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## 21 Sports ... 1 Team ... WE ARE HOBART!

It's hard to think of a better way to ring in the new year than by watching the Brickies! With hindsight literally 2020, our student athletes are seeing the \#Brickrode ahead clearly and WORK WORK
WORKING towards accomplishing something special in 2021! Wrasslin' was the only Hobart sport in action this week as we arrived at the mid-point of the winter season. Fasten your seatbelts, these next two months should be a wild ride!!

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## Wrestling

On Saturday, our boys were @ Franklin Community High School for the IHSWCA Class 3A TEAM STATE Duals.

A total of 40 schools were selected ( 8 from Class $3 A \& 4 A, 12$ from Class $1 A \& 2 A$ ) to participate in the Duals State Championship. Participation in the Duals State Championship is by INVITE ONLY. Our boys earned the right to compete this year based on individual points earned at last year's IHSAA State Tournament Series. This event, sponsored by the Indiana High School Wrestling Coaches Association (IHSWCA), allows the BEST to compete against the BEST in each class in dual meets to crown a TEAM champion and offer a fantastic competitive experience for kids as they prepare for the post-season starting in a month.

Hobart was paired against Mishawaka in the quarterfinals. Junior Jacob Simpson got the Brickies off to an exciting start by winning a major decision over his opponent at 182! Classmates Trevor Schammert \& Ruben Padilla ... along with senior Tyler Turley ... would also secure individual victories, but ultimately the Cavemen were too much and won 49-19. Hobart faced Indianapolis Roncalli next in the consolation bracket. If you recall, it was the Rebels who defeated Hobart for the Class 4A football state championship on Thanksgiving weekend. This one was a BATTLE!! Roncalli took an early 15-6 lead ... Schammert won by pin and junior Donovan Ruiz won by points to tie things up at 15 a piece! The Rebels were able to gain control until Turley \& Simpson closed the match with back-to-back victories. Unfortunately, it wasn't enough and Hobart lost a tough one 43-27. In the final competition of the day, Terre Haute South was the opponent and this one went down to the wire! THS jumped out to an early 12-0 lead ... then Hobart stormed back to take a 17-12 lead! The Braves rattled off 15 unanswered to pull ahead 27-17 ... then sophomore Gavin Miller-Lane won a THRILLING match at 152 to close the gap to 27-21! Turley and Simpson scored 1st round pins @ 160 \& 170 to give H-town a 33-27 lead! The Braves had too much left in the tank though and rallied to win the last two matches to claim a 36-33 win.


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of the day, the 0-3 mark wasn't what we hoped the scoreboard would say, but that's not how we measure success anyway. Our boys SHINED on the big stage and represented HHS extremely well in terms of their GRIT \& TOUGHNESS ... two vital traits to carry while navigating the \#Brickrode. The overall success of our kids' experience at Team State and the growth our young guys showed ... improving each round throughout the competition ... sets the stage for another potential NCC crown and hopefully some post-season hardware!

Hobart is 9-5 on the season, 3-0 in the NCC, and back in action this week with a home contest against KV and another TOUGH road test at the Penn Quad. Let's Go Bricks!!
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## Sports Schedule This Week

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Monday
No Events Scheduled
Tuesday
Girls Swimming & Diving vs. Highland/Lowell *
Boys Swimming & Diving vs. Highland/Lowell *
Girls Basketball @ Hammond Morton (Varsity only starting @ 6pm)
Boys Basketball @ Griffith
Wednesday
No Events Scheduled
Thursday
Wrestling vs. Kankakee Valley *
Boys Basketball @ River Forest
Friday
Girls Basketball vs. Highland *
Saturday
Girls Swimming & Diving vs. LaPorte
Boys Swimming & Diving vs. LaPorte
Girls Basketball vs. River Forest
Wrestling @ Penn Quad
9th Boys Basketball @ Highland *
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