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GIVE IT ALL YOU GOT

Recruiting Subordinate Station Arlington poolees train with their recruiters to prepare for Marine Corps boot camp

U.S. Marine Corps photo by Cpl. Melissa A. Latty



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COMMANDER'S CORNER



Major Johnathan Camarillo

Future Marines,

I'm Major Jonathan Camarillo and I recently joined the Spartan Family in June. I've met some of you and have been inspired by your motivation to be one of the BEST! A US MARINE!

First, I'd like to commend you on your decision to seek out the opportunity to defend the Constitution of the United States. Only 1% of American's are in the military and with the Marine Corps only having 202,000 of those, even less are or ever will be Marines. So you are in an elite company of Warriors. As a future Marine I do expect some actions from you.

First, hard work is not easy but it is fair. I expect you to get yourself ready to be a Marine and act like a Marine at all times. Physically: I expect you to be the best you can in running, pull-ups, and crunches. Morally: I expect you to stay out of trouble. Don't risk your opportunity to become a Marine by doing something foolish, it's not worth the opportunity to change your life.

Second, I expect you to replace yourself. You have an opportunity to make a Marine Corps comprised of quality individuals like yourself. You know who is cut out to be a Marine and who the good guys and gals are, so SEE CC, PG 4

Straight from the Sergeant Major



Sergeant Major Charles H. Ridgeway Jr.

School will soon be back in session and all of you are expected to attend all of your classes, carry yourselves as Marine Poolees and graduate on time! If any of you are having difficulty in any of your classes make sure that you let your recruiter know as soon as possible. Other Poolees are preparing for Boot Camp in the coming months to begin a life's changing experience. Continue to get yourselves mentally and physically ready for the challenges ahead and stay in contact with your Recruiter each week. Every one of you are going to go through the "fog of war" which is basically the fear of the unknown which is normal! I would ask that you share that feeling with your recruiter so that they can help you work through that as much as possible but understand it will not totally go away until the day that you become a United States Marine!

I promise you that if you give us everything that you have in preparing for what the Corps has prepared to build on what your parents, coaches and mentors in your life have already instilled, we will take you to the next level! Just like some of the best investment companies, the Corps still gives back a "dollar" for every "dollar" that you put in! Your "dollar" is physical and mental effort which cost you nothing but sweat as you gain!

Periodically, the Pool Coordinator, Programs Specialist and I will contact you about your pool attendance and progress while in the Delay Entry Program. We will also monitor your Initial Strength Test (IST) results. If you fail the SEE SM, PG 5

HONOR - Integrity, Responsibility, Accountability
COURAGE - Do the right thing, in the right way, for the right reasons
COMMITMENT - Devotion to the Corps and fellow Marines

The Marine Corps Referral Program

As a member of the Delayed Entry Program, you can start to benefit immediately by participating in one of these programs, the Poolee Referral Program.

While in the DEP you should refer at least two individuals who actually enlist in the Marine Corps or Marine Corps Reserve, you will receive a promotion to Private First Class upon graduating recruit training. Other incentives may be provided at the local level for your referrals. Ask your recruiter about additional incentives.

This is how the program works:

With minimal effort on your part, you provide the recruiter with the names and phone numbers of individuals who you feel should become future Marines.

Simply fill out a referral card and give it to your recruiter. Keep a record of your refer-

als. Note: Not everyone will enlist, so it is beneficial to provide as many quality referrals as possible.

When the first two men or women are enlisted, you will be presented with a certificate of promotion.

While at recruit training, and as soon as your second referral enlists into the Marine Corps, you will begin to receive pay as a private first class, rather than a private effective of from the day of shipping to boot camp.

The difference in pay between a private and private first class is quite substantial. For more specific information regarding this pay difference, consult your recruiter.

After graduation from recruit training, you will continue to benefit.

You'll be eligible for promotion to lance corporal six months after graduating from

recruit training, well ahead of your peers. The benefits of this promotion include additional pay and the potential for advancing to positions of increased responsibility. After eight months as a lance corporal, you will become eligible for promotion to corporal.

As with promotions, you again receive a pay increase and assume greater responsibilities. Additionally, as a corporal, you become a non-commissioned officer, and will participate in specialized leadership training. As you can see, the benefits of a little effort can be of great value to you starting your first day at recruit training.

This program opens the door to opportunity... So get started Today! Earn your first promotion and help build the Corps of tomorrow.

