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"The noise you hear is the sound of freedom."



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August 12, 1918, The Secretary of the Navy authorized the enlistment of women in the Marine Corps Reserve

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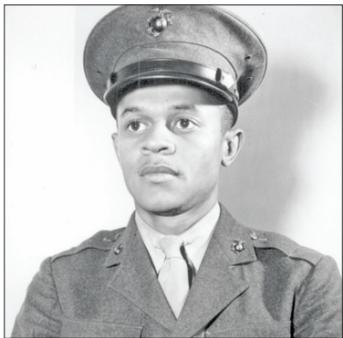


Photo special to The Jet Stream

**Howard P. Perry gets a photo taken of himself in his uniform at Montford Point, June 1, 1942. Perry was the first black Marine to enlist into the Marine Corps.**

## Awarding the past

Lance Cpl. Rubin J. Tan  
Staff Writer

General James Amos, the commandant of the Marine Corps, attended a National Naval Officers Association meeting Aug. 2 where he proposed that Congress honor the Montford Point Marines with a Congressional Gold medal.

The medal is the highest civilian award given by the United States Congress to any individual who performs a distinguished act which helps the security, prosperity and national interest of the United States.

From 1942-1949 Montford Point, now Camp Johnson in Camp Lejeune, N.C., was a segregated recruit training facility separate from the traditional West and East Coast Recruit Depots.

"[The first black Marines] had one thing in common about their entry and training into the Marine Corps, they all went through Montford Point, it was the beginning and it was hard," said Amos.

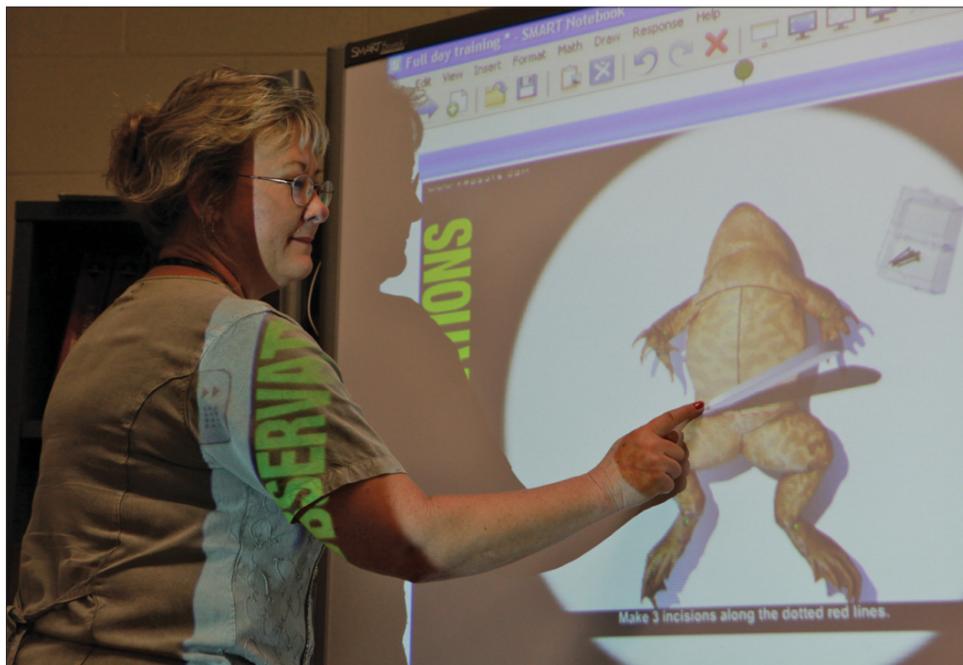
The Senate approved the Montford Point Marines Day last year to honor the Montford Point Marines on Aug. 26, the first day black recruits began to train.

This year at the 8th and I Marine Barracks in Washington, D.C., a ceremony will be held to honor the Montford Point Marines as they get the opportunity to participate in the parade.

The Montford Point Marines Day was a project proposed by the Montford Point Marine Association, and

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# Hands-on boarding



Cpl. Justin M. Boling

**Jodi Wuttke, an Elliott Elementary kindergarten teacher, dissects a frog using one of the multimedia programs loaded onto the SMART Board during the Aug. 8 class at the Air Station Structural Fire Department. During the day-long course educators from the three Department of Defense schools on Laurel Bay were present to learn how to integrate the technology into their curriculum.**

## Laurel Bay educators get smart on SMART Board

Cpl. Justin M. Boling  
Staff Writer

Educators gathered at the Air Station Structural Fire Department Aug. 8 to learn how to better integrate the use of SMART Boards into the upcoming year's curriculum.

The day-long course focused on making the educators more familiar with the device and accompanying software, so they can better implement it in the classroom.

"The one goal that we had was to get teachers to use this equipment and integrate it into the daily lesson plan," said Dianne Talbert, a multimedia services educational consultant. "When using a SMART Board, students become more interactive with the daily lesson plan, it allows their fingers to become the mouse and actually get hands on experience from what maybe a less-than-interesting topic."

SMART Boards are similar to a dry erase board, but with endless multi-media and learning possibilities. The technology works by syncing a computer and projector to the board, which allows the students and educators to in-

teract with whatever is on the screen.

