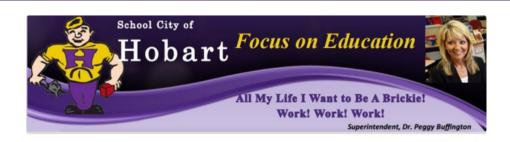




Focus on Education

January 2022





Goal Setting Tips For Our Brickies

Goal Setting Tips For Our Brickies!

Here are some tips that can help students set effective goals:

Accessibility

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Peggy Buffington

Peggy is using Smore newsletters to spread the word online.

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"Find help" is too general. "I will find 5 resources that will help me before the end of the month" is better

3. Share your goals with someone who cares if you reach them.

Sharing your intentions with your parents, your best friend, or your teacher will help ensure success.

4. Write down your goals and put them where you will see them.

The more often you read your list, the more results you get.

5. Review and revise your list.

Experiment with different ways of stating your goals. Goal setting improves with practice!



S.M.A.R.T. Goals!

Help your child succeed by setting S.M.A.R.T. Goals!

You can work with your students by helping them set specific, measurable, achieveable, results-focused, and time-bound (S.M.A.R.T.) Goals!

Our students can login into Google and access these forms. You can do this together and have them submit to their teacher. Monitor progress together!

Check out <u>our website</u> for the Google Doc and more information!
Use our <u>Google Goal Setting Form</u> to Get Started in 2022! #BrickieUP



'Gabby's Gifts' Gives Back In A BIG Way!

Gabriela Mazzula is an 11-year-old Hobart Middle School Brickie who started her charity company, 'Gabby's Gifts' about 3 years ago. She creates crafts and wreaths to sell throughout the year at different functions, events, and through her Facebook page, Gabby's Gifts!



more and more, then used the monies to buy necessities and toys to gift to others. This year, she raised an astounding \$20,000!!

Grab the tissues, because this is where it hits the heart. Gabby is our present-day Santa Claus! She humbly went shopping with her mom and grandfather where they bought carts full of toys, backpacks, dolls, action figures, slippers, small appliances, clothing, and gift cards. She then went to St. Jude's and delivered bags full to those that she will never meet, but that she knows will be ever so thankful for her donation. Gabby also donated bags full to Brother's Keeper, and the Ronald McDonald House! Gabby has single-handedly given a memorable holiday to hundreds of families and we could not be more proud to call her a Brickie. Thank you for ALL that you continually do, Gabby, and way to #BeExcellentOnPurpose!

Read the article about her below, visit her Facebook Page, Gabby's Gifts, and purchase her amazing work knowing that your happy purchase will pay it forward to those who need it.



11-year-old sells ...

www.nwitimes.com













HHS Theatre Department Is Advancing To State!

From Mrs. Nelson:

It is with IMMENSE pleasure that I announce Hobart High Theatre Department will be advancing to the state competition in Marian Indiana in January. Hobart hosted the regional competition and missed first place by only 1 point! Third place was 8 points behind.

HHS performed a cutting of the play "The Laramie Project" which was written after the tragic beating and death of Matthew Shepherd in Laramie, Wyoming. The play was based on the interviews and events that occurred in the year and a half following this tragedy. Beautifully written and incredibly powerful, the play tells the story of the twenty-one-year-old University of Wyoming student who was kidnapped, severely beaten, and left tied to a fence in the middle of the prairie outside the town of Laramie. The play explores the depths to which humanity can sink and the heights of compassion of which we are capable.

We had the honor of hosting the regional competition on Saturday. This project was directed by Theresa Dietrich and Linny Foerg, and I cannot be prouder of the end result. While I organized and prepared for hosting this event, Theresa and Linny prepared the kids to perform. I chose not to watch rehearsals and waited to see the production during this competition. I have had many wonderful moments as director, but what I experienced today, as an audience member was profound. I was moved to tears at the beautiful piece of art that was put to life on our stage.

Now we prepare for state competition in January, with the possibility of competing at the International Thespian competition which will be held at IU in Bloomington this summer. Please help congratulate all involved.

