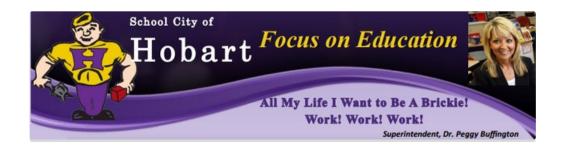


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# **Focus on Education**

August 2021



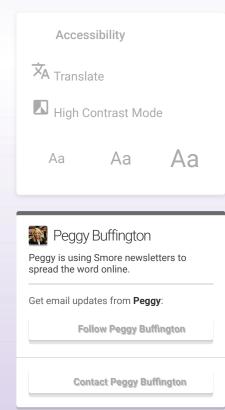


# Welcome To The New School Year - A Letter From Superintendent, Dr. Peggy Buffington!

Dear Brickie Families,

On behalf of the Board of School Trustees and Administration, welcome to the 2021-2022 school year! School begins for students on Wednesday, August 18th. We are looking forward to an exciting new school year! We cannot wait to see our Brickies!

The pride and tradition in being a Brickie is rich! There is such a sense of community in how we rally behind our mission and that oh so famous motto we teach every student to know and do.





#### Students! The following Early College and Career credits were achieved by our Brickies in 2021:

- · 795 students receiving Early College Credits
- Total Early College Credits earned: 7299
- Total projected money saved: \$1,091,565.45
- We had our second cohort of students (23) completing the Indiana College Core, which is a 30-credit sequence that will transfer to public universities in Indiana as one year of college.
- We had 24 seniors who earned their Associate's Degree this school year, which means they will
  leave Hobart High School with both a high school diploma AND a two-year college degree. For
  the first time ever, we have a student earning their Associate's in Medical Assisting and another
  student earning their Associate's in Energy Technology.
- We had 8 students earning a Certificate or Technical Certificate in Business Administration, Energy Technology, Medical Assisting, CNA and Dementia Care, and Basic Emergency Medical Studies.

#### What accomplishments by our students! Be proud to be a Brickie!

The Brickie Forward 2021-22 for COVID and the return to school plan is on our website at <a href="http://www.hobart.k12.in.us/brickieforward">http://www.hobart.k12.in.us/brickieforward</a>. You can also view a short video on COVID protocols on this page. As always, we will adjust the plan according to community spread of COVID and the direction of the authorities if and when necessary! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to ask.

The Brickie Network has all kinds of easy-to-find linked information to start the school year off right on our website at <a href="http://www.hobart.k12.in.us/2021">http://www.hobart.k12.in.us/2021</a>.

We have a mindset for our students and what we do as educators! We know we have Brickies who have dreams! We are here to make them come true!

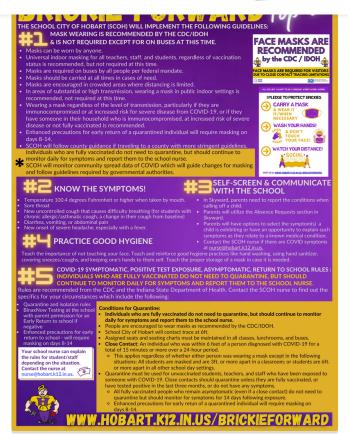
We look forward to seeing our students and you! Let's Go Bricks! Be a Brickie! Be Excellent on Purpose!

Sincerely,

Peggy Buffington, Ph. D., Superintendent of Schools

Welcome Back To School Letter From Dr. Buffington!

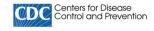




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FACE MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR VISITORS DUE TO CLOSE CONTACT TRACING LIMITATIONS





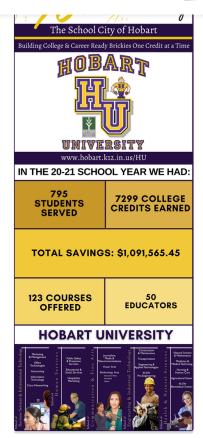




www.hobart.k12.in.us/2021







#### Student Accomplishments With Hobart University!

Hobart University is providing many opportunities for or students! Our Brickies are accomplishing more than they could ever imagine while in high school... and it is all for FREE!