"There are SMART Boards in the classrooms at my school and it is really cool to write on it," said Caitlin Ulmer, a fourth-grade student. "There are a lot of cool things that I got to do on the board and it helps me understand better."

The SMART Exchange offers thousands of options when it comes to planning lessons including interactive games, video and three-dimensional models. All of these tools are at the disposal of the educators to aid in teaching their students.

"The SMART Board allows teachers to utilize all of the same programs they use for presentations and lessons, but with more interaction and with more options," Talbert said.

All they really need to learn is the basics. Then, they can use the technology to meet the needs of the subject whether they are teaching science, mathematics or even music, added Talbert.

In a world fueled by people using their

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## Planning futures, opening windows

Lance Cpl. Josh Pettway  
Staff Writer

Career planners open doors for Marines by coaching them on their career's progression. Marines are competitive, that's common knowledge. Improving is something service members do from the beginning of recruit training and are guided through by their seniors.

However, there are specific Marines whose goals are to ensure each of their fellow Belleau Woodsmen receive proper career guidance. Career planners, or career retention specialists, exist to connect and inform the individual Marine on their potential career paths and options within, and even outside of, the Corps.

"We act as the conduit for Marines," said Sgt. Marcus Penn, Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 31 career planner. "It isn't our job to make the choice for them, but to



Lance Cpl. Josh Pettway

**Gunnery Sgt. Orion Murray, of Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, is among one of many career planners assigned to the units aboard the Air Station whose priority is raising Marines' awareness of the different opportunities available to them.**

provide them with knowledge on what their options are and the steps they need to take to obtain their goals at that point in their life."

Every Marine is trained by their chain of command from the moment they touch ground in their work place

and are given guidance on how to apply what they learned. However, career planners offer knowledge that covers a broader spectrum of the Corps

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## BAH frozen for E-5, below

Lance Cpl. Josh Pettway  
Staff Writer

Marine Administrative Message 429/11 states all pending and future requests for basic allowance for housing for Marines, sergeant and below, without dependents will be frozen effective July 29.

Exceptions to the policy will be approved on a case-by-case basis by installation commanders.

According to Sgt. Maj. William Burton, the Air Station sergeant major, Fightertown has already been enforcing the Corps' policy on BAH approval.

According to the MARADMIN, further requests may only be submitted when barracks capacity is more than 95 percent. Future requests will only be approved if they are authorized by installation commanders per Marine Corps Order. Individual requests will be handled on a case by case basis.

In the past, Marines were permitted to request BAH without meeting the normal requirements, though Marine Corps installations maintain adequate barracks space.

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## CO, officials tie loose ends

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### MESS HALL MENU

**Monday - Friday**  
 Breakfast: 6 - 7:30 a.m.  
 Lunch: 11 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.  
 Dinner: 4 - 6 p.m.

**Saturday, Sunday and holidays**  
 Brunch: 8 - 11 a.m.  
 Dinner: 4 - 6 p.m.

**MIDRATS**

**Sunday - Thursday**  
 11:30 p.m. - 1 a.m.

\* Take-out window: Monday - Friday 7:30 - 10 p.m.  
 Sunday - Thursday 6 - 8:30 p.m.

**Saturday**

**Lunch** Chicken and broccoli and confetti rice  
**Dinner** Pork loin and stewed tomatoes

**Sunday**

**Lunch** Baked herb fish and green bean creole  
**Dinner** Meat loaf and Louisiana squash

**Monday - Friday Breakfast**

Hot farina, hot hominy grits and oven fried bacon

**Monday**

**Lunch** Beef short ribs and steamed rice  
**Dinner** Chicken gumbo soup and rice

**Tuesday**

**Lunch** Fried chicken and southern style greens  
**Dinner** Roast beef and buttered potatoes

**Wednesday**

**Lunch** Baked smoked ham and raisin sauce  
**Dinner** Swedish meatballs and rice pilaf

**Thursday**

**Lunch** Pasta Toscano and Harvard beets  
**Dinner** Herb roasted chicken and dirty rice

**Friday**

**Lunch** Boneless turkey and mashed potatoes  
**Dinner** Braised beef and noodles and vegetables



### CHAPEL SERVICES

**Roman Catholic**  
 • 9:30 a.m. - Sunday Mass  
 • 11:15 a.m. - Weekly Mass: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

**Protestant**  
 • 9:45 a.m. - Protestant Church School (Sunday School)  
 • 11 a.m. - Protestant Sunday Worship Service  
 • 11:30 a.m. - Wednesday Bible Study  
 • 5 p.m. - Protestant Bible Study

**Other Faith Groups**  
 • For Jewish, Mormon and Islamic support, contact the Chaplain's Office at 228-7775

## SQUADRON HAPPENING

**Marine All-Weather Fighter Attack Squadron 224 are invited to the first meeting of their enlisted spouse's club at Gilligan's Aug. 26. For more information, call 228-9413.**



# Fightertown News Briefs

#### Public works has moved

Public Works has moved from Building 616 to trailers A, D, and E in the parking lot adjacent to Building 618. Administration and Facilities Support Contracting is in trailer A, Engineering in trailer D, and Energy and Utilities and Maintenance Control are in trailer E. All phone numbers and email addresses remain the same. All meetings held in the Public Works Conference Room in building 616 will now be held in building 1204 at their regularly scheduled times.