Cast and Crew include:

Ian Rodriguez, Walter Todd, Kayla Walker, Nathaniel Resendiz, Sam Henson, Olivia (Casey) Garcia, Morgan Sanchez, Brennis Carrillo, Kameron Crane, and Jamie Landrum

Directors: Theresa Dietrich and Linny Foerg



Lights: Sydney Belk

Sound: Oliver M. Garcia and Rhiannon Borowski

Other theatre members that helped with the event: Alison Hughes, Katelyn Dabrowa, Annabella, Mariah Huerrera, and Charles Ganske

Congratulations! We are so proud of all of you!









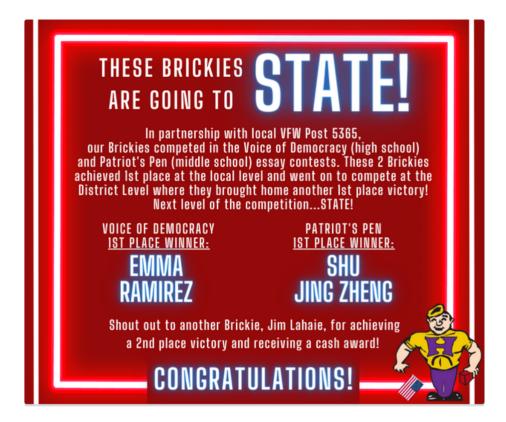
Their Essays Are Going Far!

Each year our Brickies have an opportunity to compete in the National Voice of Democracy and Patriot's Pen Essay contests and this year is no exception! We had dozens of students write amazing essays based on this year's theme. The High School's Voice of Democracy theme was "America: Where do we go from here?" while the Patriot's Pen's focus was "How Can I Be A Good American?" From here they were submitted to our local VFW Post 5365 who listened and read all of the essays and painfully had to select the top 3 - it was tough!

Our winners had the privilege of reading or playing their essays at our Veterans Day programs and were each honored to be chosen to do so. Our top winner's essays continued on to advance to the District level where our very own high school student, Emma Ramirez, and middle school student, Shu King Zheng took the top place again, and are advancing to the State level! The 2nd place for the District went to another Brickie, Jim Lahaie, who proudly walked away with a cash prize.



To read or hear our student's essays, visit our web page at www.hobart.k12.in.us/Veteran



We The People Competition Gets Fierce!

The excitement, nervousness, and eagerness to compete was all over the room when our Brickies were gearing up for the STATE 'We The People' competition where they competed against 14 other middle school districts. After a good night's rest and an extra early morning down in Indianapolis, our students and their teacher, Mrs. Hairston, made their way to the competition and awaited their turn.

At the competition, students held a simulated congressional hearing where they 'testify' before a panel of judges. Here they demonstrate their understanding of constitutional principles and have opportunities to evaluate, take, and defend positions on relevant historical and contemporary issues. They did amazing! Each spoke with poise, knowledge, and confidence in each point they spoke about. Teacher, Mrs. Hairston, and Principal, Mrs. Neeley, happily watched from the sidelines as they represented the Brickies with pride.

After two rounds, the results were in. As everyone listened to the host and the guest speaker, their anticipation grew. Finally, it was time, 'for Unit 6 Highest Score - Hobart Middle School!" They did it! They were the highest score for the Unit 6 panel. While they may not have brought home the championship trophy, they have improved greatly and did a fantastic job!

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Congratulations, to **Emma,** on being selected as a Lilly Scholarship recipient!

The scholarship covers 4 years of undergraduate tuition, plus a yearly book stipend, for any public or private Indiana college or university.

Snapper, Luke, Is Awarded A Patrick Mannelly Award!



Early this year, one of our football coaches nominated Luke for the Patrick Mannelly 65 Honor Roll award. This award is presented to high school athletes across the Chicagoland area who exemplify excellence, integrity, effectiveness, teamwork, and balance. Luke is a true example of all of these and was presented with this award! He was then recognized at an awards ceremony where he met Patrick Mannelly himself along with Lance Briggs, Frank Thomas, and Dave Kaplan!

Congratulations on this achievement, Luke, and keep working hard and focusing on your goals! "All my life, I want to be a Brickie! Work! Work! Work!"

