

U.S. ARMY TRAINING CENTER ★ FORT JACKSON

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DEFEND

U.S. ARMY BASIC COMBAT TRAINING GRADUATION



4TH BATTALION, 39TH INFANTRY REGIMENT
27 MARCH 2025
HILTON FIELD
FORT JACKSON, SOUTH CAROLINA

FORGING AMERICA'S ARMY

Since 1917 Fort Jackson has carried out its sacred responsibility of "Forging America's Army" by transforming civilians into Soldiers. These Soldiers are the lifeblood of the readiness of the United States Army and its mission to fight and win our Nation's wars.

Fort Jackson is the "Premiere Training Post in the U.S. Army" training the majority of all Soldiers entering the Army to include almost two thirds of the women. Graduations from Basic Combat Training occur approximately 46 weeks of the year and generate over 40,000 new Soldiers prepared for advanced individual training in their respective military specialties. After completing their initial entry training comprising of both Basic Combat Training and advanced individual training these Soldiers are ready for their first unit of assignment.

The Basic Combat Training mission at the U.S. Army Training Center, Fort Jackson is conducted by 56 companies organized in 11 battalions and two brigades. They are all supported by a garrison command, logistics readiness center, medical clinic and other agencies who deliver excellence.

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ARMY LEADERSHIP



165th INFANTRY BRIGADE



ARMY MOTTO: “THIS WE’LL DEFEND”

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:
HONORABLE DANIEL P. DRISCOLL

CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ARMY:
GENERAL RANDY A. GEORGE

SERGEANT MAJOR OF THE ARMY:
SERGEANT MAJOR OF THE ARMY MICHAEL R. WEIMER

TRAINING AND DOCTRINE COMMAND

COMMANDING GENERAL
GENERAL GARY M. BRITO

COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR
COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR RAYMOND S. HARRIS

CENTER FOR INITIAL MILITARY TRAINING

COMMANDING GENERAL
LIEUTENANT GENERAL DAVID J. FRANCIS

COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR
COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR MICHAEL J. MCMURDY

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COMMANDING GENERAL
MAJOR GENERAL DARYL O. HOOD

COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR
COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR ERICK E. OCHS

BRIGADE COMMANDER:
COL DAVID A. UTHLAUT

BRIGADE COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR:
CSM JOHN A. BLYLER

4TH BATTALION, 39TH INFANTRY

BATTALION COMMANDER:
LTC JONATHAN S. BAKER

BATTALION CSM:
CSM MICHAEL A. REYNA

COMMANDER OF TROOPS:
MAJ COREY L. BANKS
BATTALION EXECUTIVE OFFICER

BATTALION CHAPLAIN:
CPT MUSTAPHA RAHOUCHE

A COMPANY:
COMMANDER— 1LT GUNNAR E. INGRAM
FIRST SERGEANT— 1SG MICHAEL A. DEPALO

C COMPANY:
COMMANDER— 1LT KRISTIAN E. SWINEY
FIRST SERGEANT— 1SG BRANDON S. MAAS

B COMPANY:
COMMANDER— CPT MIKE R. ANDRE
FIRST SERGEANT— 1SG KYLE H. DORSEY

D COMPANY:
COMMANDER — CPT DONOVAN L. SWAIN
FIRST SERGEANT— 1SG TAMBOUZI A. GREEN

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AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE

Drill Sergeant Of The Cycle

A CO	SSG DRAPER, THOMAS	PATH HARVEST, AL
B CO	SSG PERKINS, DUSTIN	ALPHENA, MI
C CO	SFC HYLANDER, JOHN	KANSAS CITY, MO
D CO	SGT BOALS, KYLE	COLUMBUS, OH



AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE

Soldier Of The Cycle

A CO	SPC HENDRICKSON, KRYSTEL	RYE, CO
B CO	PFC FOLKS, BENJAMIN	WICHITA, KS
C CO	PVT VAUGHN, CYRUS	BELAIR, MD
D CO	SPC DIXON, TERRANCE	ORLANDO, FL

Soldier Leader Of The Cycle

A CO	SPC ADAMS, MATTHEW	CHEVY CHASE, MD
B CO	PVT PACKWOOD, MASON	KELLER, TX
C CO	PFC SHAH, FARIAH	WALNUT CREEK, CA
D CO	SPC AGRINZONI, AURIA	OWENS CROSS ROADS, AL

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BASIC COMBAT TRAINING

Basic Combat Training transforms volunteer civilians into Soldiers, always Soldiers – Soldiers for life! They are ready for close combat, exhibit a high esprit de corps, and display the confident military bearing that is the hallmark of the American Soldier.

