

# PORTRAIT

OF A HOBART HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE



## BELIEVE AND ACHIEVE

We believe that we can reach our potential and achieve excellence.

## RESPECT

We respect ourselves and others by our words and actions.

## INVOLVEMENT

We take advantage of school opportunities to grow both academically and socially.

## COLLEGE/CAREER READY

I am ready! We value and pursue post-secondary education training. We develop and practice professional ethics, attitudes, and skills.

## KEEP WORKING

All my life I want to be a Brickie. Work! Work! Work!

## SERVICE

We are involved in making our school and community a better place.

# Hobart High School



## Freshman Transition Guide



A guide for incoming  
freshmen and their parents.

## Once a Brickie, Always a Brickie.

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### Welcome to HHS!

#### Message from Hobart High School Principal, Brent Martinson:

Well, it has happened! Your child is finally in high school! The Hobart High School Administration is very excited to be a positive part of your child's life and ecstatic to begin a journey to prepare your child for College or a Career; we call this Mission Possible! Our goal is to provide your child with information that will help them prepare a plan for College or a Career by the time they graduate. If we work together each and every day, then we can accomplish excellence for your child! Let's begin the journey together!



Throughout your 9th grade year, we have many opportunities for you to succeed and prepare for life after high school. We want to first tell you that we believe in each and every one of you and that you can succeed in high school. We ask that you give 100 percent every day and ask for help when you need it. This year at Hobart High School you will have the opportunity to:

- Participate in a *College and Career Readiness class* for half of the year.
- Participate in a *College & Career Readiness Homeroom called CCRT.*
- Participate in the *ACT PLAN test*
- Participate in *PBIS, Positive Behavior Intervention and Support, program.*
- Participate in our *Workforce One Employer Expectation program.*

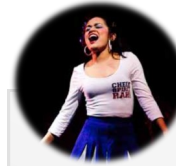
We believe that it is possible for all of you to become successful in high school, and we want to prepare you for life after high school. We have a saying here at HHS that we want you to live out every day:

**If you believe it, you can achieve it!**

## Hobart High School

### EXTRACURRICULAR OVERVIEW

#### PERFORMING ARTS



The Performing Arts Department at HHS offers students a multitude of extracurricular opportunities. Students can get involved with band, choir, or theater. Within each of those categories, there are numerous options available. Some of these include: marching band, acting in the spring and fall theater production, assisting with the tech / crew



for the plays, singing in the choirs or making a specialty choral group such as

Wolfgang or Mystique. Please see Mr. Grenier (band), Mr. Wolff (choir), or Mrs. Nelson (theater) for more information.



JROTC



Junior Reserve Officer's Training Corps. It is a military-based high school program whose purpose is to educate high school students in leadership roles while making them aware of the benefits of citizenship. The mission of JROTC is to motivate young people to become better American citizens.

Students are our mission—our only reason for existence. We are devoted to student growth at home, in school and in our community. Using military skills and specially developed curriculum, we teach:



CHARACTER - CITIZENSHIP - COMMITMENT - LEADERSHIP- TEAMWORK - FITNESS - COMMUNITY- SERVICE - RESPONSIBILITY - SELF-ESTEEM - ACCOMPLISHMENT - SELF-DISCIPLINE

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### EXTRACURRICULAR OVERVIEW

#### ATHLETICS

Hobart High School has a proud tradition of athletics.

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We encourage all students to participate by either joining a team or as a fan.

Below is a list of HHS athletic teams.

Contact the Athletic Department for more information.

#### Freshman Sports Teams

Those teams with an asterisk (\*) also have a freshman team that competes against other freshmen teams from Indiana. Ninth graders are eligible to play on any team (JV, Varsity, Freshman) depending on ability level / try outs.