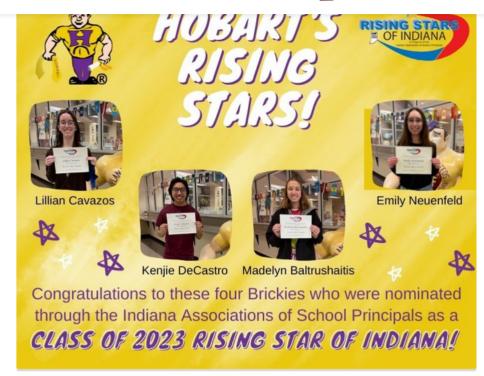












Our Early Learning Center Is All About Giving!

December was a month of giving! Our ELC families donated to food and toy drives and you all BLEW us away with your generosity!

The Food Drive was a huge success! The Helping Hands Club at The ELC is making HUGE impacts across the community this holiday season! They conducted a food drive for the local pantry to help those in need during the holidays and cold winter months - look at all the items they brought in! We thank you for your food donations!

Their toy drive was also a huge success! Mrs. Helminski headed up the toy drive and has a special message to everyone who contributed.

"WOW! I am overwhelmed by the generosity of the ELC families. Hobart Tri Kappa and I thank you immensely for the AMAZING toy donations. This toy contribution will help bring lots of smiles on Christmas morning for approximately 500 Hobart children."

~ Mrs. Helminski

You all are amazing and we are so proud of all you did this past holiday season to help those around you! Keep it up and way to #BeExcellentOnPurpose!







Junior Achievement Program with our JROTC!

The Junior Achievement Program is an exercise that has proven to be one of the most valuable of the year for our cadets. While our students are not professional teachers, they take the preparation very seriously. Junior Achievement (JA) has 104 local JA Areas across the nation, and together they are the nation's largest organization dedicated to giving young people the knowledge and skills they need to own their economic success, plan for their futures, and make smart academic and economic choices. JA's programs—in the core content areas of work readiness, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy—ignite the spark in young people to experience and realize the opportunities and realities of work and life in the 21st century.

Here are some numbers to put it into perspective... Over 3 days,

In 5 different grade levels,

25 lessons were taught

in 56 different classrooms



Each of our students worked diligently and professionally to prepare for and teach the lessons. They not only taught the students in each of the classes some very valuable information, but learned so much themselves. The insights from teachers, administrators, and the students themselves helped everyone grow and better themselves for what the future can hold. Great job to all of the JROTC for their hard work, dedication, teamwork, and impressive teaching!









Hobart High School Presents:

21-22 Local



Scholarship Book!

The 2021-2022 Local
Scholarship Book is now
available to Hobart High School
seniors! Please review
carefully as some scholarships
have changed. The application
MUST be filled out using the
Google Form Link below. When
finished, it will send you a copy
of your submissions, as well as
one to me. I recommend
emailing me (Mrs. Adams)
when you submit your Local
Scholarship Book to make sure
I received it.

SUBMIT THROUGH GOOGLE

All supplemental documents should be submitted through the Google form, if possible. The only required submission is an essay on page 13. If you cannot upload your documents into the Google form, you should email all documents to dadams@hobart.kl2.in.us. I highly recommend working on this as you can, but you will need parent/guardian input for one of the final pages, so please allow plenty of time for your pentryguardian to assist you.

This form should be filled out by the student using the student's GA account.

Any questions should be directed to Danielle Adams or your school counselor.

ALL SENIORS CAN APPLY!

All seniors are eligible to apply! Students can only win one scholarship from the book, with the exception of the Lauren Romeo Golden Athlete Memorial Scholarship, which can be awarded in addition to other scholarships.. After a student is chosen, their name is removed from all other scholarships in this book. The deadline to turn the HHS Local Scholarship Book in is Monday, January 31st by 8 p.m.

WWW.HOBART.K12.IN.US/SCHOLARSHIPBOOK

http://www.hobart...

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Legacy Foundation Scholarship Information Booklet

Click here for access to the 2021-2022 Scholarship Information Booklet for detailed information for all available scholarships!



