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Mr. Rod Keller
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Dear Mr. Keller,

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to participate in the Marine Corps Officer Educators' Workshop aboard Marine Corps Base, Quantico, Virginia from 11 July to 15 July 2011.

Marine Corps Base, Quantico, the "Crossroads of the Corps," is the home of the Marine Corps' education, training and combat development commands and the premier leadership potential testing ground -- Officer Candidates School.

The purpose of this workshop is to provide you with an opportunity to see firsthand how highly-qualified college students are recruited, screened and developed into Marine Officers. You will depart Quantico having received an informational experience that can only be obtained on site.

During this workshop, you will be exposed to the Officer Candidates School process; witnessing the training and evaluation from day one until graduation. Then, we will follow up with a visit to The Basic School, where you will observe training evolutions conducted by newly-commissioned second lieutenants. All Marine lieutenants are required to attend The Basic School and are trained to serve as provisional infantry platoon commanders. The workshop schedule will also include an introduction to the Marine Corps University. The Marine Corps University is responsible for the professional military education of the Corps' enlisted Marines and officers; to include graduate-level educational opportunities for field grade officers. Away from training, you will attend a Sunset Parade at the Marine Corps War Memorial in Arlington, Virginia, which features the precision performance of the Silent Drill Platoon and Drum and Bugle Corps. Then, the workshop will conclude with a tour of the National Museum of the Marine Corps, which provides the public with a readily accessible platform for the exploration of Marine Corps history.

Transportation, hotel accommodations, and travel expenses will be provided. For additional information please contact your local Officer Selection Officer or my Public Affairs Marines at (703)784-9454 or e-mail at mcr CPA@marines.usmc.mil. We have highlighted a few of the workshop's events and are confident this will be an insightful and memorable event as you personally witness the experiences of Marine Corps officer training with our nation's newest leaders of Marines. I hope you are able to take advantage of this unique opportunity and we look forward to you joining us for this year's Educators' Workshop.

Sincerely,

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Commanding General, Marine Corps Recruiting Command