#### Fall

- \*Volleyball
- \*Football
- Boys and Girls Soccer
- Boys and Girls Cross Country
- \*Cheerleading
- Girls Golf
- Boys Tennis

#### Winter

- \*Boys Basketball
- \*Girls Basketball
- Gymnastics
- Boys and Girls Swimming
- Boys and Girls Diving
- Wrestling

#### Spring

- \*Baseball
- \*Softball
- Boys and Girls Track
- Girls Tennis
- Boys Golf



#### Annual Events for Freshmen

##### Homecoming Dance

This is held the Saturday after the Homecoming game.

##### Homecoming Week Festivities

Parade, Pep session, house decorating, and many more!

##### Semi Dance

This is held sometime in January. It is a semi-formal dance that 9th graders can attend.

##### Spring Fest

Volunteer your time to help with our district-wide fun fair and earn service learning hours too!

##### Talent Show

Students must audition if they would like to participate in the show. The show is held sometime in April.

**Be sure to listen to announcements. Each year, different events are offered.**

## Hobart High School

### MEET YOUR ADMINISTRATIVE TEAM



**Mrs. Patrick**  
Assistant Principal



**Mr. Martinson**  
Principal



**Mr. Munden**  
Assistant Principal

# MISSION POSSIBLE

Hobart High School offers all incoming 9th grade students the opportunity to participate in **MISSION POSSIBLE DAY**. This is held in the summer and is a one day orientation to high school. During this time, upperclassmen come in to mentor, answer questions, and offer advice. We also review policies and produce, discuss what high school is all about, help students get acclimated to the building, and get them excited about HHS! We encourage all students to attend and always have a great turn out! This is usually held the Wednesday before registration begins.

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### Where to Go & Who to See

Principal– Mr. Martinson 942-8521  
X8002

Assistant Principal (Last Name A-K)- Mrs. Patrick 942-8521  
X8006

Assistant Principal (Last Name L-Z)- Mr. Munden 942-8521  
X8001

**Student Services**– Attendance (A-K) 942-8521  
X8007

Mrs. Reppert– Secretary

- to call your child off from school / arrange an early pick up
- to solve a locker problem

**Student Services**– Attendance (L-Z) 942-8521  
X8005

Mrs. Schinella– Secretary

- to call your child off from school / arrange an early pick up
- to obtain a parking pass

**Guidance Office** 942-8521  
X8021

Mrs. Fugate– Secretary

- to schedule an appointment with your counselor.
- to request transcripts
- to obtain a work permit

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### EXTRACURRICULAR OVERVIEW

Freshmen have the opportunity to get involved in numerous clubs, athletics, and fine arts programs. HHS encourages all students to get involved!



Team Lead	Ms. Barker
French Club	Mrs. Olejniczek
9th Grade Class	Mrs. Roach
Spanish Club	Mrs. Freytes / Ms. Hammer
RUBY	Ms. Barber
Key Club	Ms. Smurdon
German Club	Ms. Fischer
Quiz Bowl	Mr. Brumley
Booster Club	Ms. Swafford
Student Council	Mr. Klukken
Academic Super bowl	Mr. Cline
FCA	Mr. Cline
Bowling	Community Sponsor
Academic Spell Bowl	Mrs. Goodrich
Genesisus Players	Mrs. Nelson



LOOK FORWARD TO THESE CLUBS AND EVENTS AS AN UPPERCLASSMAN

National Honor Society

DECA

Every 15 Minutes

Prom

Powder Puff Football Game

Psychology Club

Student / Faculty Basketball Game

Graduation

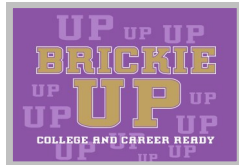
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### ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

#### Preparing for College and Careers

##### College and Career Readiness Course / 9th Grade Study Hall

All freshman students are required to take one semester of College and Career Readiness and one semester of a study hall. The College and Career Readiness class will give students the opportunity to explore careers and colleges and create a plan for after high school. Students will earn an elective credit towards graduation if they successfully pass the course.



#### CCRT

College and Career Readiness time, or CCRT, is similar to a homeroom where students have assistance and support preparing for life after high school. This time is set aside 1-2 times per month and is required for all students. Our expectation is that all students utilize this time to prepare themselves for their future.