#### Attention boaters

Notice to Mariners. Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island will be conducting extended live-fire training Wednesday, Aug. 17 from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. The marsh and waterways in the range impact area to include Archers Creek, Ribbon Creek, and Edding Creek will be closed to boater traffic.

For questions regarding firing times and waterway closures, contact the Weapons and Field Training Battalion Range Control at 228-3170.

## BE PREPARED FOR A HURRICANE

#### When is hurricane season

June 1 – November 30

#### What is a hurricane?

A hurricane is a tropical cyclone, which generally forms in the tropics and is accompanied by thunderstorms and a counterclockwise circulation of winds (in the Atlantic Ocean). Tropical cyclones are classified as follows:

**Tropical Depression** - An organized system of clouds and thunderstorms with a defined surface circulation and maximum sustained winds of 38 mph or less.

**Tropical Storm** - An organized system of strong thunderstorms with a defined surface circulation and maximum sustained winds of 39-73 mph.

**Hurricane** - An intense tropical weather system of strong thunderstorms with a well-defined surface circulation and maximum sustained winds of 74 mph or higher.

#### What are the hurricane hazards?

**Storm Surge:** Storm surge is water that is pushed toward the shore by the force of the winds swirling around the storm. This advancing surge combines with the normal tides to create the hurricane storm tide, which can increase the water level 15 feet or more.

**Inland Flooding:** In the last 30 years, inland flooding has been responsible for more than half the deaths associated with tropical cyclones in the United States.

**High Winds:** Hurricane force winds can destroy poorly constructed buildings and mobile homes. Debris such as signs, roofing material, and small items left outside become flying missiles in hurricanes.

**Tornadoes:** Hurricanes can produce tornadoes that add to the storm's destructive power. Tornadoes are most likely to occur in the right front quadrant of the hurricane.

#### What should I do when a watch or warning is issued?

When a hurricane watch is issued for your part of the coast this indicates the possibility that you could experience hurricane conditions within 36 hours. This watch should trigger your family's disaster plan, and proactive measures should be initiated, especially those actions that require extra time such as securing a boat, leaving a barrier island, etc.

When a hurricane warning is issued for your part of the coast this indicates sustained winds of at least 74 mph are expected within 24 hours. Once this warning has been issued, your family should be in the process of completing proactive actions and deciding the safest location to be during the storm.

#### What actions should you take to be prepared?

Have a family disaster plan and disaster supply kit.

Purchase or use a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Weather Radio in your home with a tone alert feature. This will allow you to receive warnings issued by your local National Weather Service office.

#### Stay tuned to local media.



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## Things you need to know

#### Fraud, Waste and Abuse

If you know of or suspect any fraud, waste or abuse aboard MCAS Beaufort, call 228-7777.  
 If you know of or suspect any fraud, waste or abuse within MAG-31, call (252) 466-5038.  
 The automated answering service on these lines are available 24 hours a day.

#### Sexual Assault

The contact numbers for a Uniformed Victim Advocate are 228-4784 and 228-4110. The after hours number is 592-0646.

#### Siren sound meanings

Upon notification from the weather office, Giant Voice pre-recorded messages will be broadcast. All destructive weather notifications begin and end with a 12 second wailing siren. Then follow on information is repeated twice between siren wails. The following are abbreviated examples of each warning that will be broadcast through Giant Voice.

- Lightning within 5 nautical miles...
- Thunder storm Condition 1, winds up to 50 knots and/ or hail up to 3/4 of an inch...
- Tornado condition 1 a tornado is imminent...
- Tornado condition 2... observed within 60 nautical miles
- An all clear broadcast will be announced sounding "all clear".
- Test tone – A steady tone will be broadcast for 10 seconds, followed by an alert stating "This is a test" and then another 10 second tone. For more information please call 228-7904, or for example warning tones, visit: [www.whelen.com/outdoor/warningtones.htm](http://www.whelen.com/outdoor/warningtones.htm)

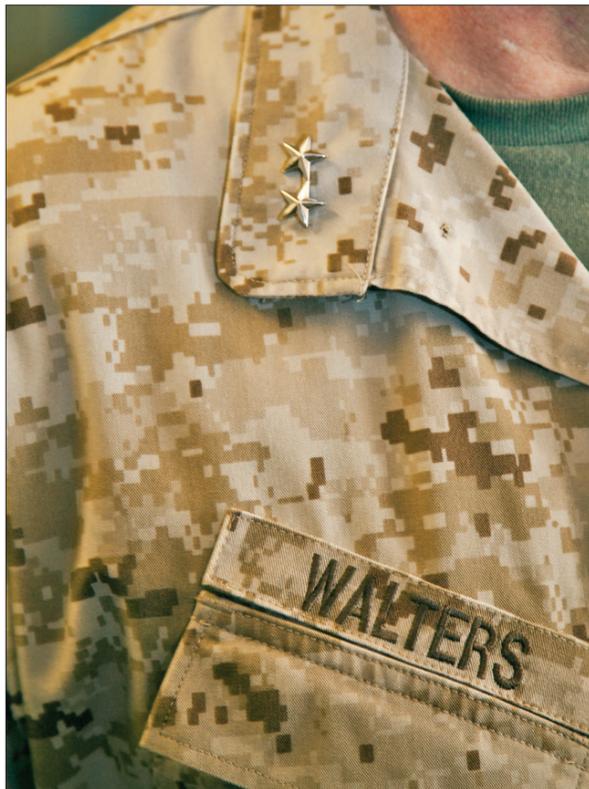
# 2d MAW(Fwd.)