This transformation occurs over 10 weeks of tough, realistic training intended to build Soldiers who are disciplined, physically and mentally tough, and proficient at essential Soldier tasks. These tasks trained to the Army standard include marksmanship, hand grenade employment, individual and buddy team movement techniques, medical and communication skills, and chemical, biological and nuclear survival. Upon graduation Soldiers are ready to effectively operate and contribute as a member of a team.

Basic Combat Training is organized into three phases: Red, White and Blue with each culminating in a realistic tactical field training exercise. They are the HAMMER, ANVIL and “THE FORGE”.

Soldiers are introduced to the Army’s distinguished heritage and traditions as well as the customs and courtesies of military service. Inspections, drill and ceremonies, to include today’s graduation, effectively instill discipline, attention to detail and teamwork.

In Basic Combat Training the Army first introduces, then strengthens, and finally internalizes the character, competence and commitment essential to service in the Army’s profession of arms.

The guarantee of success are the world’s best trainers, the U.S. Army Drill Sergeants. Specially selected, dedicated Non-commissioned Officers from the operating force who model excellence and whose best credential is your Soldier.

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“THE FORGE”

To earn the right to be called a “Soldier”, trainees must successfully complete “THE FORGE” which is a culminating tough, realistic and demanding tactical field exercise designed to challenge their skill proficiency, physical endurance, mental resiliency and ability to contribute to the Army team. Trainees are forced to rely on their training, their teammates, and their equipment.

Entering “THE FORGE” is a privilege that must be earned by achieving the Army standard on all Soldier tasks to include physical fitness and discipline.

“THE FORGE” name is a historical reflection of the Army’s experience during the American Revolutionary War at its first basic combat training at VALLEY FORGE in the winter of 1777. General George Washington trained the Continental Army, the Army’s first professional force in tough, austere conditions through the means of inspired leadership, standards and drill. We know that the highest quality steel comes from the hottest fires, shaped and molded by hammer and anvil...“THE FORGE”.

During “THE FORGE” trainees foot march approximately 45 miles in 81 hours with training missions conducted mostly at night and under heavy load. They sleep for 5 hours on the ground during the day and awake to either intense medical first responder drills, pugil stick bouts or hand to hand fighting matches. It is an extraordinary gut check and a test of will, individual and team. Your Soldier made it through even though dirty, hungry, and exhausted and earned the right!

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BATTALION LINEAGE



The 39th Infantry Regiment was organized at Camp Syracuse, New York on 1 June 1917 by transfer of veteran troops from the 30th Infantry Regiment. In December 1918, the 39th Infantry Regiment was assigned to the 4th Infantry Division and in the spring of 1918, sailed for France as part of the American Expeditionary Force in World War I and joined the battle for the first time during World War I in the now famous “Aisne-Marne Offensive”. When the smoke of World War I cleared away, the 39th Infantry Regiment’s colors showed battled honors for the campaigns of the Aisne-Marne, Meuse-Argonne, Lorraine, St Mihiel and Champagne, a Distinguished Unit Citation from the French government and the French Croix de Guerre with Gold Star. The Regiment returned home in 1919 and was deactivated in 1921.

The 39th Infantry Regiment was relieved from assignment to the 4th Division on 15 August 1927 and assigned to the 7th Division. Additional reassignments would occur on 1 October 1933 back to the 4th Division and again on 1 August 1940 to the 9th Division which the Regiment fought under in World War II. The 39th Infantry Regiment would subsequently participate in a myriad of key engagements to include storming the beach of Algiers, the battle of Troina, securing Utah Beach, and culminating in the Battle of Bulge, aiding the capture of the Remagen bridgehead.

