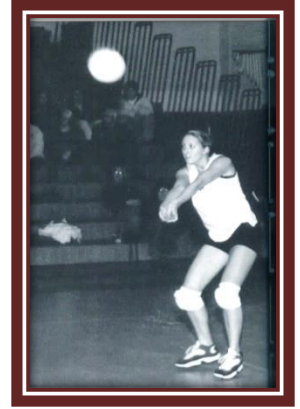


Maggie McDearmon

Maggie McDearmon considers it a benefit to have grown up with a twin brother. They would often participate in many of the same sports, meaning she ended up on lots of teams as the only girl. She developed high expectations of herself and learned to be committed even through adversity. In the early-mid 90s she played many sports, soccer, basketball, T-Ball, and swimming. It wasn't until sixth grade at Amherst Middle School that she ever played volleyball. She is grateful that Coach Goodin didn't cut anyone that year because she feels she would have been an obvious cut player. She continued to play in middle school, working tirelessly to perfect her skills.



It was Amherst County High School where she became a dominate middle hitter on the volleyball team. After playing one year on the JV team, she made the varsity team and controlled the court. As a sophomore, she was named on the Second Team All-District. Her junior and senior year, her individual awards became endless. In 2000-01 and 2001-02, propelled the ACHS team to the Seminole District Champions, Region III Champions, and competed in the VHSL Final Four State Tournament. Maggie also played basketball, (2years), and tennis (3 years), In 2002, she was Team Captain on the tennis team. She and partner Molly Sutherland were Seminole District Women's Doubles Champions. The highlights of her high school career was being acknowledged as a Wendy's High School Heisman State Finalist (students recognized for excellence in athletics, academics, and citizenship) and playing with great teammates who were strong volleyball players and contributed largely to the success of the team.

Maggie's superior play at ACHS awarded her the opportunity to play volleyball at Randolph-Macon College (Ashland, VA). As a dominate outside hitter. she lead the team to many "first in program history", including: most wins in a season, best record, farthest in ODAC tournament – with three straight finals appearances in 2004, 2005, and 2006, and First Regional Ranking (Dill South Region). The R-MC volleyball program continues to grow and has seen numerous trips to the Regional and National tournament in Dill, with a Final Four appearance in 2015. Maggie remains an active member of the alumni, and her former teammates continue to be some of her closest friends.

She attributes her success to her parents (Nancy and Mac), who encouraged her to experience different sports until she found what she enjoyed the most. They never pressured her to perform well or be the best, only unwavering support. Her coaches were consistent and supportive during her growth as a volleyball player: David Caldwell in high school, Vicki Crawford in club volleyball, and Charlie Goodin in middle school, also Coach, Bill Rogers and her excellent assistant coaches in college.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- Second Team All-District 1999-2000
- First Team All-Region: 2000-01
- First Team All-State: 2000-01 – 2001-02
- Region III Player of the Year: 200-01 – 200--02
- First Team All-District: 200-/01 – 2001-02
- News & Advance All-Area Player of the Year: 2000-01 – 2001-02
- News & Advance First Team All-Area: 2000-01 – 2001-02
- Seminole District Player of the Year: 2000-01 – 2001-02
- VHSL Volleyball State All-Star Game: 2002