## Senior US Marine aviator in Afghanistan receives second star



Photos by Staff Sgt. James R. Richardson

**Newly promoted Maj. Gen. Glenn M. Walters deployed to Afghanistan in February from Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, N.C. In Afghanistan, Walters leads the aviation combat element in support of NATO International Security Assistance Force's Regional Command Southwest.**



2nd Marine Aircraft Wing (Fwd.)  
Public Affairs  
2nd Marine Aircraft Wing (Fwd)

**CAMP LEATHERNECK, Afghanistan** — The commanding general of 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing (Forward) pinned on his second star in a ceremony at Camp Leatherneck, Afghanistan, Aug. 2.

Newly promoted Maj. Gen. Glenn M. Walters deployed to Afghanistan in February from Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, N.C. In Afghanistan, Walters leads the aviation combat element in support of NATO International Security Assistance Force's Regional Command Southwest.

"I pin on another star today, not due to my own efforts, but because of the quality of Marines that serve in my command," Walters said following the promotion ceremony. "They are the only reason I am a major general today."

The general has under his charge thousands of U.S. Marines and other coalition troops who work together to

provide aerial medical evacuation, close-air support, and troop and cargo transport using a variety of Marine Corps and British aircraft.

The aviation forces under Walters' leadership support U.S., NATO coalition and Afghan operations in Afghanistan's Nimruz and Helmand provinces.

Walters was commissioned as a second lieutenant in the Marine Corps in May 1979, following his graduation from The Citadel. After attending flight school, Walters became a pilot of Marine Corps AH-1 Cobra attack helicopters.

In August 2003, Walters became the first commanding officer of Marine Tiltrotor Operational Test and Evaluation Squadron 22, at Marine Corps Air Station New River, N.C. There, Walters and his Marines oversaw the testing of the MV-22B Osprey, a Marine Corps aircraft which has become a fixture in the Afghan skies.



**Major Gen. John A. Toolan, right, the commanding general of Regional Command Southwest, prepares to promote Maj. Gen. Glenn M. Walters, left, the commanding general of 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing (Forward), to his current rank at Camp Leatherneck, Afghanistan, Aug. 2.**

Connect with 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing (Forward) throughout the deployment. Stay up to date with the latest 2d MAW (Fwd.) news, photos and videos at <http://www.facebook.com/2ndmawfwd>.

## Marine heavy helicopter squadron transfers authority in Afghanistan

Cpl. Samantha H. Arrington  
2nd Marine Aircraft Wing (Fwd)

**CAMP BASTION, Afghanistan** — Marine Heavy Helicopter Squadron 461 transferred authority of supporting Marines and their coalition partners in southwestern Afghanistan to HMH-464, at Camp Bastion, Afghanistan, Aug. 1.

Both Marine Corps squadrons use the CH-53E Super Stallion, the largest helicopter in the U.S. military. The squadrons are relied upon to move troops and cargo, and to perform heavy-lift operations, such as moving large pieces of equipment or rescuing downed aircraft.

"The Marines did everything and more they could do out here, they went above and beyond what was asked of them, that's a Marine trait," said Sgt. Maj. Rodolfo Graham, the sergeant major of HMH-461. "They are excellent, and I am very proud of them."

Though deployed under the banner of HMH-461 in Afghanistan, the CH-53E Super Stallion squadron was augmented with Marines from HMH-465.

"I am excited and anxious to go home," said Lance Cpl. Sean J. Gherre, an airframe mechanic with HMH-465. "Now I just want to go back, see my

family and sleep."

The Marines of HMH-461 are now slated to return home to friends and families at Marine Corps Air Station New River, N.C., and the Marines of HMH-465 will return home to Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Calif.

"We are going to go home and take some well deserved time off," said Graham. "Then we will get back to work."

During the outgoing squadron's deployment, the Marines of HMH-461 flew their CH-53E Super Stallions for more than 4,000 hours while completing nearly 1,000 combat missions. They also transported about 35,000 passengers and moved 7.1 million pounds of cargo around Afghanistan's Nimruz and Helmand provinces. The squadron also supported tactical recovery of aircraft and personnel missions, lifting two damaged NATO H-47 Chinook helicopters to safety.

"The hours were long and tiring," said Gherre. "But knowing that I did something important out here and knowing that I had a part in the bigger picture was the best part of my deployment."

Lieutenant Col. Alison J. Thompson, the incoming squadron's commanding officer and Sgt. Maj. Steven L. Lunsford, the HMH-464 sergeant

major will lead nearly 300 Marines through the rigors of deployment.