##### CCRT SCHEDULE:

Period 1- 7:45-9:05

**CCRT- 9:10-9:40**

Period 2- 9:45-11:05

Period 3- 11:09-1:07

Period 4: 1:12 – 2:36

#### GPA / TRANSCRIPTS

The transcript is a record of classes taken, semester grades, credits, (GPA), class rank, test scores, conduct / effort ratings, student involvement, and attendance.

With all of that valuable information, your transcript gives colleges and employers a first hand look at who you are on paper. It is critical that you begin your 9th grade year putting forth your best effort; this is the year that will set the stage for life after high school.

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### Where to Go & Who to See

Mr. Klukken– Counselor 9th Grade & 10 –12 Last Name I-N	942-8521 X8025
Mrs. Adams– Counselor Grades 10-12— Last Name A-H	942-8521 X8031
Mr. Kammer– Counselor Grades 10-12—Last Name O-Z	942-8521 X8026
School Nurse– Mrs. O'Brien	942-8521 X8005
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to drop of medication for a student</li> <li>to pick up an ill student</li> <li>to check the lost and found</li> </ul>	
<b>Athletic Office</b>	942-8521
Mrs. Carter– Secretary	X8035
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to pick up / drop off physical forms</li> <li>to obtain information about sporting events / teams</li> <li>to purchase tickets for events</li> </ul>	
<b>Main Office</b> – Secretary Sherry Weber	942-8521
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to obtain general school / event information</li> </ul>	X8004
Bookkeeper– Secretary Tiffeni Taylor	942-8521
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>to pay book rental</li> </ul>	X8003
HHS Fax Number	942- 3326

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### POLICIES & PROCEDURES

#### Daily Schedule

Hobart High School is on a Block 8 schedule. This means that students are scheduled for eight classes each semester. Students attend 4 of these classes on Purple Days and the other 4 on Gold Days. This alternating day schedule allows for 90 minute periods during the day.

On a **regular school day**, classes begin at 7:45 a.m. and end at 2:36 p.m. with each day consisting of four 90-minute periods. We have four nine-week grading periods per year.

#### Late Start Wednesday– PLC Time

All School City of Hobart teachers work in Professional Learning Communities (PLCs). This is a time for professional development and collaboration. Every Wednesday, students start school 30 minutes later. See adjusted time schedule on the Daily Schedule page.

#### Attendance Procedures

Parents or guardians are requested to call Student Services at 942-7312. In order for an absence to be excused, the parent / guardian must call by 7:20 the following morning.

#### Prearranged Absence

Please call 942-7312 in advance if you know your child will be leaving early. Students will then receive a prearranged pass from the attendance office. The student needs to sign out in Student Services at the requested time. Upon returning to HHS, students will need to go to Student Services to sign in and receive a pass to class. Please bring all medical notes to Student Services to document an absence.

#### TOTAL ALLOWED:

4– excused per class  
7– excused / exempt (this includes medical / funeral, etc.) See Handbook for more details.

#### Tardy Policy

Tardies are calculated in a cumulative manner. Instead of calculating tardies strictly by period, tardies are counted as a whole per semester. Excessive tardies will result in the following consequences:

#### Tardies / Consequence

**4 Total** → 3 lunch detentions / notification sent home  
**8 Total** → Friday School Detention  
**10 Total** → Saturday School Detention  
**12 Total** → Loss of extracurricular dance / Talent Show privileges for the next scheduled event (Homecoming, Semi, Prom, Talent Show or any other Admin Approved Social Function)

If a student accumulates 20 tardies in ONE semester, they must forfeit their dance /Talent Show / other Admin approved social function privileges for the remainder of the school year. In addition, at 20 tardies, a parent conference will be held with the parent, student, and one of the principals.

After 10 total tardies, every additional four (4) tardies will result in a Saturday School Detention.

When a student reaches eight (8) tardies in any one class, the student will lose credit for the semester.