During the 2018-2019 school year we had 727 students achieving college credits. We offered 72 courses that were taught by 36 educators, earning our Brickies a total of 6,222 college credits and a savings of \$874,946 in tuition! During the 2019-2020 school year we had an amazing 829 students achieve college credits while offering 96 courses taught by 49 educators. This earned our Brickies 7,704 college credits while saving an astonishing \$1,152,233.20 in tuition!

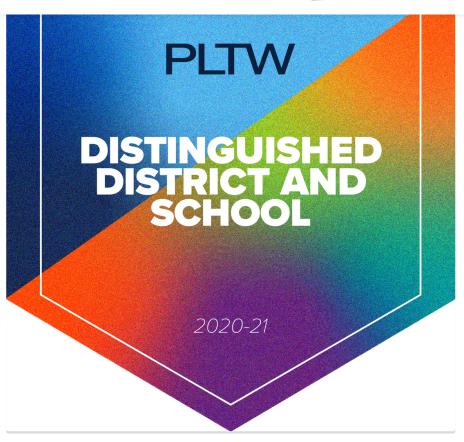
This past year, 2020 - 2021, was incredible for our Brickies and their futures. 795 students achieved college credits with 123 courses being taught by 50 educators. In total they earned 7,299 college credits and saved \$1,091,565.45 in tuition!

Over all in the past three years, with the implementation of Hobart University, our Brickies have earned 21,225 college credits while achieving their high school degree and saved over THREE MILLION dollars in tuition! Students gain experience and skills in their field of interest, with some even leaving high school with an Associate degree and all graduating knowing they have the tools, knowledge, and confidence to succeed.

So what are you waiting for? Learn more about Hobart University at  $\underline{\text{www.hobart.k12.in.us/HU}}$ 

The School City of Hobart Is One Of 19 Districts In The Country
To Earn The PLTW Distinguished District Recognition!





The School City of Hobart is a 2020-21 Project Lead The Way (PLTW) Distinguished District for providing broad access to transformative learning opportunities for students through its PLTW programs. We are one of just 19 districts across the U.S. to receive this honor. <a href="PLTW">PLTW</a> is a nonprofit organization that serves millions of PreK-12 students and teachers in schools across the U.S.

The PLTW Distinguished District recognition honors districts committed to increasing student access, engagement, and achievement in their PLTW programs. To be eligible for the designation, the district had to have had 20 percent or more of its students in each grade, PreK-12, participate in a PLTW program during the 2019-20 school year.

Through PLTW programs, students develop in-demand knowledge and skills that they will use both in school and for the rest of their lives, on any career path they take. As PLTW students progress through grades PreK-12, they are empowered to engage in problem-solving and process thinking, develop technical knowledge and skills, build communication skills, and explore career opportunities. The School City of Hobart offers PLTW Launch (PreK-5), PLTW Gateway (6-8), and PLTW [Computer Science, Engineering, and/or Biomedical Science] throughout each of our schools.

"It is a great honor to recognize each of our schools for their unwavering commitment to provide students with an excellent educational experience despite the unusual circumstances and unique challenges that the COVID-19 pandemic presented to the educational landscape this past year," said Dr. Vince Bertram, President and CEO of PLTW. "They should be very proud of their achievements in unlocking their students' potential and equipping them with the knowledge and skills necessary to thrive in life beyond the classroom no matter what career path they choose." The School City of Hobart is part of a community of PreK-12 schools, colleges and universities, and corporate and philanthropic partners across the country united around a passion for providing students with inspiring, engaging, and empowering learning opportunities. For more information about PLTW's recognition program, visit pltw.org/our-programs/program-recognition.





SCHOOL CITY OF HOBART
2021-2022
REGISTRATION
HAS REOPENED FOR YOU!
You must register your
student for the
2021-2022 school year
ASAP!

- NEW to the School City of Hobart?
  Get started at www.hobart.k12.in.us/register
- Currently enrolled at the School City of Hobart?

  Simply log in to your Skyward account and click
  "Online Registration" to get started!

#### Questions? Call (219)942-8885

Need assistance with Skyward? Call our Technology Department at (219) 942-1388.



Need assistance with the Registration process? Please call your student's school.



OUR ADMINISTRATION OFFICE WORKS YEAR-ROUND TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THOSE WITH QUESTIONS AND TO HELP GET THE BEST START FOR THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR!