Start Earning Money With The Scholarship Newsletter

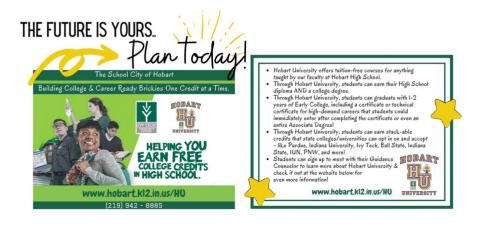




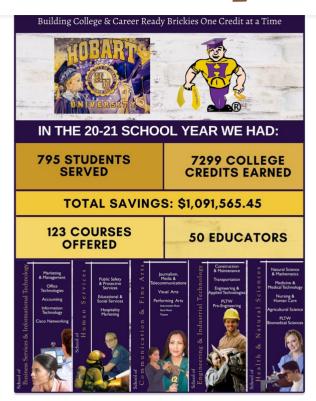


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NEW assessment designed to measure your child's Academic Standards.

Check out these resources to help them prepare!

Upcoming State Test Schedule And Resources

Clicking this link will take you to our web page where you can find what tests your student will be taking, the dates they will take them, and helpful information to prepare them in the best way!

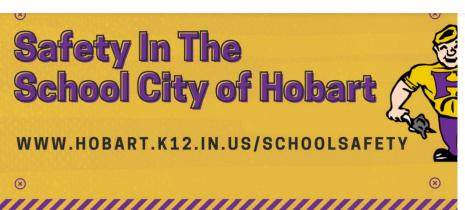
CLICK THE BUTTONS
BELOW TO LEARN
MORE ABOUT EACH
TEST AND HOW YOU
CAN HELP YOUR
STUDENT PREPARE.













BRICKIE PARENT NEWSLETTER

From our School City of Hobart School Resource Officers

This edition is all about social media and some of the dangers that are out there for our Brickies. It has great resources for parents and will help educate you about many apps that are currently being used by children as young as preschool age all the way up through seniors.

Take a moment and check it out!

www.hobart.k12.in.us/SRONewsletter

Join the Battle to End Vaping

"This is Quitting" is a free and anonymous text messaging program from Truth Initiative designed to help young people quit vaping. The first-of-its-kind quit program incorporates messages from other young people like them who have attempted to, or successfully quit, e-cigarettes. Our messages show the real side of quitting, both the good and the bad, to help young people feel motivated, inspired, and supported throughout their quitting process. We also send young people evidence-based tips and strategies to quit and stay quit. This is Quitting is tailored based on age (within 13 to 24 years old) and product usage to give teens and young adults appropriate recommendations about quitting.

To enroll in This is Quitting, teens and young adults text **DITCHVAPE** to **88709.** The first messages they receive will ask for their age and product usage so that they are able to receive relevant messages. Users receive one age-appropriate message per day tailored to their enrollment date or quit date, which can be set and reset via text message.











Internet and Social Media Safety

In the online world, web pages and social networking sites have become a predominant forum for kids to search, present themselves, seek approval, and describe their interests. These areas are also high in scams and online predators. Help educate your children with our helpful resources on our Internet and Social Media Safety page!

www.hobart.kl2.in.us/mediasafety

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What is Social Emotional Learning (SEL)?

Social Emotional Learning is the process through which children and adults acquire and effectively apply the knowledge, attitudes, and skills necessary to understand and manage emotions, set and achieve positive goals, feel and show empathy for others, establish and maintain positive relationships, and make responsible decisions.

Find great advice, activities, and information at:

WWW.DOBART.KIP.IN.US/SEL

January's Wellness Calendar

Click this button to access January's Wellness Calendar! Here you will find a great daily schedule to start the new year of right! Strong mental and physical health!

January SEL Classroom Lessons

During the month of January, classroom SEL lessons will focus on Growth Mindset.

Growth Mindset is understanding that our brains continue to grow and develop throughout life. We all can learn new skills and fine tune our talents throughout life. It is beneficial to make mistakes. When we make mistakes our brain is primed to learn. This is very exciting! Feel free to use this guide in your home during the new year.





Parent and Caregiving Wellness

Pandemic Parenting: https://www.pandemic-parent.org/about/our-team

Parents and caregivers need support as well. Needing help & support is attending to your personal wellness. Take a moment to see how the site, Pandemic Parenting, can support you. Please click on a few of the resources to support you and your family. This site offers short "snack break" videos to longer sessions of support for parents of birth, toddlers, teens to young adults. Pandemic Parenting has support for grief & guilt, fear & anxiety, trauma & resilience as well as school & screen time support.







