

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.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "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



Major General
James B. Wellons
Commanding General,
3rd Marine Aircraft Wing

Major General James B. Wellons is a distinguished United States Marine Corps officer with over three decades of exemplary service. A native of Victoria, Virginia, he graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1992, commissioning as a Second Lieutenant in the Marine Corps.

Following completion of The Basic School at Quantico, Virginia, in 1993, he earned his designation as a naval aviator in 1995 after completing flight training at NAS Meridian, Mississippi. Major General Wellons began his aviation career with AV-8B Harrier training at VMAT-203, Cherry Point, North Carolina, and subsequently served operational tours with VMA-231. During these assignments, he deployed with the 26th and 24th Marine Expeditionary Units to the European theater and Iraq.

His expertise as an aviator includes roles as an AV-8B instructor pilot and a weapons and tactics instructor at Marine Aviation Weapons and Tactics Squadron One (MAWTS-1). From 2010 to 2012, he commanded the first USMC F-35B squadron at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, before assuming command of MAWTS-1 from 2016 to 2018 at MCAS Yuma, Arizona.

His staff assignments include lead planner for U.S. Marine Forces Central Command, Branch Head for Aviation Programs and Weapons at Headquarters Marine Corps, and Executive Officer for U.S. Southern Command. His general officer roles encompass Assistant Wing Commander of the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing in Okinawa, Japan, Deputy Commander of United States Forces Japan, and Assistant Deputy Commandant for Programs at Headquarters Marine Corps.

PARADE REVIEWING OFFICER

Major General Wellons assumed command of the 3rd Marine Aircraft Wing on July 2, 2024. His professional military education includes graduation from the Weapons and Tactics Instructor Course, the School of Advanced Air and Space Studies, the U.S. Naval War College (where he graduated with highest distinction), and Harvard Business School’s Advanced Management Program. He holds master’s degrees from both Air University and the U.S. Naval War College.

F-35B, F-5E/F, and F-16C/D aircraft. His numerous decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal, Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, among other 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 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	Major General J. B. Wellons

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 K. M. Wilton
Narrator	Staff Sergeant J. Anderson

THIRD RECRUIT TRAINING BATTALION

Commanding Officer	Lieutenant Colonel S. J. Greenberg
Executive Officer	Major S. P. Kiernan
Sergeant Major	Sergeant Major V. I. Kholodov
Chaplain	Lieutenant K. Chur
Battalion Drill Master	Staff Sergeant C. D. Ochoa

COMPANY K

Commanding Officer	Captain M. Ramirez
Company First Sergeant	First Sergeant R. G. Ayala

SERIES 3229

Series Commander	1st Lieutenant J. A. Rivas
Chief Drill Instructor	Staff Sergeant C. Duarte

SERIES 3233

Series Commander	Captain M. T. Held
Chief Drill Instructor	Gunnery Sergeant A. T. Hoopes

MARINE BAND SAN DIEGO

Enlisted Conductor	Sergeant N. Jorge
Drum Major	Gunnery Sergeant W. Hayes

COLOR GUARD

National Color Bearer	Sergeant J. Hamlett
Organizational Color Bearer	Sergeant S. Perez Jr.
Rifle Bearer	Sergeant B. Lopez-Hernandez
Rifle Bearer	Sergeant C. Williams Jr.

PLATOON
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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT T. E. GRESHAM

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
STAFF SERGEANT K. M. PRITCHETT
STAFF SERGEANT J. S. VELASQUEZ
STAFF SERGEANT J. L. NATHAN
SERGEANT T. A. MOORE

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS J. J. NUANES (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE B. R. SEBOLD (333)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT T. J. HERMESMAN

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS H. T. KAY
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT Q. A. VESGA

PVT J. E. AGUILAR
PVT J. M. AGUIRRE
PVT B. J. ANDREWS
PVT E. L. ARANASARMIENTOS
PVT I. A. ARANAVARA
PFC* O. A. ARCHULETA
PVT J. I. AVILA
PVT Z. A. BATTLE
PVT J. A. BAXTER
PVT S. A. BEDOLLA
PVT H. A. BELLU
PFC* J. M. BREILING
PFC J. A. BUGBY
PFC W. A. CHILDS
PVT A. M. CRAWFORD
PVT T. T. CUNG
PVT T. DAVIS V
PFC H. D. DELCOUR
PVT J. L. DELAROSACRISTOBAL
PVT I. J. DIAZ
PVT A. C. DUGAN
PVT T. J. ELLERMAN
PFC C. B. FRANKS
PVT J. R. FULLER
PFC Y. GARCIALOPEZ
PFC J. F. GERMAN
PVT G. GOMEZPINEDA
PFC J. C. GOMEZTREJO JR.
PVT F. J. HARRIS
PVT G. J. HEINZ
PFC E. HIGAREDACAMACHO
PVT L. D. HTOO
PFC D. IBARRADELAPAZ
PFC M. M. JEFFERY
PFC T. J. JESKO
PFC A. JOHNSON
PFC P. A. JONES
PFC* H. T. KAY
PVT B. S. KELLING
PFC J. A. KINSLERBEALS
PVT S. A. KRONBERGER
PVT K. A. KRUEGER