#### Need a Residency Affidavit?

YOU MUST MAKE AN APPOINTMENT PRIOR TO THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL! As you know the School of Hobart is a closed enrollment school district and EVERY year everyone has to prove their residency. If you live with someone and cannot supply 2 house-related utility bills or 1 bill and mortgage/lease in your name, you will have to do a residency affidavit. You MUST make an appointment to complete this.

Visit www.hobart.k12.in.us/ResidencyAffidavit Proceed with online registration by submitting your driver's license, the homeowner's driver's license, & 2 of the homeowner's house-related bills.

#### Searching for a New Home?

Cive our office a call at anytime to verify that an address is within our School City of Hobart boundaries. Many times people forget that the City of Hobart boundaries are MUCH larger than the School City of Hobart boundaries. So, just because a house is in Hobart does not mean that it is within our District.

We verify addresses everyday so if you are not sure, we can help!

WE ARE HERE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE & TO HELP EVERYONE START A SUCCESSFUL 2021 - 22 SCHOOL YEAR! CALL OUR ADMINISTRATION OFFICE! (219) 942-8885



to help your child build a strong foundation for a lifetime of achievement. We will be working closely with families to tailor the learning program to each child's needs, talents, interests, and learning styles. Come learn more at the Open House!

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- · Learn the functions of the program from the professionals
- Learn about the expectations and requirements
- Get answers to your questions to help your student start their school year off right

JOIN US AUGUST 5TH AT 5PM VIA THE ZOOM LINK BELOW.

WWW.HOBART.K12.IN.US/BVSOPENHOUSE





Incoming Freshmen (Class of 2025) Who:

When: Wednesday, August 11th

8:30am - 1:00pm

**Hobart High School** Where:

- Review all that Hobart University can offer, including early college credits and career certifications.
- Open your locker and walk your schedule to familiarize yourself with the location of your classes - you may even meet some of your teachers!
- Meet our School Counselors and learn about the ways they can help you transition to the high school and reach your goals.
- Discover ways to achieve success at HHS and beyond! From Honors classes and Academic Assist to Power Hour and your "WHY!", we have something for everyone.
- Ask questions about the high school current Brickie students will answer your questions!
- Learn how to ensure that you are eligible to participate in athletics and extra-curriculars.
- Enjoy a Pizza Party with your classmates and visit the Sports and Club Fair to get connected before the first day of school!



Transportation will be provided for students who request it from their regular bus stop. All other students should be dropped off at Door 1 by 8:30 am and picked up at Door 1 at 1:00 pm.

#### SPAGHETTI DINNER . FOR PARENTS

August 11th at 6:00pm Hobart High School Enter Door 21 \*RSVP required

Students and Parents must RSVP!

- · Are you attending?
- Do you need transportation?

RSVP at www.hobart.k12.in.us/BrickieRush2021

#### Indiana 2021-2022 Required and Recommended School Immunizations

Grade	Red	Recommended	
Pre-K	3 Hepatitis B 4 DTaP (Diphtheria, Tetanus & Pertussis) 3 Polio	1 Varicella (Chickenpox) 1 MMR (Measles, Mumps & Rubella) 2 Hepatitis A	Annual influenza
K-5 <sup>th</sup> grade	3 Hepatitis B 5 DTaP 4 Polio	2 Varicella 2 MMR 2 Hepatitis A	Annual influenza
6 <sup>th</sup> -11 <sup>th</sup> grade	3 Hepatitis B 5 DTaP 4 Polio 2 Varicella	2 MMR 2 Hepatitis A 1 MCV4 (Meningococcal) 1 Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria & Pertussis)	Annual influenza 2/3 HPV (Human papillomavirus)
12 <sup>th</sup> grade	3 Hepatitis B 5 DTaP 4 Polio 2 Varicella	2 MMR 2 Hepatitis A 2 MCV4 1 Tdap	Annual influenza 2/3 HPV 2 MenB (Meningococcal)

HepB: The minimum age for the 3<sup>rd</sup> dose of Hepatitis B is 24 weeks of age.

orrunday. Polio\*: 3 doses of Polio are acceptable for all grade levels if the 3" dose was given on or after the 4" birthday and at least 6 months after the previous dose. In the second of the second

Varicella: Physician documentation of disease history, including month and year, is proof of immunity for children entering preschool through 12th grade. Parent report of disease history is not acceptable.

