

Play is a Serious Business

Maggie Lancaster has been playing in some fashion with youngsters since she was just one herself. A life-long Michigander, graduated from Alma College where she played two sports, held two jobs, double majored and double minor. Following college, she started teaching and coaching at Jenison High School and coaching at Grand Rapids Community College - the time spent coaching in the city reinforced her love for Grand Rapids itself.

After starting her own family, Maggie's involvement at the Grand Rapids Children's Museum began in earnest. Prior to accepting the CEO position in June of 2016, she spent 14 years volunteering on committees, hosting and chairing events, and joined the boards at the Grand Rapids Public Museum, and was a two-term president of the Grand Rapids Children's Museum. While playing there was fun, she also ventured to Make-A-Wish, Helen DeVos Children's Hospital, Family Futures, CASA and Thornapple Valley Baseball League - where she learned to play well with others.

She is married to Scott, mother to Aidan and Grant, servant to several cat rescues, Godmother to Lily (English Golden Retriever). She enjoys all sports, hunting, fishing, long walks and spending time with family and friends.