



# Summer 2025 Recruit Training Information

## ***The Young Marine Mission***

The Mission of the Young Marines is to positively impact America's future by providing quality youth development programs for boys and girls that nurtures and develops its members into responsible citizens who enjoy and promote a healthy, drug-free lifestyle.

**Our core values are Teamwork | Leadership | Discipline**

## ***Who Are the Young Marines For***

The Young Marines is for boys and girls, ages 8-18 or the completion of high school. Great for kids that have a passion to learn, serve, develop skills and become leaders.

## ***Recruit Training***

The 26+ hour recruit program are spread over several drills. Youth will learn general subjects such as history, customs & courtesies, close order drill, physical fitness, military rank structure and more. *Drills are mandatory.*

## ***Cost to Register***

Total cost for one year is \$200.00 per recruit. This can be broken up into a \$60 payment at the time of Poolee Days/Orientation and A \$140 payment one month prior to graduation. The

yearly re-registration cost is \$60 (*subject to change*). Please note the cost to join in 2026 will be increasing.

### ***What it Includes***

*Received when a Recruit:* National fee (1<sup>st</sup> year), Cover, Recruit Guidebook.

*Received when a Young Marine (after graduation):* Basic Guidebook, Young Marine Uniform (blouse, trousers, boots, boot bands, belt), ribbons/ribbon rack (as earned), chevrons (as earned), National shirt and Unit shirts (2).

### ***What They Need***

Recruits will need to purchase the PT Uniform (plain white t-shirt with their last name and first name initial on the front-this can be done in Sharpie, black athletic shorts and athletic shoes. They will also need to purchase the Recruit Uniform (plain red t-shirt, blue jeans-no holes, rips, stains, bleaching, sagging or embellishments, belt and athletic shoes). *During cold weather, Recruits & Young Marines wear a heather grey crewneck sweatshirt and heather grey sweatpants.*

Recruits will need to purchase several supplies- [this binder](#) (or something similar in black), a spiral notebook or notebook paper, a pen or pencil, [3-liter hydration pack](#). *Please note that we do have a master gear list that includes other items that Recruits and Young Marines will need for hiking and camping trips.*

Recruits will need to start their mornings off, before drill, by eating a healthy breakfast and making sure to pack their own lunch (if they did not the night before). They should always be staying hydrated in between drills by drinking plenty of water.

### ***Calendar***

August 9<sup>th</sup> | Drill 1 @ 8AM-3PM at the American Legion\*AL (6628 66<sup>th</sup> St., Lubbock)

August 23<sup>rd</sup> | Drill 2 @ 8AM-3PM at the AL

September 6<sup>th</sup> | Drill 3 @ 8AM-3PM at the AL

September 20<sup>th</sup> | Drill 4 @ 8AM-3PM at the AL

October 4<sup>th</sup> | Drill 5 + Fire Station Tour @ 8AM-3PM at the AL

October 18<sup>th</sup> | Drill 6 @ 8AM-3PM at the AL

November 1<sup>st</sup> | Drill 7 + Basic First Aid Guest @ 8AM-3PM at the AL

November 8<sup>th</sup> | Veterans Day Parade @ TBA

November 22<sup>nd</sup> | Drill 8 @ 8AM-3PM at the AL

December 6<sup>th</sup> | Drill 9 @ 8AM-3PM at the AL

December 13<sup>th</sup> | Wreaths Across America @ TBA

December 20<sup>th</sup> | Recruit Graduation @ TBA

December 21<sup>st</sup> | End of Year Party/Banquet @ TBA

### ***For More Information***

Please view our [Summer 2025 Poolee & Recruit Timeline](#) document. This document features a timeline of events from our Open House on May 31<sup>st</sup> to the end of Recruit Training. To learn more about our Poolee Program, click [here](#).

You may also contact us by email at **southplains@youngmarines.org** or by text at **806-375-3580**.