Tdap: There is no minimum interval from the last Td dose.

Hepatitis A: The minimum interval between 1st and 2nd dose is 6 calendar months. 2 doses are required for all grades.



Indiana State Department of Health, Immunization Division

(800) 701-0704



#### WEDNESDAYS START AUGUST 25TH!



#### BUS RIDERS:

MIDDLE SCHOOL + HIGH SCHOOL,
PLEASE BE AT YOUR STOP 30
MINS. LATER THAN USUAL.
ELEMENTARY, PLEASE BE AT
YOUR STOP 20 MINS. LATER
THAN USUAL.

Every Wednesday, our Admins. and Teachers meet in the morning to work on professional development to better educate your children! Because of this, all schools have a Late Start!

Below are the Late Start Wednesday school start times:

Kindergarten – Last bell @ 9:30am Elementary – Last bell @ 9:15am Middle School – Last Bell @ 8:15am High School – Last Bell @ 8:15am







Pursuant to Indiana compulsory attendance laws (Indiana Code 20-33-2), students are required to be in attendance for the school's educational program for 180 days per school year. Absences from school are only permitted per school regulations as defined in the student handbook.

Students will be allowed up to 10 absences per semester that will be considered excused with appropriate notification and documentation. Absences beyond 10, regardless of the reason, will be considered unexcused.

If there are excessive absences for "illness", the parents will be required to provide a statement from a physician describing the health condition. Without such a statement, the student's permanent attendance record will indicate unexcused absences. Additionally, failure to provide medical documentation, or comply with the school's request for certification, may result in a report to the Department of Child Services for the educational neglect.

Truancy from school is not acceptable. A student shall be considered a "habitual truant" when the student is chronically absent by having unexcused absences from school for more than ten (10) school days in one (1) school year. Students who are truant will receive no credit for school work that is missed.

The Department of Child Services may be contacted for educational neglect when students accumulate more than 10 unexcused absences. In the case of truancy, the Juvenile Court System and/or Juvenile Probation Department may be contacted.

For further details and to read the law in full visit the student handbook at www.hobart.k12.in.us/studenthandbooks

#### HITENTION ALL PAKENTO!

IT'S THE START OF A NEW YEAR
WITH NEW BUS ROUTES, BUS RIDERS,
AND ROAD CLOSURES!
PLEASE BE PATIENT AS THE DRIVERS AND
STUDENTS GET USED TO THEIR STOPS.
EXPECT THE BUSES TO BE A FEW MINUTES
LATE OVER THE NEXT FEW DAYS AS
EVERYONE LEARNS!
THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE AND
#BRICKIFUP





#### Here Comes the Bus App

The School City of Hobart uses the Here Comes the Bus app that is a bus and student tracking software tool that helps keep you informed and your children safe as they travel to and from home and school on the bus. Here Comes the Bus gives you real-time bus location and alerts to help you get your children to the bus stop at just the right time.

Visit www.hobart.k12.in.us/herecomesthebus for more information and directions to sign-up!







### **FAMILY GUIDES**

These guides are meant to share grade-level skills and ideas for how parents can become involved in their child's education.

WWW.HOBART.K12.IN.US/LITERACYGUIDES



Kindergarten

First Grade

Second Grade

Third Grade

Fourth Grade

Fifth Grade







# ARE YOU READY TO EARN FREE EARLY COLLEGE CREDITS?

Are you qualified to receive college credit for your early college classes?

#### **LET US HELP YOU!**

We will help you enroll and qualify during the following dates and times!

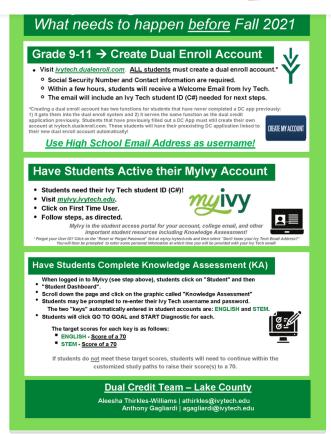
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AUG. 3 TUESDAY 8:00 - 3:00
AUG. 4 WEDNESDAY 11:00 - 7:00
AUG. 5 THURSDAY 11:00 - 7:00
AUG. 6 FRIDAY 8:00-12:00
AUG. 9-13 MONDAY-FRIDAY 8:00 - 3:00

Check in at Door 1 at Hobart High School!