"My goal for the squadron is to provide the very best assault support possible to the warfighter on the ground, that is why we are here," said Thompson. "Stemming from this endeavor, I want to bring home all the Marines and Sailors having grown personally and professionally and knowing that they made a positive contribution to the fabric of the unit and to the theater effort."

Lunsford said he knows his Marines are devoted to the vast array of operations HMH-464, will be called upon to undertake.

"I've heard a lot of stories about Afghanistan and deployment and I'm excited that I get to make my own new story," said Lance Cpl. Shannon M. Flinn, an administrative clerk with HMH-464. "I want to learn to do my job really well and to just improve myself."

Like the departing squadron, HMH-464 will be a combined unit of both East and West coast Marines. Thompson said she predicts HMH-464, from New River, will be able to work together with augments from Miramar's HMH-462 as seamlessly as their predecessors did.

## CORPS BITS



### Air support begins with ordnance Marines

**KANDAHAR AIRFIELD, Afghanistan** — Thousands of Marines and Afghan and coalition troops rely on 2nd Marine Aircraft Wing (Forward) for close air support. Here at Kandahar Airfield, that responsibility is carried on the wings of Marine Attack Squadron 513's AV-8B Harriers.

Hundreds of Marines work 24 hours a day at the Harrier squadron to ensure an attack jet is ready whenever it's needed.

However the ordnance, the bombs and bullets that make a Marine Corps Harrier a force to be feared, comes from a handful of Marines just down the road from the attack squadron's hangar.

MALS-40, a unit which only fully exists on deployment, is a unique amalgamation of Marine Corps aviation logistics assets. Marines from squadrons across the Marine Corps serve under the MALS-40 banner in Afghanistan.

With this geographic combination of Marines comes a mix in backgrounds, and MALS-40 troops come to Afghanistan with both fixed- and rotary-wing experience.

The squadron's aviation ordnance Marines assemble munitions, maintain equipment necessary to utilize the munitions, and track distribution and use.



### Fox Company wraps up training Down Under

**ROBERTSON BARRACKS, DARWIN, Australia** — Marines and Sailors of Company F, Battalion Landing Team 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit successfully completed bilateral exercise Raider Dawn with a squad competition as the culminating event of the week-long training with the Australian Defence Forces.

The challenging squad competition was an opportunity for the Marines to apply what they had been practicing, as well as develop teamwork and leadership.

The exercise involved U.S. Marines of the 31st MEU partnering with Australian soldiers of the 1st Brigade to share knowledge of their weapons systems, tactics and other military skills.

For the past week Company F has been doing infantry skills training and patrolling exercises, said Capt. John Dalby, company commander, F. Co, BLT 2/7, 31st MEU.

As the Marines trained with Australian soldiers, relationships were built.

The squad competition involved weapons familiarity, moving to different locations, firing on two different ranges, and evacuating a casualty.

Cpl. Jarrod Larosa, whose squad won the final competition, said that the event helps the company get ready for possible upcoming combat deployments.

The 31st MEU provides a forward-deployed, flexible sea-based force capable of conducting amphibious operations, crisis response and limited contingency operations in the Asia-Pacific area.

The 31st MEU is the only continually forward-deployed MEU, and remains the United States force-in-readiness in the Asia-Pacific region.



## Corps Shot

Capt. Caleb D. Eames

**U.S. Marines with Company F, Battalion Landing Team 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit, fire a high-explosive rocket from a shoulder-launched, multipurpose assault weapon during bilateral exercise Raider Dawn.**

# LAUREL BAY SCHOOLS

Adopted by School Board - April 14, 2011

Normal School Hours: 7:55 - 2:30

Normal PreK Hours: AM 7:55 - 10:30 PM: 11:55 - 2:30

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First Day of School for Students
Student Holiday/Teachers Workday/Professional Development
Holiday - No School  
Early Dismissal, 11:30 am
No School / Parent-Teacher's Conference
Early Release - 1:30 pm

**EMPLOYEE WORK SCHEDULE**

180 Day Employees (Aug 15 - Jun 5, No PD Days)	205 Day Employees (Jul 27-Jun 13, All PD Days)
182 Day Employees (Aug 12 - Jun 6, No PD Days)	210 Day Employees (Jul 27-Jun 20, All PD Days)
183 Day Employees (Aug 15 - Jun 5, 3 PD Days)	220 Day Employees (Jul 20-Jun 27, All PD Days)
187 Day Employees (Aug 15 - Jun 5, 7 PD Days)	195 Day Employees (Aug 3-Jun 6, All PD Days)
190 Day Employees (Aug 10 - Jun 6, All PD Days)	200 Day Employees (Aug 3-Jun 13, All PD Days)

**Incident Weather / Make Up Days (If Needed)**

September 21, 2011
October 31, 2011
January 3, 2012
March 12, 2012
April 10, 2012

# 2011/2012 DISTRICT CALENDAR

Domestic Dependent Elementary and Secondary Schools (DDESS)

\*Early Release Day for students is 1:30pm PreK Early Release Hours: AM 7:55-9:55 PM: 11:30-1:30