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### ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

#### Final Exams Count!

Finals tend to sneak up on most 9th grade students. Students will take final exams at the end of each semester (January and June). Each semester is made up of two nine-week grading periods (2 quarters) and one final exam. The grade students receive each nine weeks accounts for 40% of their final grade and the final exam accounts for 20%. If you look at each semester, it is comprised of three parts. In order to pass a class, a student must pass two of the three parts. Below is the break down:

SEMESTER 1	Quarter 1 40%	Quarter 2 40%	FINAL EXAM 20%	=	FINAL GRADE THAT GOES ON TRANSCRIPT
SEMESTER 2	Quarter 3 40%	Quarter 4 40%	FINAL EXAM 20%	=	

#### Work Hard Now...

If you start off your high school career by earning all of your credits, it will open the door to a multitude of opportunities. By your junior and senior year, you would be eligible to take Advanced Placement (AP) Courses. Dual Credit Classes, Cadet Teaching, Internships, or take classes through our partnership with the Porter County Career Center. Below are some of the options PCCC has to offer:

- \* Cosmetology
- \* Dental Health
- \* Sports Medicine
- \* Modern Machining
- \* Printing
- \* Landscape Design
- \* Cisco
- \* Diesel Technology
- \* Criminal Justice
- \* Culinary
- \* Early Childhood
- \* Welding
- \* Auto Technology
- \* EMT
- \* Construction
- \* Industrial Mechanics
- \* Video Production
- \* Sports Marketing
- \* Health Careers
- \* Medical Terminology

### STAY CONNECTED WITH HARMONY



Now, it is easier than ever to stay connected and up-to-date with your child's class progress, discipline, and attendance. Just log on to Harmony, and you have access to everything! Through the Harmony system, you can also quickly email teachers.

Interested in Notifications? Once logged into Harmony, input your cell phone number or email address to receive instant notifications when your child has a missing assignment!



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### ACADEMIC OVERVIEW

#### Credits

Credits are your key to graduating. You need 42 credits (from the required courses) to graduate with a high school diploma. In addition, if you stay on track with credits your 9th and 10th grade years, you will have the opportunity to take specialty courses as an upperclassman such as Porter County Career Center. Also, you will be able to take Dual Credit Courses and earn college credit for taking certain classes in high school!



#### Diplomas

Hobart High School offers different diploma tracks. We encourage all students to receive their Core 40 diploma if they plan to pursue post-secondary education or training.

- Core 40
- Core 40 with Academic Honors
- Core 40 with Technical Honors



#### Tutoring

First and foremost, we encourage students to talk with their teachers. Many of our teachers have certain days that they can stay after to provide extra help to students or will arrange a time to help. In addition, students can sign up in Guidance for the HHS Peer Tutoring Program, STEP. Another option is to visit [khanacademy.org](http://khanacademy.org) and / or call ASK ROSE – HOMEWORK HOTLINE at (877) ASK-ROSE. If you need more information on any of the above options, please contact the guidance department.



## Hobart High School

### POLICIES & PROCEDURES

#### Bell Schedule

M/T/TH/F

Period 1– 7:45– 9:15

Period 2– 9:20-10:50

Period 3- 10:55– 1:00 (LUNCH PERIODS)

PERIOD 4– 1:05-2:36



#### When is Lunch?

The lunch schedule is determined by a student's 3rd and 7th period teachers. On the first day of school, all of the offices and classroom teachers will post the lunch schedule. It will list the teacher's last name and specify A, B or C lunch.

#### LATE START WEDNESDAY

Period 1- 8:15-9:37

Period 2– 9:42– 11:04

Period 3– 11:09-1:07

Period 4– 1:12– 2:36

#### FRIDAY AND SATURDAY SCHOOL DETENTION INFORMATION

Friday and Saturday School detentions are assigned for various reasons. Here is some important information to know about each:

#### FRIDAY SCHOOL DETENTION

- Meets after school on designated Fridays from 2:45-4:15.
- Students are not permitted to use electronic devices, talk to one another, pass notes, or leave for any reason.
- Failure to attend will result in a Saturday School Detention.