PFC E. A. LAGUNES
PVT A. LAPERA
PVT D. L. LOGAN
PFC J. R. LUTHYE
PFC H. T. MAGGART
PFC A. MARTINEZ
PVT D. B. MAZQUIARANCARRERA
PVT D. G. MCDOWN
PFC P. J. MCGUIRE
PVT J. A. MECHAM
PFC S. MEDINABEDOYA
PFC J. E. MERRIMAN
PVT B. MEZAALCOCER
PFC M. T. MOGENDI
PVT M. A. MUFFAT
PVT R. NICE
PVT M. R. NICKSON
PFC* J. J. NUANES
PVT R. G. NUSBAUM JR.
PFC N. J. PETERSON
PVT L. A. POMALESMALDONADO
PVT A. ROSALES
PVT D. M. SANDERS
PFC Z. C. SANG
PVT D. J. SATCHELL
PVT B. R. SEBOLD
PFC A. R. SHIDELER
PFC J. A. SIMPSON
PVT J. D. SOBCZAK
PFC D. X. STOCK
PFC R. S. TEUSCH
PFC M. A. THIELKE
PFC A. VALENZUELASOTO
PVT G. L. VANDENBERG
PFC J. C. VERAAYALA
PVT J. A. WAHLIN
PVT Q. J. WEAVER
PVT M. R. WIDELL
PVT T. R. WILBURN
PFC C. R. WILLIAMS III
PFC G. M. WILSON
PFC C. C. WOLFE II

PLATOON
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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT M. E. UGARTE

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
STAFF SERGEANT T. M. JALLOH
STAFF SERGEANT C. S. SMITH
SERGEANT M. RIOSSEGURIO

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS N. K. HOWEY (300)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS E. P. REXIN (336)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT T. J. HERMESMAN

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

LANCE CORPORAL R. D. NATH
RECRUITED BY: SERGEANT V. BUSTAMENTE

PVT I. C. ABARCA
PFC C. M. ABELL
PFC D. ALEJANDRO
PVT D. ALVARADO
PFC J. A. ALVAREZPEREZ
PFC J. ARROYO
PVT J. BAHENAPEREZ
PVT A. J. BENAVIDES
PFC N. E. BENAVIDESDOCK
PFC C. A. BENNETT
PFC T. A. BERMEJO
PFC I. T. BILOLO
PFC* J. M. BOUDLOCHE
PFC S. E. BOUDLOCHE
PFC J. M. BUSHEY
PVT V. S. CAMPPELL
PVT M. A. CARDENAS
PVT D. E. CARVAJAL
PVT N. D. CATTERSON
PFC J. A. CHYNOWETH
PVT D. CRUZ
PFC J. J. DENDY
PFC J. R. DEYLE
PVT S. M. DOMINGUEZ
PFC C. R. DUNN
PFC A. H. ECHEVERRIA
PFC M. A. EHARDTAVILA
PFC T. J. FISHER
PFC L. FLORES
PVT B. D. FOSNIGHT
PVT D. A. FREEMEN
PVT S. L. FUENTES
PVT H. GARZA III
PFC M. G. GOMEZALVARDO
PFC A. E. GUZMANESCOBEDO
PVT C. L. HANKS
PVT S. D. HEREDIA
PFC G. HERNANDEZ
PVT I. A. HERNANDEZ
PVT O. R. HIATT
PFC A. R. HOANG
PFC* N. K. HOWEY
PVT J. C. HURST
PFC S. O. JEELE
PVT J. J. JOHNSON
PVT J. A. JORGENSEN
PVT J. R. JUNKIN
PFC* J. J. LANDEROS
PFC J. R. LICARDO
PFC J. H. LIDOWSKI

PFC R. J. LIHATTA
PFC* T. A. LOCKLEAR
PVT K. L. LOESER
PFC A. M. LOFTIS
PVT M. A. LOMELIMARTINEZ
PVT S. J. LOUIS
PFC J. A. LUNA
PVT R. R. MATA
PFC N. E. MCELHERAN
PVT C. J. MEESTER
PFC J. W. MEREDITH III
PVT I. MIRELEZ V
PFC A. I. MORA
PFC M. MORENO
PFC R. D. NATH
PVT A. NEGRETE
PFC W. J. OJEDA
PVT A. K. PETERSON
PVT D. POPESCU
PFC T. S. QUINN
PFC M. C. RAMIREZ
PVT E. R. RAMIREZ
PFC K. R. RAMOS
PVT J. J. RAMOS
PVT T. W. REDWINE
PFC C. M. REPP
PFC E. P. REXIN
PVT A. REYES II
PFC L. RIVERA
PVT L. S. ROBINSON
PVT A. ROSALES
PVT M. A. ROSTRO
PFC C. C. SANKEY
PFC J. A. SENDEIAS
PVT N. R. SHATTUCK
PVT D. L. SMITH
PVT N. E. STERNAGLE
PVT T. Z. THANG
PVT R. L. THURMAN
PVT M. I. VANDENEINDE
PFC E. VARGAS
PVT L. G. VELA
PFC M. A. VELAQUEZ JR.
PVT D. A. VERA
PFC E. J. VILLAMIL
PVT A. L. WARD
PVT C. E. WATERMAN
PFC R. J. WOODROFFE
PVT J. J. WOSTREL
PVT R. W. XU