Bring your charged Chromebook and
Social Security Number

QUESTIONS? Email Miss Burczyk at bburczyk@hobart.k12.in.us





#### <u>Dual Credit Testing Cheat Sheet – Ivy Tech Community College</u>

Test Type	АСТ	SAT	PSAT	Old Accuplacer	Next Gen Accuplacer	Knowledge Assessment
Writing/ Sentence Skills	17	27 Writing or 460 EBRW	26 or 430 EBRW	80	250 - 256 <u>and</u> Writeplacer 5+ or 257+	70
Reading	18	25 Reading or 460 EBRW	25 or 430 EBRW	76	257	70
MATH 123	18	500	24.5	40	250 QAS	55 QR or 50 STEM
MATH 136/137	24	550	27.0	74	263 AAF	70 STEM

#### \* Junior/Senior Waiver - 2.6+/4.0 GPA with a Core 40 Diploma \*

The Junior and Senior Waiver will exempt students from taking the Accuplacer for any class except for Math 135(Finite)/ Math 136(PreCalculus Honor)/Math 137 (Trigonometry Honors)

Note: If you are using Knowledge Assessment, students are only tested ONCE. If they do not meet the target scores above for college-level coursework, they will use Ivy Prep modules in the Ed Ready platform to increase their score until it is college-ready.

Note: Some courses require testing in all three subject areas and allow for a lower level math score comparable to MATH 123 above (e.g. BIOL, SCIN, MKTG, ENTR, ACCT, SDEV, APHY, ECON). Please check the full pre-req chart for more information.

Ivy Tech Community College Updated: June, 2020

Indiana Department of Education encourages teachers, students, parents, and administrators to watch the video below which provides information regarding why Indiana is transitioning to the SAT and what to expect moving forward.





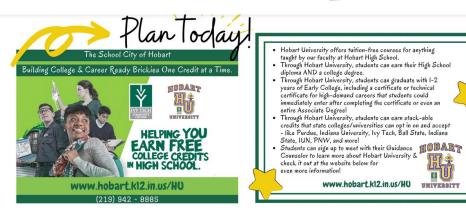




Be College And Career READY at SCOH! Plan For Success!

Click the title above to find ALL the information you need to help your student prepare for their future in the best way possible! Whether they are getting certified or working towards a degree, the School City of Hobart is here to help.

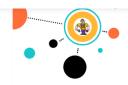






**Employability Skills** 





# TOWARD YOUR ACADEMIC GOALS BRICKIES!





Click Here For Our Open Swim & Fun Swim Times!



#### EVERY KID DUTDOORS

### AN OPPORTUNITY FOR EVERY 4TH GRADER TO EXPERIENCE OUR GREAT COUNTRY

Did you know that you own millions of acres of national parks, historic structures, cultural artifacts, ancient forests, snow-capped mountains, and clear blue lakes? Our federal public lands and waters belong to all Americans and are waiting for you to explore them! You can get your Every Kid Outdoors pass at www.everykidoutdoors.gov, the official website where parents, educators, and kids can learn more.

Every Kid Outdoors was created so fourth graders and their families could discover our wildlife, resources, and history for free. Our Country is full of dazzling landscapes where you can play and learn. They protect our wildlife and resources. They let us look into the past and protect our history. Keeping them public supports a healthy planet.

The Every Kid Outdoors pass is good for the 2020-2021 school year, until August 31, 2021. Then it begins for the 2021-2022 school year fourth graders. Information on obtaining the pass is available by visiting www.everykidoutdoors.gov

#### GET OUT AND EXPLORE!



#### Our Brickies are READERS!

Kids aged 4-12 are eligible for Pizza Hut's Book It program!

Track your student's progress in the digital dashboard and when they've reached their monthly goal, you'll receive a coupon for a



ONE-TOPPING PERSONAL
PAN PIZZA FROM PIZZA HUT





# PARENTS, REGISTER YOUR STUDENTS TODAY!

WWW.BOOKITPROGRAM.COM/BOOK-IT-FOR-PARENTS





# School City of Hohart Social Emotional Learning

#### WHAT IS SOCIAL EMOTIONAL LEARNING?

According to CASEL, "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."