#### SATURDAY SCHOOL DETENTION

- Meets on the designated Saturday from 8 a.m.– 11 a.m.
- Students must arrive on time and enter through door 23. Doors will lock promptly at 8:05.
- Students are not permitted to use electronic devices, talk to one another, pass notes, or leave for any reason.
- Failure to attend the Saturday Class will result in a full day of In-School-Suspension (ISS) or Out of School Suspension (OSS) depending on the frequency of the missed detention.

In addition, any student who fails to attend a Friday School or Saturday School will NOT be eligible to attend any after school social events for the remainder of the semester (i.e. Homecoming, Semi, Prom, talent show, or any other Administrative approved social function.) For example, a student who has a scheduled Friday School in February, but fails to attend, will not be allowed to attend Prom or participate in the Talent Show.

If a student cannot attend a Friday or Saturday School for any reason, his / her parent MUST contact a building principal prior to the scheduled detention and have the absence excused / rescheduled.

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### POLICIES & PROCEDURES

#### Truancy Policy

A truancy occurs when a student is absent without the consent of a parent / teacher / administrator for any part of the school day OR when a student is found in an area of the school without permission. Below are the consequences HHS enforces:

Truancy #	Consequence	
1	3- Lunch Detentions	<b>At 10 truancies:</b>  Under 18 yrs. old: invalidation form, expulsion letter.  Over 18 yrs. old: withdraw letter
2	Friday School	
3	Friday School	
4	Saturday School, Juvenile Referral	
5	Saturday School & Cannot attend the next scheduled / eligible dance / talent show, or any other Administrative approved social function	
6	All Day ISS	
7	All Day ISS & Loss of dance / talent show / any other Administrative approved social function privileges for the entire year.	
8 & 9	1 Day- Out of School Suspension	
10	2 Days- Out of School Suspension	

#### Electronic Device Policy

Personal electronic devices are not to be used during instructional time unless approval has been given by the classroom teacher. Electronic devices can be used during passing periods and during lunch hours as long as it does not interfere with the educational environment. Refer to the student handbook for specific guidelines. Using an electronic device in a way that violates our school policy will result in the following disciplinary action:

- 1st Violation– Friday School
- 2nd Violation– Saturday School
- 3rd Violation—Out of School Suspension
- Subsequent offenses will result in continued OSS days



#### Book Bags

Students are not allowed to carry book bags during school hours. Purses must also not be large enough to hold a standard size text book. If a student is bringing a laptop to school, they are permitted to use a bag to carry the device to prevent damage.

## Hobart High School

### POLICIES & PROCEDURES

#### Bus Transportation

The majority of our 9th grade students ride the bus. Students are only allowed to ride their assigned bus. Under no circumstance will an administrator sign a pass for a student to ride a different bus. We also take bus referrals very seriously since safety is our top priority. Continued bus referrals will result in a loss of bus riding privileges.



Any questions regarding bus routes or drop off / pick up locations should be directed to our Transportation Service Center at 947-2413.

#### Lockers

Each student is assigned a locker at HHS. Locker numbers and combinations are handed out with schedules. For problems, please contact Student Services. It is important to note that students are responsible for the contents of their locker, and the school is not responsible for items presumed stolen or missing in any way. We do not recommend bringing valuables to school, and we deter students from purposefully jamming lockers, or sharing lockers with another student.

#### PE Uniforms

Hobart High School students must purchase a gym uniform for gym class. The uniform can be purchased through the PE Teachers at a cost of \$20.

#### Dropping Off Items

We do not interrupt class to notify students of dropped off items. Also- we do not allow parents to drop off fast food to students for lunch. A student can purchase lunch in our cafeteria.

#### Dress Code

Students are encouraged to “Dress for Success” at HHS. The student handbook outlines the complete dress code and parents and students should read through it before the start of school. Any student who is in violation for the dress code will have the opportunity to change into something the school provides. If the student refuses to change– they are sent home for defiance (OSS) for the rest of the day.