PLATOON
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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
STAFF SERGEANT J. J. RAVE

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
SERGEANT L. VILLALOBOS
STAFF SERGEANT A. R. PLACIDO
STAFF SERGEANT T. N. POND
SERGEANT J. PEREZ

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS G. J. BASSHAM (293)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

PRIVATE V. M. BOTTACHIARI (328)
INSTRUCTOR: SERGEANT T. D. WADE

PLATOON HONOR GRADUATE

PRIVATE FIRST CLASS S. I. MARTINHOLMES
RECRUITED BY: STAFF SERGEANT A. D. HAMPTON

PFC E. S. ADRIANOLOPEZ
PVT I. AGUILACASTRO
PVT H. AGUILAR
PFC R. AGUILAR
PFC J. ALBIDREZ
PVT C. J. ALDRICH
PVT N. O. ALLEN
PVT A. A. ALVARENGA
PVT E. B. BARRITAHERNANDEZ
PFC* G. J. BASSHAM
PVT R. BENITEZRUBIO
PVT C. N. BENNETT
PFC A. A. BENTLEY
PVT V. M. BOTTACHIARI
PVT E. O. BRASEL
PFC C. J. BROOKS
PVT M. H. BULTMAN
PFC* B. K. BURGESS
PFC G. CAZAREZ
PFC B. A. CHAVARRIAREYES
PFC N. D. CHEN
PFC G. M. COLVIN
PVT J. D. COOK
PFC C. D. COONAN
PFC N. H. DANG
PVT C. J. DOODY
PFC T. P. EIXMANN
PVT E. ELIASI
PVT D. K. FRESQUEZ
PVT M. GALICIACORREO
PVT J. GARCIACHAO
PFC V. GONZALEZ
PFC S. G. GONZALEZHERNANDEZ
PFC D. A. GUSTAFSON
PVT T. J. HAGEN
PFC A. HERNANDEZMARTINEZ
PVT Z. G. HESFORD
PVT N. J. HOFFMAN
PVT B. P. HORNUNG
PVT D. W. HOWARD
PVT S. X. HUEREQUE
PVT J. D. JIMENEZ
PVT C. JIMENEZCASIANO
PFC S. O. JONES
PFC J. Q. KENNEDY
PVT X. LECOMPTE
PVT A. W. LESTER
PFC* H. L. LEWELLING
PVT K. E. LINVOG
PFC S. LOZANORIVERA

PFC D. T. MAKESROOM
PVT M. J. MANYGOATS
PVT A. P. MARQUEZ
PVT K. W. MARTELL
PFC S. I. MARTINHOLMES
PFC E. MAYAREBOLLEDO
PFC T. R. MCCLELLAND
PVT N. L. MCDERMOTT
PVT E. R. MEDLEY
PVT P. S. MIDDLETON
PVT A. M. MITCHELL
PVT J. Y. MOLINA
PVT K. E. MONSIVAIS
PVT J. MORALES
PFC J. J. MORALES
PFC B. C. MORRISON
PVT J. R. MUIR
PVT B. W. MULLINS
PVT A. J. MURGUIA
PVT M. S. NABAHE
PFC* Z. J. NELSON
PVT C. N. NEWELL
PFC J. T. NIETO
PVT M. A. NOVAK
PFC A. B. PALLOGOMEZ
PVT J. M. PERSINGER
PFC D. E. REINHARDT
PVT G. W. REYNOLDS
PFC F. S. RIVAS
PFC J. S. ROBERTSON
PFC F. K. RODRIGUEZ
PVT N. L. ROSENOW
PVT B. B. ROTH
PFC V. SANCHEZBAUTISTA
PVT J. T. SCHWEIZER
PFC J. R. SHOUE
PFC A. SOLORIO
PVT S. C. SONN
PFC T. SOTELOVILLA
PFC S. O. STANTON
PFC J. T. STARNES
PVT J. L. THOMAS
PVT E. A. TRUJILLO
PFC A. J. TZULHAMORRO
PVT A. O. VALLEMEJIA
PVT Y. VANG
PVT R. M. VIARRIAL
PFC A. J. VILLALVA
PVT H. C. WILLIAMSON
PVT A. M. WRIGHT

PLATOON
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SENIOR DRILL INSTRUCTOR
SERGEANT J. PONCENEITO

DRILL INSTRUCTORS
SERGEANT J. M. FALBY
SERGEANT G. A. GUTIERREZ
SERGEANT F. D. RODRIGUEZ
SERGEANT M. F. BUCKHANAN

PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST

PRIVATE A. M. CAMARENA (296)

PLATOON HIGH SHOOTER

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PHASE II

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).

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 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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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 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.