After a series of inactivation's and activations spanning a 20-year period, 39th Infantry Regiment was reactivated on 1 February 1966 as part of the 9th Infantry Division at Fort Riley, Kansas. 4th Battalion, 39 Infantry Regiment deployed in 1966 with the 9th Infantry Division to the Republic of Vietnam participating in operation Palm Tree, the 1968 Tet Offensive, and the battle of the Plain of Reeds becoming immortalized as the “Hardcore Battalion”. The 39th Infantry Regiment was inactivated 25 September 1969 at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, and relieved from assignment to the 9th Infantry Division.

The 39th Infantry Regiment was transferred 3 April 1987 to the United States Army Training and Doctrine Command and activated at Fort Dix, New Jersey. The 39th Infantry Regiment departed Fort Dix, New Jersey for Fort Jackson, South Carolina, arriving on 22 August 1990 where the 4th Battalion was subsequently activated 1 October 2017.

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U.S. ARMY HERITAGE



The United States Army is America’s oldest military service and draws its lineage and heritage from the Continental Army. The United States Army is the only army in the world that defends an idea, not the mother or fatherland, not a dictator, monarch or other potentate, but an idea where the people are sovereign. This idea embodied in the Constitution of the United States is what we support and defend.

The storied history and faithful service of the Army began on 14 June 1775, when the Second Continental Congress recognized the need to provide for the common defense of all the colonies and authorized the raising of 10 companies while also adopting established militia forces in Massachusetts and New York. From this time forward the history of our nation is inextricably linked to that of our Army.

Our Army has been and remains a faithful servant that won our independence, fought to keep our nation whole, secured America’s interests and freedom for many around the world, helped win the cold war and remains ready today to answer the call and when necessary to fight and win our nation’s wars.

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SOLDIER'S CREED

I am an American Soldier.

I am a Warrior and a member of a team.

I serve the people of the United States, and live the Army Values.

I will always place the mission first.

I will never accept defeat.

I will never quit.

I will never leave a fallen comrade.

I am disciplined, physically and mentally tough, trained and proficient in my warrior tasks and drills.

I always maintain my arms, my equipment and myself.

I am an expert and I am a professional.

I stand ready to deploy, engage, and destroy the enemies of the United States of America, in close combat.

I am a guardian of freedom and the American way of life.

I am an American Soldier!

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ARMY SONG

“The Army Goes Rolling Along”

Intro:

March along, sing our song, with the Army of the free
Count the brave, count the true, who have fought to victory

We're the Army and proud of our name

We're the Army and proudly proclaim

Verse:

First to fight for the right,
And to build the Nation's might,
And The Army Goes Rolling Along
Proud of all we have done,
Fighting till the battle's won,
And the Army Goes Rolling Along.

Refrain:

Then it's Hi! Hi! Hey!
The Army's on its way.
Count off the cadence loud and strong (TWO! THREE!)
For where e'er we go,
You will always know
That The Army Goes Rolling Along.

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SOLDIER REFERRAL PROGRAM

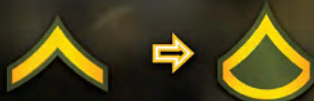


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THE ARMY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

TELL YOUR ARMY STORY AND EARN A PROMOTION/PROMOTION POINTS AND THE ARMY RECRUITING RIBBON!



Refer a friend.
If they enlist,
you may
qualify for
advanced
promotion.



TO MAKE A REFERRAL:

- Submit the referral's information through mobile submission: (1) Scan the referral QR code or (2) text RFRL to GOARMY (462769)
- Qualified applicant provides necessary contact information. Soldier then adds his/her DoD ID number, first and last name.
- A referral must willingly provide his/her own information.



- ★ A valid referral is someone who enlists and ships to Basic Combat Training (BCT).
- ★ Soldiers **E-1 to E-10** can earn the Army Recruiting Ribbon when their referral ships to Basic Training.
- ★ Soldiers **E-1 to E-3** can get promoted to the next rank in 60 days, when your referral ships to Basic Training.
- ★ Soldiers **E-4 and E-5** can earn 10 promotion points towards the next rank.

For any questions you may have contact:

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