United Ways Resource Round Up

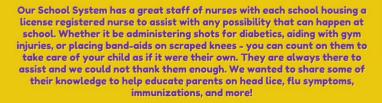
Need assistance? The Lake & Porter County United Way are teaming up with this great resource!!

Assistance with food, utilities, rent, clothing, mental health, burial, child care, computers,
education, dental, domestic violence, & much more!

2021-22 SCHOOL CITY OF HOBART ELEARNING DAYS FOR ALL STUDENTS



THE NURSES CORNER





WWW.HOBART.K12.IN.US/NURSESCORNER





HERE FOR YOU!

Make Your Appointment!

Monday: 8:30am - 5:00pm
(LAST APPT, AT 4:30PM)

• Tuesday: 8:00am - 11:00am

Wednesday: 8:30am - 5:00pm

(LAST APPT AT A: 30PM)

(LAST APPT AT A: 30PM)

 Thursday: 8:00am - 11:00am (LAST APPT. AT 10:30AM)

 Friday: 8:30am - 3:00pm (LAST APPT. AT 2:30PM)

(219) 945-9383



What Are Some of Their Services?

- · Health promotion and maintenance.
- Minor acute care such as cold, flu, cough, and fever.
- Chronic condition care, such as high blood pressure, diabetes management, asthma, and allergies.
- Basic laboratory assessments such as blood, TB skin test, rapid strep test, and more.
- · School and Sports Physical.



Located at; Hobart High School - Door 14 2211 East 10 St. Hobart, IN 46342

COVID-19 VACCINATION CLINIC AT HOBART HIGH SCHOOL

BOOSTERS AVAILABLE FOR ALL VACCINES

JANUARY 5 11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Hobart High School 2211 E. 10th Street

Door 13 - by the SCOH Aquatic Center





Pfizer Vaccine for those 5 years and older



Johnson & Johnson Vaccine for those 18 years and older



Moderna Vaccine for those 18 years and older

Walk-ins welcome. Save time by making an appointment at OurShot.IN.Gov or by calling 211.



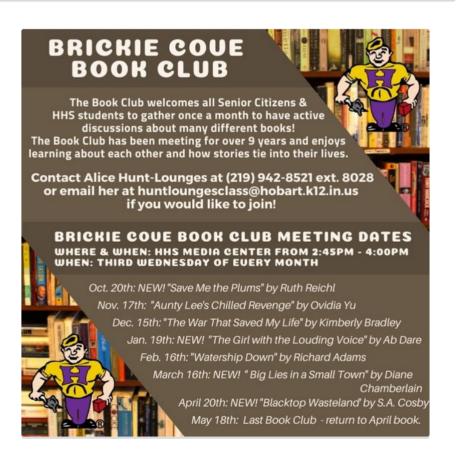
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The School City of Hobart invites senior citizens from the school Community of Hobart to join us for some FREE entertainment and educational events!













The Hobart Chamber of Commerce and the School City of Hobart Educational Foundation are proud to sponsor the Outstanding Educator Awards.

These awards will recognize educators from the elementary, middle, and high school levels who have made exceptional contributions and exemplary commitment to their profession & students.

www.hobart.k12.in.us/nominate

WHO WILL ACHIEVE THIS AWARD STARTS WITH YOU!
DEADLINE TO NOMINATE AN OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR
IS JANUARY 28TH, 2022.

All of our teachers are constantly learning new technology, teaching tools, and ways to educate. They have adapted to the changes in education and classrooms with grit, determination, and Brickie pride. Honor their hard work by nominating them!

The School City of Hobart Is Looking For <u>YOU</u> To Be A Part Of Our Team!

Substitute Bus Driver / Aide

Must have OR be willing to get a Class B CDL (We can train!) Sub Bus Driver: \$16.68 per hour Sub Bus Aide: \$11.04 per hour

Substitute Food Service

Sub Food Service: \$10.25 per hour

Substitute Custodial Engineer Sub Custodial Engineer: \$12.00 per hour Apply to any of these positions online at: www.hobart.k12.in.us/HR

Indiana Teacher's License: \$100.00 per day

Sub Permit with HS Diploma: \$80.00 per day Sub Aide / Clerical: \$10.25 per hour

Substitute Teacher / Aide / Clerical

Sub Permit with BS Degree or Higher: \$90.00 per day

Substitute Nurse Must have an LPN or RN to qualify.