A private earns \$1,357.20 a month for the first four months of service.

He earns \$1,467.60 from that point on.

Promotion to private first class earns you \$1,644.90 a month.

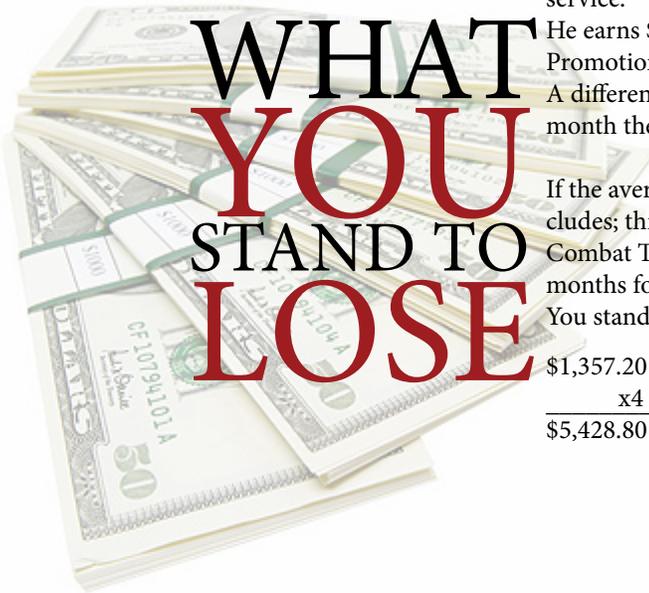
A difference of \$287.70/month for the first four, and \$177.30 every month there after until promotion.

If the average length of time in which a Marine needs to train includes; three months for recruit training and one more for Marine Combat Training and or the School of Infantry, and another two months for your job school.

You stand to lose a total of **\$1505.40** over that six month period.

\$1,357.20	\$1,467.60	\$5,428.80
<u> x4</u>	<u> x2</u>	<u>\$2,935.20</u>
\$5,428.80	\$2,935.20	\$8,364.00 over six months as a private

\$1,644.90
<u> x6</u>
\$9,869.40 over six months as a private first class



JUDGEMENT- The ability to weigh facts and possible courses of action in order to make sound decisions.
JUSTICE - Giving reward and punishment according to the merits of the case in question.

CC CONT. FROM PG. 2

tell them your story. Tell them what the Marine Corps has done for you thus far and about all the opportunities available in the Marine Corps. Especially share with them that once you become a Marine you will never be the same. Your family, friends, teachers, and coaches will all look at you differently, but more importantly you will look at yourself differently.

Thirdly, I expect you to listen to the Marines that brought you into this family of warriors. The Marine that shared his time and told you about the Marine Corps is not a professional salesman. He is a Marine. These Marines have been battle tested in Iraq and Afghanistan and are now sharing with you the things you will need to become successful in life. Trust them.

In closing I look forward to meeting every one of you and I'll see you on the PULL-UP BAR!

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MARINE CORPS ACRONYMS AND TERMS

PT - Physical Training	OIF - Operation Iraqi Freedom
IST - Initial Strength Test	OEF - Operation Enduring Freedom
PFT - Physical Fitness Test	Head - Bathroom
CFT - Combat Fitness Test	Bulkhead - Wall
DI - Drill Instructor	Deck - Floor
NCO - Non-commissioned officer	Porthole - Window
NCOIC - Non-commissioned officer-in-charge	Portholes - Glasses
SNCO - Staff non-commissioned officer	Scuttlebutt - Water fountain or Gossip
SNCOIC - Staff non-commissioned officer-in charge	Chow - Food
OIC - Officer-in-charge	Chow Hall - Cafeteria
RS - Recruiting Station	Hump - Hike
RSS - Recruiting Substation	Good to Go - Acknowledgement of an order
NROTC - Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps	Oorah - an expression of enthusiasm used by Marines
MEOP - Musician Enlistment Option Program	Doubletime - Run
MEPS - Military Entrance Processing Station	About Face - To turn completely around
CO - Commanding Officer	Right/Left Face - To turn to the left or right
XO - Executive Officer	Devil Dog - A name given to Marines by Germans during the Battle of Belleau Wood
PMI - Primary Marksmanship Instructor	
POA - Position of Attention	

Spend a Day at the Military Entrance Processing Command

To experience what processing into the Marine Corps is like, spend a day at the Military Entrance Processing Command.

