

Ed Foster, MBA, A.A.E, IACE

Biographical Sketch

Ed is the Executive Director at Lancaster Airport, Lancaster, PA. Ed has a diverse background that includes nearly 28 years in airport management, college professor and retired Army Sergeant Major.

Previously, Ed served as airport associate director for University Park Airport for 16 years and, he served as aviation senior professor and satellite campus business manager for Flint River Technical College, and airport manager/director for Thomaston-Upson County Airport.

Ed served 30 years in the United States Army. His military career started as an elite member of the U.S. Army Drill Team and a Presidential Guard at The Old Guard in Washington, D.C. The Old Guard serves as the official escort to the president. Ed also served as a crewmember for AH 64 Apache's and UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters with three overseas tours. He retired at the rank of sergeant major.

Ed earned his MBA from the American InterContinental University and his BS in Aeronautics from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. Further credentials include an airframe and powerplant license from the FAA, distinction as an accredited airport executives with the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE) and is an International Aerodrome Certified Employee and a graduate of the Executive & Leadership Coaching Program from Penn State University.

In terms of industry involvement, Ed is a past president of the Northeast Chapter of the American Association of Airport Executives where he also served on the board of directors. He also served on the National Board of Directors and currently serving on the International Board of Directors for the AAAE. In 2022 Ed was the recipient of the "Airport Executive of the Year Award".

Ed also has three adult sons, Austin, Zack & Chance and has a wife, Sonya.