFC N. L. PALMEROS  
PFC J. D. PORTILLO  
PFC Y. D. PRIETOCASTELLANOS  
PFC E. A. RAMOS  
PVT E. REYES  
PFC J. REYESRIVERA  
PFC J. ROSALES  
PFC J. RUBIOJIMENEZ  
PVT G. R. SAENZ  
PVT J. SANTANA  
PFC A. A. SAWYER  
PFC A. A. SIFUENTES  
PVT B. S. STEVENS  
PVT M. R. TWENTYMAN  
PVT A. VAZQUEZ  
PFC A. I. YSAIAS

# PLATOON 2110

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR  
STAFF SERGEANT E. D. VERATORRES

## DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT A. AYALA  
STAFF SERGEANT C. BAROCIO  
STAFF SERGEANT J. M. KIENZLE

## PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS G. V. ORTIZ (295)

## PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS D. DELEON (330)  
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL N. C. EGGEN

## PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS G. V. ORTIZ  
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT N. BIALEN

PVT C. A. ADRIAN-WELSH  
PFC W. W. BEARD  
PVT W. M. BOES  
PVT I. L. MONTANEZ  
PVT C. J. BRAKER  
PVT D. A. BRAND  
PFC J. CAMPOS  
PVT M. CERVANTES-LOPEZ  
PFC G. V. ORTIZ  
PFC G. M. OWEN  
PVT M. A. PALOMINO-TOYODA  
PVT Z. J. PETERSEN  
PVT G. PONCEWORLEY  
PVT E. S. QUINONEZ-DELAPAZ  
PVT I. M. RANDOL  
PVT J. L. REAM  
PVT T. D. REAMER  
PFC B. Y. REYES  
PVT J. P. RICO-MANRIQUE  
PVT N. J. SANDOVAL  
PVT G. I. STAGGS  
PVT G. A. STARCHER  
PVT B. D. STEKETEE  
PVT D. J. TAMBORRELLO  
PFC G. J. THARP  
PFC F. TORRES  
PVT N. A. VALADEZ  
PVT G. E. VALENTIN  
PVT L. L. WALKER  
PVT E. L. WATTS  
PVT Y. XIONG

PVT N. L. MARUSICH  
PFC M. C. MATA  
PFC D. D. MCMANIGLE  
PVT B. L. MEINCKE  
PVT N. A. MUNOZ  
PVT K. M. MUSTREAD  
PFC G. V. ORTIZ  
PFC G. M. OWEN  
PVT M. A. PALOMINO-TOYODA  
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PVT D. J. TAMBORRELLO  
PFC G. J. THARP  
PFC F. TORRES  
PVT N. A. VALADEZ  
PVT G. E. VALENTIN  
PVT L. L. WALKER  
PVT E. L. WATTS  
PVT Y. XIONG

# PLATOON 2111

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR  
SERGEANT B. W. ONG

## DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT E. MEDINA  
SERGEANT E. B. DEL POZO  
SERGEANT M. RUBEN

## PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE E. M. GONZALES (287)

## PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE O. D. ANGEL (329)  
INSTRUCTOR: CORPORAL J. M. JUREZ

## PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E. A. BETTINARDI  
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT M. P. DRAKE

PVT B. AGUILAR  
PVT C. S. ALVARADOHERNANDEZ  
PFC C. A. ALVERADORAMOS  
PVT O. D. ANGEL  
PVT E. F. ASMAL  
PVT A. G. ATNIP  
PVT J. E. BAEZORREGO  
PVT J. L. BANKS  
PFC J. BARRERA  
PFC B. A. BARRIOSCHOCHON  
PFC E. A. BETTINARDI  
PVT D. Z. BRINSON  
PVT J. D. CACERESNUNEZ  
PFC J. CAMPERS  
PVT K. T. CASTILLO  
PVT M. A. CHAVEZ  
PVT E. CEILO  
PFC A. R. CONTRERAS  
PVT E. B. CORTEZ  
PVT J. M. CORTEZ  
PFC D. COVARRUBIAS  
PFC B. J. DELANEY  
PVT R. DIAZ  
PVT Z. B. DILWORTH  
PVT B. S. EGBERT  
PVT C. O. ESQUIVELAVILES  
PVT I. F. FLORES  
PVT M. FLORES  
PVT B. FLORESGONZALEZ  
PVT R. GOMEZ JR.

