



Early Learning Center

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Showcase of Preschools!

February 2nd, 2017
5pm - 7pm
Early Learning Center at George Earle
400 N. Wilson St.

Will your child be attending preschool next fall?



Building Brickies will be hosting the Showcase of Preschools on February 2nd from 5-7pm at the Early Learning @ George Earle. Local preschools will be present to answer your questions about their programs. This is a free event open to all Hobart families. No registration needed. Park in the back parking lot at the Early Learning Center and enter through Door #8. Attendees will be entered into a raffle for the chance to win a free SpringFest wristband!

30 Million

Did you know that the number of words a child is exposed to between ages 0-3 is significantly related to that child's ultimate intellectual and academic success? Studies have shown that the more parents talk to their children, the faster children's vocabularies grow and the higher the IQ test scores are at age 3 and later. These studies have also revealed a significant inequality in children's early language environments: children from families of lower socioeconomic status hear approximately 30 million less words than their peers from higher socioeconomic families. Dr. Dana Suskind, founder of Thirty Million Words Initiative, is determined to help parents level the playing field. There are three simple things that every parent should do to ensure that his or her child is hearing as many words as possible: **Tune In, Talk More, Take Turns.** These strategies can make a difference with your child starting NOW. Go online to watch the powerful video and for more information about the Thirty Million Word Initiative at <http://hobart.school-wires.com/earlychildhood> then click on "Parent Resources".



Play Time!

How can you help your child learn to think critically, share, learn new vocabulary, listen to others, understand and follow rules, problem solve, question, strategize, and socialize? **PLAY GAMES!!!** Play is an important part of development in young children. Enjoy some play time with your child and other ELC families at our Family Game Night. You will learn how to play new games and have the opportunity to purchase these games to take home that night for future fun with your family. Twenty percent of sales benefit the ELC. Concessions also available.

What: Family Game Night
When: Wednesday, February 15th
Time: 5-7 p.m.
Where: ELC



News from the Office

- Remember to have your child **dress for the weather.** Students are able to play in the snow area if they have winter boots, gloves, and snow pants.
- Attendance** is so important to your child's education. If it is necessary for your child to miss school, a **parent must call** to inform the office **AND** the **child must return with a letter or doctor's note.**
- Remember if your child purchases meals at school, to **put money into your child's account ahead of time.** Meal charging is allowed for Emergency purposes only. Payment on those charges should be sent to school in a timely manner.
- Be sure your child is up to date with **immunizations.** It is important that all medical records are turned into the office as soon as possible. Students who are not compliant will receive exclusion letters.