South Carolina-Fort Stewart-DoDDS Cuba School District

10-12 Aug	Professional Development/No School for Students
12-Aug	Meet the Teacher - Bolden 1-2pm Galer/Elliott 2-3pm
15-Aug	1st Day for Students K-8
15-19 Aug	Kindergarten 8:00-11:30 a.m.
15-26 Aug	PreK Home Visits
22-Aug	Full Day Kindergarten Begins
29-Aug	PreK Begins School
5-Sep	Labor Day Holiday/Federal Holiday - No School
14-Sep	Interim Progress Reports Grades K-8
21-Sep	Professional Development - No School / Math Training
10-Oct	Columbus Day Holiday/Federal Holiday - No School
19-Oct	End of 1st Marking Period (45 days)
21-Oct	Early Dismissal/Report Card Prep/No PreK/ No PSCD
27-Oct	Early Dismissal/Parent-Teacher Conferences/No PreK/ No PSCD
28-Oct	Parent-Teacher Conferences/No School/Report Cards distributed at conferences
31-Oct	Professional Development - No School
11-Nov	Veteran's Day Holiday/Federal Holiday - No School
23 - 25 Nov	Thanksgiving Break - No School
30-Nov	Interim Progress Reports Grades K-8
19-30 Dec	Winter Break for Students - No School
2-Jan	New Year's /Federal Holiday - No School
3-Jan	Professional Development - No School
4-Jan	Students Return to School
16-Jan	M.L. King, Jr. Holiday/Federal Holiday - No School
17-Jan	End of 2nd Marking Period (45 Days)
20-Jan	Early Dismissal/Report Card Prep/No PreK/ No PSCD
25-Jan	Report Cards Issued
16-Feb	Interim Progress Reports Grades K-8
20-Feb	President's Day/Federal Holiday - No School
12-Mar	Professional Development - No School
22-Mar	End of 3rd Marking Period (45 days)
23-Mar	Early Dismissal/Report Card Prep/ No School for PreK/No PSCD
28-Mar	Report Cards Issued
2-9 Apr	Spring Break
10-Apr	Professional Development - No School
3-May	Interim Progress Reports Grades K-8
28-May	Memorial Day/Federal Holiday - No School
4-Jun	Last day of School for PreK students
5-Jun	Early Dismissal/End of 4th Marking Period (45 days)
5-Jun	Last day of School for K-8 Students/No School for PreK/ No PSCD
6-Jun	Professional Development-No School
8-Jun	Report Cards Mailed to Parents



Clockwise from top left: The Laurel Bay school schedule highlights important dates, school hours and schedules varying by different grades; the Laurel Bay Schools curriculum updates and contact numbers; the new uniform policy posters will be posted around the schools.

## CO, officials tie loose ends

Cpl. R.J. Driver  
Staff Writer

School board officials, the principals from all the Laurel Bay schools and the superintendent met with Col. Brian Murtha, Air Station commanding officer, to discuss last-minute matters in preparation for the upcoming school year.

The group covered topics such as school closures, the new curriculum and professional teacher development, which could have the biggest effect of all.

Going into the school year, students and their families can expect a lot of 'new' things - new dress code, new teachers, new principals, new schedules, but most importantly, a new curriculum.

According to the superintendent, Samantha Ingram, the Department of Defense Education Activity, better known as DODEA, adopts a new form of curriculum each

year. This year, they will be implementing a new math, social studies and literature curriculum.

As a result, school schedules were altered to accommodate more professional training for teachers. The first Tuesday of each month, students will be released an hour early, something parents were not too keen on at first.

Ingram expressed it is imperative for the teachers to have this time to better learn the new curriculum because at the end of the day, "they need to be able to provide the best education for our military children."

Once Murtha was up-to-speed on the matter, the next topic was covered - school closures.

Alice Howard, the Air Station's community plans and liaison officer, referred back to last year when a storm hit Beaufort and local schools closed

down, but the fate of Laurel Bay schools was still up-in-the air.

"We didn't know who was going to make that call," Howard explained. "The local schools were closed, and we thought it would be fitting to close base schools as well, but didn't know where to get that answer."

Murtha ended the confusion by clearly stating, "I will make that decision." Ingram followed by affirming, "we are here to serve the command. If the commanding officer says he needs his Marines at work and schools need to be open, schools will be open regardless of whether or not local schools are."

A half hour discussion came to a close with Murtha happily stating, "I'm ready to get school going. I like seeing the happy faces of the children in the mornings."

# BOLDEN

## ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE SCHOOL

SHIRTS - POLO SHIRTS (RED, WHITE OR NAVY)  
TUCKED INTO BOTTOMS

BELTS - REQUIRED

BOTTOMS - NAVY OR KHAKI UNIFORMS

SHOES - SNEAKERS OR LOAFERS

PROPER WEAR

## SCHOOL UNIFORM POLICY

IMPROPER WEAR

APPROVED COLORS ONLY ON ALL APPAREL, INCLUDING UNDERSHIRTS AND HOSIERY

NO HEAD COVERINGS OR UNAPPROVED ACCESSORIES

NO JEANS, NO CARGO POCKETS

NO FORM FITTING AT TIRE

NO RIPS OR TEARS IN CLOTHING

NO BOOTS OR HIGH-TOP SHOES (NO GRAPHIC PATTERNS)  
SHOES PROPERLY FASTENED

# LOOK COOL

# AFTER SCHOOL

# School Hours and Schedules

SY 2011-2012

Kindergarten-8th Grades		
Day	Begins	Ends
Monday	7:55	2:30
Tuesday**	7:55	2:30
Wednesday	7:55	2:30
Thursday	7:55	2:30
Friday	7:55	2:30