Learn more about SEL and monthly focuses and activities at:

www.hobart.k12.in.us/SEL



#### Join the Battle to End Vaping

Attention student-athletes! Want to dash your dreams of playing sports? Then start vaping. It's a guaranteed way to irreversibly damage your lungs, your game ... and your life. Dreams aren't that important, are they? <u>Don't Puff This Stuff!</u> #VapingKillsDreams





# SAFETY IN THE SCHOOL CITY OF HOBART WWW.HOBART.K12.IN.US/SCHOOLSAFETY



### Public Playground Hours

Summer Hours: Weekend: 7am - 7pm 8am - 5pm

### 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!

Questions? Contact the Administration Office at (219) 942-8885



## 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.k12.in.us/mediasafety







FinalForms is now open for the 2021-2022 school year. Parents and students, please log in to FinalForms, select your sports, and complete and sign all required forms for the upcoming school year.

Your physical form can be printed once you've signed.

Completed physicals can be turned in to the Hobart High School Athletic Office at Door 19, Monday - Thursday from 7AM-1:30PM.

Please call or message with any questions. (219) 942-8521 ext. 8035.

www.hobart-in.finalforms.com #BrickieUp

Tip: You will not see the physical form until a sport is selected.



#### DIVIDIVIE OFIUIO IS OPEN!

#### Make your appointment!

MONDAY: 8:30 AM - 5:00PM

(Last appt. at 4:30pm)

TUESDAY: 8:00AM - 11:00AM (Last appt. at 10:30am)

WEDNESDAY: 8:30AM - 5:00PM (Last appt. at 4:30pm)

THURSDAY: 8:00AM - 11:00AM

(Last appt. at 10:30am)

FRIDAY: 8:30AM - 3:00PM (Last appt. at 2:30pm)



- -Health promotion and maintenance
- -Minor acute care such as cold, flu, cough, 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
- -Immunizations
- -School and Sports Physicals



**CALL (219)** 945-9383





The School City of Hobart is required by Federal and State law, as well as Board Policy, to provide annual notices to parents/guardians prior to the start of the school year.



To visit the Annual Notices online visit: www.hobart.k12.in.us/Notices



To request a hard copy of all annual notices for the school year, please contact the Administration Office at (219) 942-8885.

Info/Annual Notices /...

www.hobart.k12.in.us



#### Brickie Virtual School Open House

When

Thursday, Aug. 5th, 5pm

Where

**Get Directions** 

#### **Zoom Meeting**

#### More information

Our virtual program will provide an innovative learning experience to help your child build a strong foundation for a lifetime of achievement. We will be working closely with families to tailor the learning program to each child's needs, talents, interests, and learning styles. Come learn more at the Open House!

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Join us at 5pm via zoom by visiting www.hobart.k12.in.us/BVSOpenHouse



When	
Wednesday, Aug. 11th, 8:30am-1pm	
Where	Get Directions
2211 East 10th Street Hobart, IN	
More information  Brickie Rush is a great opportunity for our incoming Fresh opportunities, expectations, and so much more! www.hobart.k12.in.us/BrickieRush2021 so we are prepared!	man to get to know the building, Make sure to RSVP at
Freshman Parent Guide	
When	
Wednesday, Aug. 11th, 6pm	
Where	Get Directions
2211 East 10th Street Hobart, IN	
More information  Parents - join us for the spaghetti dinner where you will meet the A  High School and the opportunities that are being offered. www.hol	
Student's First Day of School!	
When	
Wednesday, Aug. 18th, 7:30am	
Where	Get Directions
All School City of Hobart Schools!	
More information  Welcome to the 2021 - 2022 School Year! We are excited to ha forward to a great school year! See the school calendar at	



development to better educate your children. Due to this, all schools will start a little later than usual. You can see the start times on the image above or by visiting www.hobart.k12.in.us/2021

#### Published by:

Dr. Peggy Buffington and Sarah Ramos

The School City of Hobart does not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, sex, color, national origin, religion, age, sexual orientation, marital status, genetic information, or disability, including limited English proficiency.

Contact us through the directory.

# Brickie (Brick-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! Work!

Definition Of A Brickie By Dr. Buffington!

Click this link to hear it!



Connect with Peggy Buffington

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