



The Brickie Bulletin

2016 SPRINGFEST

Thank you to all who volunteered and contributed to another successful Springfest. The Building Brickies program, which services children in the Hobart community from birth to kindergarten, benefited from the all of the hard work and donations. More than 500 students signed up to volunteer. Way to go!

Hall of Scholars

Congratulations to the 2016 Hall of Scholars: Kayla Liechty, Ailey Brumley, Elizabeth Gaines, Katie Hardlannert, Joshua Novak, Courtany Hill, Marisa Butkiewicz, Daniel James, Avery Raica, Jessica Parlock, Marisa Porras, Alexa Mitchell, Andrea Orosz, Kelsey Helton, and Stephanie Stack. These students are the top 15 students academically in the 2016 graduating class. Congratulations!

A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

How Can We Help Our Students To Just Say No?

Teenagers are faced with so many decisions, and as parents and school community, we can only hope that we have taught them enough to make the right choice. This goes for decisions such as, "Should I study for my upcoming exams?" It also goes for those all-important peer pressure questions where students have to make the choice to say no to drugs and alcohol. As many of you are aware, Porter County is dealing with a heroin epidemic- and the sad reality is that it is very close to home. So many of our students think that they will never end up like that- but many drugs begin as gateway drugs leading them to something stronger and more addictive. As a school, we implement our drug testing program for athletes and those involved in extra-curricular activities to give students another reason to say no. We also repeatedly try to educate our students on the dangers of drugs. This year alone we have covered methamphetamines, heroin, K2 Synthetic Marijuana, and alcohol. Research states that the most important thing parents can do is open the lines of communication about drugs and alcohol. If you suspect your child may be using, ask them. Also, know that it is your right to drug test your child at any time. Kits can be purchased at almost any drug store in the area.

HHS is committed to helping your child make the right choices and avoid the path of drugs and alcohol. If you are interested in more information, please join us at Hobart High School on Thursday, April 7^{th} at 6 pm for a Drug Enforcement Agency Presentation to parents on the dangers of drug use. This will be a great presentation to learn more about how you can best help your child avoid drugs.

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MAKING COLLEGE AND CAREER READY BRICKIES



JUNIORS:

Don't forget that you need a meningitis booster. All 12th graders are required to have one. If you haven't received it yet, get a jump on it before next school year!

News from the art department:

Anahstasia "Luna" Hard, a senior at Hobart High School, has was accepted to the American Academy of Art in Chicago. This is a small, private art college that accepts only a few hundred students every year. She was accepted during her junior year at Hobart High School based on the outstanding art work she submitted to them. The art department, as well as the entire school, is very proud of her for this accomplishment.

This year, Luna's senior year here at HHS, she competed in a very difficult scholarship competition at American Academy. Students had to finish two high quality pieces of art, in medium of choice, during a Saturday session. They had only a set, short amount of time to do a figure work from life and a still life work. She was recently notified that she not only did an amazing job, but she is the WINNER of one of the college's scholarships based solely on her art work that day. She is the proud recipient of a scholarship totaling over \$15,000.

Congratulations!!! All of the staff at Hobart High School is so proud of your accomplishments and wish you the best next year in Chicago.

Last chance for Memories

April is Yearbook Month! All Yearbook orders are due April 29th. Go to

www.yearbookforever.com to pay with a credit card OR bring cash or check made payable to Hobart High School Yearbook for \$55.00 to the HHS main office.



Introducing Yohan's Closet

The Hobart Educational Foundation and Hobart High School have partnered to provide hygiene products for students who do not have the financial support for personal care products.

Community members are encouraged to help assist in stocking the hygiene cabinet. Donations may be dropped off at Hobart High School and through the Hobart Educational Foundation at the School City of Hobart Administration Building.

Possible items needed are deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, soap, shampoo, conditioner, etc.

Upcoming Dates

April 4-Return from Spring Break

April 6-National Honor Society Induction Ceremony

April 7-Drug Enforcement Agency Presentation

April 11-15-Week of the Young Child

April 12-All Test Day

April 14-15-Talent Show

April 20-Brickie Maker and Innovator Showcase

April 26-29-English ECA

The Heart that Smiles Mobile Dentist date has been moved to May 13th. Services include exam, cleaning, fluoride treatment, and sealants for free!