PVT A. J. GOMEZYANEZ  
PVT E. M. GONZALES  
PVT J. P. GONZALEZ  
PVT C. L. HERNANDEZ  
PVT T. C. JENSEN  
PFC J. P. JOLLY  
PVT M. J. LEHTO  
PFC R. LOPEZARIZONAR  
PVT T. Z. LUJAN  
PVT S. D. MALDONADO  
PVT A. MATEOREBOLLAR  
PFC C. G. MONTIEL II  
PVT O. OLVERAGUERRERO  
PFC C. B. PALMER  
PFC L. B. PERSONS  
PFC G. I. PORTER  
PFC S. M. RATION  
PFC A. M. ROBERTSON  
PVT N. E. RODRIGUEZRAMOS  
PFC V. A. SANCHEZ  
PVT Z. C. SCHNEIDER  
PFC C. R. SIMS  
PVT G. W. SOLIZ  
PVT A. SOTO JR.  
PVT T. A. TREJO  
PVT E. O. URIZAR  
PVT A. A. VALENZUELASTORK  
PVT N. A. VASQUEZPADILLA  
PVT K. J. WRIGHT  
PVT B. A. ZEUG

# PLATOON 2113

SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR  
STAFF SERGEANT G. N. RAMOSRAMIREZ

## DRILL INSTRUCTORS

SERGEANT J. GONZALES  
SERGEANT I. J. OSEI  
SERGEANT J. L. EASLEY  
SERGEANT J. BADILLA

## PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS C. L. TROTTER (293)

## PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

LANCE CORPORAL J. A. RIOS (315)  
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT DAVIS

## PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

LANCE CORPORAL J. A. RIOS  
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT C. MUMPER

PFC A. A. AGUILAR  
PVT A. J. ALMAZAN  
PVT A. ARAGON  
PFC S. P. ARMSTRONG  
PVT R. M. ASTORGA  
PVT C. H. AVIANEDA  
PFC E. W. BAIN  
PVT J. X. BARRON  
PVT E. BAUTISTAMUNOZ JR.  
PVT R. J. BOHNER  
PVT J. L. BURROUGH  
PVT S. R. CANN  
PVT J. R. CAPIELLO  
PVT A. B. CASTORENA  
PFC J. E. CHAVEZ  
PFC M. COLLINS  
PVT D. A. DEDIOSVEGA  
PFC I. DELGADO  
PVT S. E. DIAZ  
PVT J. G. GHERARDY  
PVT B. J. GOMEZCRUZ  
PVT I. V. GIBSON  
PVT U. A. HARRIS  
PVT S. HEDARY  
PVT J. T. HEGAR  
PVT W. T. HILLIARD  
PVT C. L. HURTADO  
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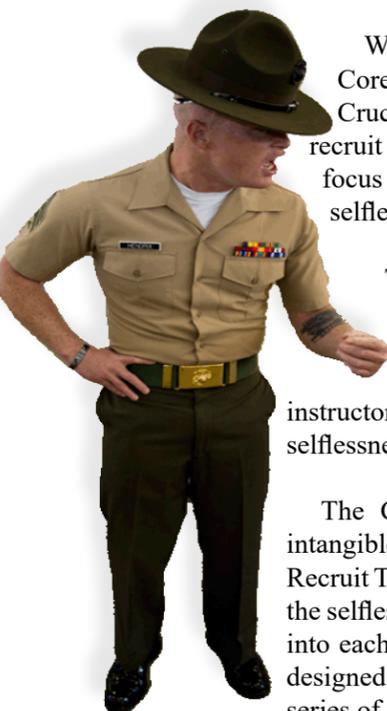
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PVT D. J. ORTIZ  
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PFC J. M. PEREZNUNEZ  
PFC V. RAJU  
LCPL\* J. A. RIOS  
PVT E. ROBLEDO JR.  
PVT B. T. RODGERS  
PFC A. R. RODRIGUEZ  
PVT C. P. ROUNDY  
PVT J. SALGADO  
PVT O. S. SANDOVAL  
PVT B. A. SANTACRUZ  
PFC C. R. SCHWAMBERGER  
PVT J. C. SCHWARTZENBERGER  
PVT E. SERGELENZORIGT  
PVT J. M. SMITH  
PFC J. J. TANDY  
PFC C. L. TROTTER  
PVT N. E. TRUJILLO  
PFC Y. S. VALADEZ  
PVT I. N. VALENZUELA  
PFC K. VANG  
PVT D. VAZQUEZ  
PVT L. D. VENTURAMOCTEZUMA  
PVT B. J. WEBER  
PVT J. R. WRIGHT