PreK & PSCD Students		
Day	A.M.	P.M.
Monday	7:55-10:30	11:55-2:30
Tuesday**	7:55-10:30	11:55-2:30
Wednesday	7:55-10:30	11:55-2:30
Thursday	7:55-10:30	11:55-2:30
Friday	7:55-10:30	11:55-2:30

**\*\*First TUESDAY Schedule—Monthly**

K-8th	PreK-PSCD
7:55-1:30	A.M. 7:55-9:55
	P.M. 11:30-1:30

**Early Release Dates**

= September 6, 2011	= February 7, 2012
= October 4, 2011	= March 6, 2012
= November 1, 2011	= May 1, 2012
= December 6, 2011	

**\*\*Note that FIRST TUESDAYS ONLY are EARLY RELEASE**

## Laurel Bay Schools

Curriculum Updates for the 2011-2012 School Year



**School Hours:**

**Monday—Friday**

7:55 am-2:30 pm

Pre-Kindergarten

7:55 am-10:30 am and 11:55 am-2:30 pm

**\*First Tuesday of Each Month**

7:55 am-1:30 pm

Pre-Kindergarten

7:55-9:55 am and 11:30 am -1:30 pm

**\*Students will be dismissed early the first Tuesday of each month.**

**Breakfast**

7:30 am-7:55 am

**School Information**

**District Superintendent Office**

Dr. Samantha Ingram

Superintendent

912-369-6691

**Elliott Elementary School**

Ms. Parr, Principal

843-846-6982

**Galer Elementary School**

Ms. Kipp Caldwell, Principal

843-846-6100

**Bolden Elementary and**

**Middle School**

Ms. Randle, Principal

843-846-6112

### School Leadership Update

Ms. Kipp Caldwell will be joining the staff at Galer Elementary as Principal this school year. She is coming from Fort Stewart where she served as Principal at Kessler Elementary School for six years.

Mr. Yahres will be retiring from Bolden Elementary and Middle School this year after over 30 years of service with DoDEA. Ms. Wendy Randle is the new principal of Bolden.

**Reading**

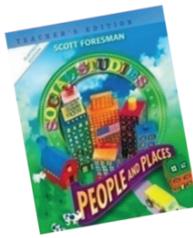
DoDEA will begin to utilize a new reading assessment grades K-3 called *The Benchmark Assessment System*. This is a series of tests that identifies a student's current reading level and progress over time.



**Social Studies**

Full implementation of the PK-6 Social Studies Curriculum Resources and Materials will be in effect during the

2011-2012 school year. In every unit of social studies instruction, reading skills are taught, modeled, and applied. The reading skills strand provides explicit instruction in reading skills and the application of those skills to nonfiction expository writing. By applying those skills, students are prepared to read nonfiction materials, which is a fundamental aspect of successful social studies education.



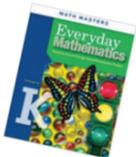
**Mathematics**

Full implementation of the PK-8 Math Curriculum Resources and Materials will be in effect during the 2011-2012 school year.

**PreK-2— Everyday Mathematics**

Everyday Mathematics provides numerous methods for basic skills practice and review.

These include written and oral fact drills, mental math routines, practice with fact families, daily sets of review problems, homework, timed tests, and a wide variety of math games.



**Grades 3-5—enVision Mathematics**

The *enVision Math* program is centered around interactive and visual learning and differentiated instruction to address the specific needs of all student populations.

**Grades 6-8—Math Connects**

Math Connects provides opportunities for students to learn concepts that are taught and practiced within a strong problem solving environment; ensuring that students become life-long problem solvers.



**Advanced**

NCA CASI & SACS CASI are the Accreditation divisions of Advanced.

Elliott Elementary School will host a Pre-Quality Assurance Review Visit (Pre-QAR) during the 2011-2012 SY. This visit will serve to prepare the school for their Advanced Quality Assurance Review Visit (QAR) scheduled during the Spring Semester of 2013.

New Advanced Standards will be published in the Fall of 2011. Schools hosting QAR visits after June 1, 2012 will use the new standards.



**DoDEA Mission and Vision**

The mission of DoDEA is to provide an exemplary education that inspires and prepares all DoDEA students for success in a dynamic, global environment.

One way to ensure that the mission is met is to follow the DoDEA six-year Curriculum Development and Assessment Adoption Cycle. This cycle allows DoDEA schools to continuously assess needs for improvement and to implement curriculum or program changes to meet the goals of the Community Strategic Plan and impact student achievement.

## BAH

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“Hopefully, this change will also raise Marines’ interest in which changes affect them,” said Chief Warrant Officer 4 Gordon Gerber, the Installation Personnel Administration Center director. “Changes like these are important and are something they should want to understand. They should also update IPAC whenever there is a change in their status, such

as divorces or changes in custody of children.”