Go to, <http://www.mepcom.army.mil/>, and click on the link 'A day at MEPS'

From there you can choose the option that best fits your system and bandwidth requirements, or download the movie for later viewing

DEPENDABILITY - The certainty of proper performance of duty.

INITIATIVE - Taking action in the absence of orders.

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IST we will do everything in our power to get you where you need to be but it will make things harder for you if we see minimal effort. If you continue to have issues we will adjust your shipping date at our leisure and move another poolee up who is ready for the rigors of Recruit Training and becoming one of the “World’s Finest”! Once that is done we will decide if we want you on our team any longer and if we decide that you do not deserve an opportunity to become a United States Marine, we will discharge you! We could decide to have you go before a Recruiting Station Headquarters Discharge Review Board where once again, we will decide if we want to spend any more of our time and effort toward your success or discharging you so that we can focus on others who have more focus. We are committed to you but the more you give us, the better your results during and after the Corps! The “polish” that we use will help you become a better and more productive citizen and more marketable in the business world or while going to institutions of higher learning.

If you are having problems with your weight you need to adjust your eating habits and fluid intake. Drink more water, do not eat after 1900, let go of the soft drinks and eat smaller portions. No “crazy” diets! You will see results if you do those things and add in some cardio the physical part of recruit training will not be as difficult as it could have been.

We have our monthly Pool Function/Field-meet coming up on 13 August and I want every Poolee in attendance, no excuses! This is your opportunity to see what you can do when it is your Recruiting Sub-Station against another in a little friendly competition. If you contact your recruiter you will find out what events your sector will be having. We will have some fun, competition and it will be educational. The Pool Function/Field-meet will be focused on you, the poolees but I am sure if you ask your recruiter where the event will take place they would love to have your family come out with their lawn chairs and show their support.

I have met quite a few of you from some of our Sub Stations and I am happy to say that I have been overall impressed with what most of you have achieved since joining our delay Entry Program! I recently went to a station and spent a few hours with the Marines and there must have been at least 10 Poolees in the office and at no time was there less than 3 Poolees in the office helping out or eating chow. Great to see Poolees already understanding the commitment and family atmosphere that we have as brothers and sisters in the Corps! Like us, who have already earned the title Marine, I can see that you too feel like you are starting to become, “The Few, The Proud”! Keep doing the positive things that you are doing!

For any of you that have lost focus maybe you should change the company that you keep or remember the reasons that you decided at your own free will that you wanted the Corps to assist with your dreams and goals! My Pool Coordinator and I will plan a visit to your house in the near future if you don’t act like the same responsible person that decided to join our Together Everyone Achieves More.

“Training and Education are two different things. Training gives you a skill set to perform a specific task. Education provides you with academic theory for problem solving issues.” Master Sergeant Juan Lopez, USMC

We will give you both Training and Education.

Once again, I applaud each and every one of you for deciding to take charge of your future and not “failing to prepare.” We are the toughest yet one of the smallest military organizations in the world but like Spartans, we are often victorious competitors in everything that we do.

I look forward to working out with you in the future and tracking your progress all the way through Boot Camp. Until we meet, stay focused and motivated because you have now set yourself apart from the rest to lead from the front!

From the Heart
Sergeant Major Ridgeway

DECISIVENESS - Ability to make decisions promptly and to announce them in a clear, forceful manner.
TACT - The ability to deal with others without creating hostility.