## 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 former Marines. 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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### DRILL INSTRUCTORS

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SERGEANT K. HERNANDEZPEREZ

STAFF SERGEANT W. K. LOPEZ

STAFF SERGEANT E. ORTIZ

### PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE M. B. WALLACE (288)

### PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS A. D. CHAMBERLAIN (333)

INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT K. S. BARRETO

### PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

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PVT B. G. BAECKER  
PVT C. G. BEASLEY  
PVT J. G. BEJARANO  
PVT E. M. BENITEZ  
PVT K. U. BROWN  
PFC B. R. CASTRO  
PVT S. G. CERVANTES  
PFC A. D. CHAMBERLAIN  
PFC K. M. COLLINS  
PVT A. W. CORTEZ  
PVT Q. J. CRAWFORD  
PVT M. E. CRISANTO  
PVT J. J. CRUZ  
PVT L. S. ESCALANTE  
PVT L. T. ESPARZA  
PVT R. C. ESQUEDALONG  
PVT A. ESTRADA  
PVT B. B. FAIR  
PVT J. L. FIGUEROA  
PVT J. R. FISCHER  
PVT J. FRANKLIN  
PVT G. E. GARCIA  
PVT H. GODOY  
PVT A. D. HERNANDEZ  
PVT G. R. HERNANDEZ  
PVT A. P. HERT  
PVT I. C. JARAMILLOROSAS  
PVT H. J. JENSEN  
PVT D. E. JOHNSON  
PFC N. M. KILGORE

PVT A. L. KINZIE  
PVT J. A. LAKATOS  
PFC J. J. LOPEZ  
PVT B. P. LOPEZBARRAZA JR.  
PVT G. R. LOPEZCARTWRIGHT  
PVT C. I. LOVE  
PVT J. R. LUCIANO  
PFC D. L. LUGO JR.  
PVT F. L. MACCHIA  
PVT J. C. MANZANO  
PVT A. M. MARTINEZ  
PVT B. G. MEDRANOROQUE  
PFC E. METZGER  
PVT D. H. MILLE  
PVT J. E. MIRANDA  
PVT J. E. MONTOYAFRANQUEZ  
PVT D. M. MUNOZ  
PFC J. J. NUNN  
PVT A. S. ORTIZ  
PVT A. B. PASCUAL  
PVT A. Y. PETTY  
PFC A. V. RICHARDSON  
PFC P. W. SOSBE  
PVT B. TUCKER  
PVT O. A. VALDEZ  
PFC A. M. VALLETOVAR  
PVT G. VELASQUEZ  
PVT M. B. WALLACE  
PVT J. D. WHEELER  
PVT P. W. WILLIS  
PVT J. D. YANEZ

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### PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE B. R. WEST (305)

INSTRUCTOR: LANCE CORPORAL C. R. GREENE

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PVT B. BALES  
PVT N. BARLOW  
PVT E. BAYLON  
PVT T. BELL  
PVT J. BELTRAN  
PVT T. BRUNE  
PVT R. BUADO  
PVT A. CAMPOS  
PVT A. CASEY  
PFC J. CHINCHILLA  
PVT J. CHOVANETZ  
PVT Z. COOKE  
PVT L. DEROMIE  
PVT M. ESTRADA  
PVT J. FLOYD  
PVT D. GOMEZ  
PVT J. GONZALEZ  
PVT T. HAMADOU  
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PVT R. MIRELES  
PVT R. MORENO  
PVT A. MOSQUEDA  
PVT E. MRESBANG

PVT K. NATION  
PVT E. OPPERT  
PVT A. ORTEGA  
PFC P. PARNELL  
PVT S. PARRISH  
PVT H. PERALTA ALVAREZ  
PVT E. PERKINS  
PFC J. PINEDA  
PFC B. PONSOR  
PVT T. RATHKAMP  
PVT J. RODRIGUEZ  
PVT P. RODRIGUEZVAZQUEZ  
PVT R. RUMANOWSKI  
PVT S. SALAS  
PVT A. SALVADORIAZ  
PVT D. SANDERS  
PVT J. SARABIA  
PVT G. SAVAGE  
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PVT E. SMITH JR.  
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PVT A. VALENZUELA  
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# WHY THE TRANSFORMATION?

The most important things the Marine Corps does for our Nation are 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 civil police duties.

The Nation has committed 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: the determination to overcome any obstacle that stands in the 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

Teaching 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.