Basic allowance for housing recipients will continue to receive BAH, unless they are disqualified, for example divorce or a loss of custody over their dependents.

“Marines who move back into the barracks after being separated will continue to receive BAH for 90 days only to prepare for the transition,” said Dave Wilson, the logistics officer for the Air Station. “In situations where they have

household goods that cannot be held within the barracks, we can store them for lower prices.”

The goal of the new MARADMIN is to enforce the current policies regarding BAH. Increasing the presence of noncommissioned officers leadership in the barracks provides greater opportunities for mentorship and assists in building resiliency in Marines.

For more information regarding the current policy on BAH, refer to MCO 7220.56 CH.

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included a monument in honor for their sacrifices.

“The original Montford Point Marines are slowly dissipating, so it is important for new blood to take leadership roles in the organization and keep the legacy alive,” said Elijah Abram, the local supply chief and a former vice president of the MPMA.

The organization does not discriminate against gender or race and is open to all veterans. The majority of MPMA members are enlisted Marines and officers including the original Montford Point Marines, the Corps’ commandant and the Sgt. Maj. of the Marine Corps, Sgt. Maj. Micheal P. Barrett.

According to the Associated Press, Amos said his goal was to cement the



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**A group of Montford Point Marines pose for a photo.**

role of the Montford Point Marines in the Corps’ 235-year history. His efforts are part of a broader goal in diversifying the military’s smallest branch and sharing the legacy of black Marines.

“In recruit training, we never learned anything about black Marines such as Gilbert ‘Hashmark’ Johnson,” said Abram. “There

are so many unheard stories of the things the Mont-

ford Point Marines had to go through such as fighting segregation while serving through World War II.”

Decades later, the Marine Corps has grown, now teaching recruits about black Marines such as Annie E. Gillard and James Anderson Jr.

For more information on the Beaufort chapter, contact Elijah Abram at 228-7676 or visit [www.montfordpointmarines.com](http://www.montfordpointmarines.com)



Photos by Cpl. Justin M. Boling

**Educators from the three Department of Defense schools in Laurel Bay attended the day-long SMART Board class held at the Air Station Structural Fire Department Aug. 8. The class provided teachers with the knowledge necessary to implement the use of the technology in their lesson plan.**

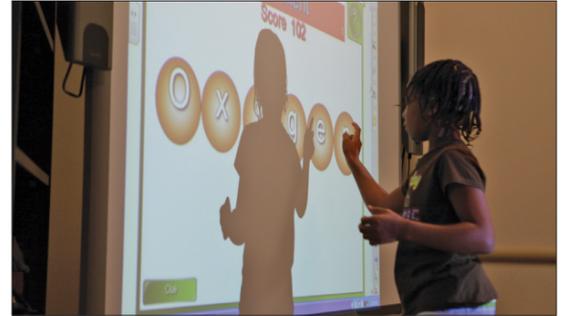
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numerous electronic devices for entertainment and to stay connected, SMART Boards allow students to use the same type of interactive technology in learning.

“I will be using the SMART Board with my kindergarteners and I wanted to make sure that I understood it and could use it to educate them,” said Jodi Wuttke, a Gaylor Elementary kindergarten teacher. “I am very excited to see my students interact and learn using this awesome tool.”

The confidence and knowledge gained can help teachers utilize SMART Boards to allow students to draw experience and interact their way to a better education.



**Caitlin Ulmer, a fourth-grade student, demonstrates the use of a SMART Board to teachers during their day-long class at the Air Station Structural Fire Department Aug. 8.**



## PLAN

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outside of their Military Occupational Specialty.

“It doesn’t start with the career planner, it starts with the noncommissioned officer and staff noncommissioned officer within the chain of command giving the Marine their basic guidance on what the Ma-

rine Corps has to offer,” said Gunnery Sgt. Orion Murray, Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron career planner. “Believe it or not, we are like a one-stop-shop because we educate Marines on the different opportunities that are out there, like special-duty assignments, or opportunities to reenlist or make a lateral movement into another field. That’s why we set up

those interviews at different stages of their career.

“We don’t talk to first-term Marines initially, because they have to develop and discover their idea of the Corps as a whole and then discover the different opportunities out there.”

Marines are riflemen first and foremost, and then there is a need for them to show expertise in their MOS. Career planners con-

sider the areas the Marine is proficient in and provide suggestions for their career progression.

Without knowledge on where they can take their career after reaching the end of their contract, many Marines might only complete one term.

“I think it would be terrible if there were no career planners,” said Sgt. Terry Santiago, the Air

Station flight operations noncommissioned officer in charge. “I can’t count how many good Marines I’ve heard say ‘I’m getting out’ only to have a career planner talk them into staying. They are pivotal to the retention in our force and if they didn’t exist, many Marines might get out after their first enlistment.”

They also schedule necessary tests and interviews

a Marine may need in addition to corresponding with the squadron sergeant major and commanding officer to ensure that retention goals are met.

Career planners are just as important as recruiters or the drill instructors who instill life lessons into recruits. Without who, many would not be here – keeping America’s emergency response force in the fight.