

YCSD Alumni Spotlight

Patrick Garner
Grafton High School
Class of 2016

PROFILE



Patrick graduated from Grafton High School in 2016. During his years of high school, he participated in coursework for a diploma including English, Algebra, Geometry, History, Science, Economics and Personal Finance, NJROTC and Academic Lab. Patrick feels that he benefited most from his NJROTC courses, which prepared him to enter the military. Patrick also remembers Mr. Herndon, a past math teacher and military veteran, who he feels was instrumental not only in his success in math, but also in his quest to join the military.

Patrick enlisted in the US Marine Corp in 2016. He is trained as a Data Systems Specialist and is currently serving as a non-commissioned officer with the rank of a Sergeant. Patrick has been stationed at Cherry Point, North Carolina (from 2017-2020) and is now currently stationed in Okinawa, Japan. He works at the Group Headquarters, troubleshooting hardware and software problems for the base. He has earned a certificate in Security +, and is also CBURN certified. He has been recognized for his meritorious service and dedication to fulfilling his duties.

Patrick is currently earning his bachelor's degree at the University of Maryland, Global Campus. He is projected to earn his degree by 2023, at which time, he may decide to transition back into the civilian world.