The Building Brickies Program is so excited to get started on this effort to encourage caregivers to read and chat with their children.

The event will take place January 24-28th, but we want to get started with our planning now. Visit the link below to find information and ways to respond on how you would like to participate!

www.hobart.k12.in.us/BrickiesReadTogether

"Reading is dreaming with eyes wide open."

JOIN US FOR A VIRTUAL PARENT NIGHT

PSAT & SAT: UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD'S SCORE AND GAME-PLANNING FOR SUCCESS



TIME: 6:00-7:30 PM
LOCATION: ZOOM MEETING

Join at www.hobart.k12.in.us/scores Meeting ID: Meeting ID: 948 500 8209

Why does the PSAT & SAT still matter?

- Early College Eligibility
- Hobart University (HU) Participation
- Graduation Pathway Requirements
- o College & Career Readiness
- Postsecondary-Ready Compentencies
- Admissions
- Scholarships
- Placement Exams
- Military Academies
- And more!

Digging into what is on the PSAT & SAT Understanding your child's scores

SAT Coaching & Using the Khan Academy to improve scores

HOSTED BY DR. TIM KRIEG QUESTIONS? CALL (219) 942-8885











Click Here For Our Open Swim & Fun Swim Times!

School City of Hobart

Public Playground Hours

School Days:

Weekend: 8am - 4pm

4pm - Dusk
7pm during April - September

Playground Rules:

In order to keep the playground safe for our Brickie students and open to the public, please follow these simple rules.

- 1. No graffiti or vandalism of any kind!
- 2. Smile because you are on camera!
- 3. Wait your turn.
- 4. Give other kids a chance to play.
- 5. No pushing or shoving.
- 6. Be respectful to others & the equipment.
- 7. Pick-up after yourself.
- 8. Make new friends!





Scheduled	eLearning	Day!
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When

Friday, Jan. 7th, 7am-4pm

Where

Get Directions

School City of Hobart

More information

This day is one of our scheduled eLearning days. Students will login to Canvas for any assignments from their teacher(s) and can reach out to them with any questions via email between 9am and 3pm.

HHS Records Day - HHS Students have no school.

When

Friday, Jan. 14th, 7am

Get Directions

Where

Hobart High School

More information

Hobart High School students ONLY will have this day off. Kindergarten through 8th grades students will still attend a normal school day.

Martin Luther King Jr. Day - No School!

When

Where

Monday, Jan. 17th, 7am

Get Directions

School City of Hobart

More information

The School City of Hobart will be closed this day in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. No school buildings will be open.



When		
Friday, Jan. 28th, 7pm		
Where	Get Directions	
Kindergarten through 8th Grade at the School City of Hobart		
More information Parent teacher conferences will take place this day for our students in k These students will have no school. High School students will still attended		
Showcase of Preschools - Save the Date! When		
Thursday, Feb. 3rd, 6pm		
Where	Get Directions	
The Early Learning Center at George Earle		
More information		
More details and information will be coming out closer to the date. This you to learn about the many different preschools that are available in the curriculum, classroom management, activities, hours, prices, and more for more information!	e area. You will learn about their	
PSAT/SAT Information Night		
When		
Thursday, Feb. 10th, 6-7:30pm		
Where	Get Directions	
Virtual Zoom Meeting		
More information		
During this informative zoom meeting you will learn to better underst means for their future, and game-planning tips for a successful future! J the informative flyer above!		





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Definition Of A Brickie By Dr. Buffington!

Click this link to hear it!

Brickie (Brĭck-ee)

n. 1. a Hobart bricklayer. 2. a leader whose job it is to build. 3. a helpful and reliable leader. 4. a leader who strives for the best. 5. a leader who exhibits integrity, initiative, perseverance, has pride in oneself and one's school community 6. a leader who is very resourceful, respectful, responsible, and has a a sense of humor. 7 a leader who is courageous, caring, and cooperative. All my life I want to be a Brickie. Work! Work!

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