MARINE CORPS RANKS

E-1 - PRIVATE - NO INSIGNIA		O-1 - 2ND LIEUTENANT - ONE GOLD BAR		W-1 - WARRANT OFFICER- ONE GOLD BAR, TWO RED SQUARES	
E-2 - PRIVATE FIRST CLASS - ONE STRIPE UP			O-2 - 1ST LIEUTENANT - ONE SILVER BAR		W-2 - CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 2 - ONE SILVER BAR, TWO RED SQUARES
E-3 - LANCE CORPORAL - ONE STRIPE UP, CROSS RIFLES			O-3 - CAPTAIN - TWO SILVER BARS CONNECTED		W-3 - CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 3 - ONE GOLD BAR, THREE RED SQUARES
E-4 - CORPORAL - TWO STRIPES UP, CROSS RIFLES			O-4 - MAJOR - ONE GOLD OAK LEAF		W-4 - CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 4 - ONE SILVER BAR, THREE RED SQUARES
E-5 - SERGEANT - THREE STRIPES UP, CROSS RIFLES			O-5 - LIEUTENANT COLONEL - ONE SILVER OAK LEAF		W-5 - CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER 5 - ONE SILVER BAR, ONE RED STRIPE
E-6 - STAFF SERGEANT - THREE STRIPES UP, ONE ROCKER DOWN, CROSS RIFLES			O-6 - COLONEL - ONE SILVER EAGLE		
E-7 - GUNNERY SERGEANT - THREE STRIPES UP, TWO ROCKERS DOWN, CROSS RIFLES			O-7 - BRIGADIER GENERAL - ONE SILVER STAR		
E-8 - FIRST SERGEANT - THREE STRIPES UP, THREE ROCKERS DOWN, DIAMOND			O-8 - MAJOR GENERAL - TWO SILVER STARS		
E-8 - MASTER SERGEANT - THREE STRIPES UP, THREE ROCKERS DOWN, CROSS RIFLES			O-9 - LIEUTENANT GENERAL - THREE SILVER STARS		
E-9 - MASTER GUNNERY SERGEANT - THREE STRIPES UP, FOUR ROCKERS DOWN, BURSTING BOMB			O-10 - GENERAL - FOUR SILVER STARS		
E-9 - SERGEANT MAJOR - THREE STRIPES UP, FOUR ROCKERS DOWN, STAR					
E-9 - SERGEANT MAJOR OF THE MARINE CORPS- THREE STRIPES UP, FOUR ROCKERS DOWN, EAGLE, GLOBE AND ANCHOR FLANKED BY TWO STARS					

INTEGRITY - Uprightness of character and soundness of moral principles.
ENTHUSIASM - The display of sincere interest and exuberance in the performance of duty.

POOLEE HIGHLIGHT:

Joshua Peralta

Former Target Employee , RSS Arlington Guide
From Victoria, Tx



Why did you decide to join the Marine Corps ?

I wanted to go to UNT. I waited and waited and didn't get any scholarships and didn't want to get into debt with student loans. I had to decide on something else. It didn't take me long to decide Marines.

When do you leave for boot camp?

August 8.

What is your military occupational specialty ?

Musician Enlisted Option Program. I will be playing tenor saxophone.

Did you play any highschool sports?

No, I was just a band guy.

What do you expect to get out of Marine Corps boot camp?

Leadership, shape-up and get out of my kid mind.

What question do you have about boot camp?

Is it mentally as hard as people say it is?

Where do you want to go in the Marine Corps?

Anywhere.... California, Japan...

What are your fitness goals?

Be able to do 25 pull-ups.



Gunnery Sgt. Robert Purnell, staff noncommissioned officer-in-charge, Recruiting Subordinate Station Arlington, leads his poolees in side-straddle-hops during a pool function July 28, 2011.



Poolees and guest of Recruiting Subordinate Station Arlington, sit listening to a brief from their staff noncommissioned officer-in-charge, Gunnery Sgt. Robert Purnell, during a pool function July 28, 2011.

BEARING - Creating a favorable impression in carriage, appearance, and personal conduct at all times.

UNSELFISHNESS - Avoidance of providing for one's own personal advancement at the expense of others.

COURAGE - recognize the fear of danger or criticism, but proceed in the face of it with calmness and firmness.

POOLEE HIGHLIGHT: *Kennya Ramirez* Whataburger Employee, RSS Arlington From Bryan, Tx



Why did you decide to join the Marine Corps ?

I wanted to do something before going to college. The Marine Corps seemed like the best.

When do you leave for boot camp?

January 17.

What is your military occupational specialty ?

Logistics.

Did you play any highschool sports?

I played softball. 3rd Base.

What do you expect to get out of Marine Corps boot camp?

Discipline

What question do you have about boot camp?

Are female drill instructors more intense than the male drill instructors?

Where do you want to go in the Marine Corps?

Everywhere

What are your fitness goals?

Get my 1.5 miles under 10 minutes.



Kennya Ramirez, a poolee at Recruiting Subordinate Station Arlington, sprints during a relay race at a pool function, July 28.

“I wanted to do something before going to college. The Marine Corps seemed like the best.”

Poolees at Recruiting Subordinate Station Arlington ‘build a house’ during a pool function, July 28.



KNOWLEDGE - Having professional knowledge and understanding your Marines.

LOYALTY - The quality of faithfulness to country, the Corps, and unit, and to one’s seniors, subordinates, and peers.

ENDURANCE - The mental and physical stamina to withstand pain, fatigue, stress, and hardship.