1st Battalion, Recruit Training Regiment



Welcome to 1st Battalion,

I am pleased to have the opportunity to serve you and your family during your tour here aboard Marine Corps Recruit Depot San Diego. It is my goal to provide information, tools, and resources necessary to assist you in facing the challenges of military life and the rigors of being a part of our Drill Instructor family. I am here to ensure that you are aware of community, base, and battalion events, as well as resources such as education, childcare, counseling, and healthcare. I am also here to help with any issues you feel comfortable bringing to my attention.

I have thirteen years of Marine Corps Service. My wife, Diane, and our baby boy are here to support you in any way possible. Together we have been through many moves, separations due to training, and deployments. We are very much aware of the rigors and challenges that face a military family and we want you to know that we are here to support you every step of the way. If at any time you have any questions or concerns and are not sure where to seek assistance, please contact me and I will assist in any manner I can.

Volunteering with the battalion can make things a little easier. We have a variety of opportunities ranging from helping out at events, attending our monthly meetings, and helping out from home. While volunteering you are welcome to give as much or as little time as you'd like and have available. We are sure to make every opportunity child friendly; whether you can have your child with you, or we provide care. Please talk to me about it if you are at all interested.

Email is primarily used to pass important information. Once your Marine checks in with me, if you are not receiving my emails at least once a week, please let me know so I can add or update your email in our distribution list.

We would like to see you at Initial and Final Drills, Family days, graduations, and any other events that the Companies and Battalion host. I look forward to working with you and to help make your time with 1st Battalion a great one.

Welcome Aboard,

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