



**T**he School City of Hobart is a community of **PARTNERS** in providing the best opportunities for children to achieve and be successful! Our mission remains our passion:

- Our Schools Equip Children for Adulthood**
- Our Schools Address the Needs of Individual Students**
- Our Schools Are Community Schools**
- Our Schools Are Committed to Success**

**F**rom the very beginnings of life, **PARENTS AS TEACHERS (PAT)** based at the Early Learning Center provides home visits, assessments, and play groups for new or veteran parents from birth to kindergarten in assisting them to get their children ready for learning and school (see page 8). While at school, of course we have the most amazing teachers preparing students by teaching academic standards. Parents can take a look and review the **COMMON CORE STATE STANDARDS** to assist their children at home with these very rigorous standards on page 2. Why Common Core State Standards? These new standards are paving the way for **COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS.**

**W**e have so many partners helping us prepare our students for college and careers. We have incredible organizations like Kiwanis who initiate the Bring Up Your Grades (BUG) program in our schools. We have **MENTORS**, including our own students, staff members, and adult volunteers from the community who help students set goals and meet academic needs (see page 9). Our university partners provide college credits for rigorous approved courses taught at Hobart High School (see page 4). We also have important partners from the business community such as St. Mary Medical Center who provides academic programming and internships (see pages 5 and 6).

**B**rickies are **UNIQUE** in serving one another. Our PTOs, the Hobart Educational Foundation, PAT Donors, and the Hobart Food Pantry are the finest examples of providing for children and our schools on pages 7 and 8. Our students are wonderful in giving back to the **COMMUNITY** through the Senior Citizen's Beat and free Performing Arts programs on page 11.

**L**ast but not least, **LEARN** with family nights and special presentations offered by the School City of Hobart. Parents are our most important partners! From how children succeed on page 3, to safety and simple fun, we have something for everyone on page 10.

**Building College and Career Ready Brickies!**

# “Education Has Changed Since I Was in School”

## Big Shifts in Learning: The CCSS Mystery

Do you remember what school was like when you were in kindergarten? Times sure have changed. It is common to hear parents talk how education has changed since they were in school. Children are learning at higher levels than in the past. Education continues to grow and help prepare children for the future. Most recently, Indiana along with 44 states and 3 territories adopted a common set of standards with a roadmap to learning for students, teachers, and parents called **Common Core State Standards (CCSS) for Language Arts and Math**. These standards provide clear expectations for each grade level and are designed to be relevant to the real world, reflecting the knowledge and skills for success in college and careers.

The School City of Hobart is following the recommendation given by the Indiana Department of Education to make the transition to these Common Core State Standards. **All grades** are learning the Common Core State Standards in **Language Arts this year**. **Kindergarten** and **first grade students** are learning Math CCSS in addition this year.

There are some **big shifts** with the Common Core State Standards. It will be important for **parents to be partners** with transitioning to these more rigorous standards. These are skills that will prepare students for college and career. See the big shifts below along with some tips for helping children at home.



John Luke/The Times

Big Shifts in Literacy	How do I help my child?
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Emphasis on Informational Texts</b></li> <li>2. <b>Literacy in all Content Areas</b></li> <li>3. <b>Text Complexity</b></li> <li>4. <b>Argumentative Writing</b></li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Read</b> non-fiction texts <i>aloud or with</i> your child to learn information.</li> <li>2. <b>Discuss</b> non-fiction texts and the ideas within.</li> <li>3. Don't wait until the end to discuss what was read. Discuss thinking and ideas <i>while reading</i>.</li> <li>4. Discuss the <b>evidence</b> that supports the thinking.</li> <li>5. Have your child read <b>multiple resources</b> on a topic, <b>gather information</b> and <b>compare the texts</b>.</li> <li>6. Read <b>challenging text</b> with him/her and discuss thinking.</li> <li>7. Help your child <b>make connections</b> with what they read. What do they <i>already know</i>? How does what they just learned <i>fit</i> with what they already know? How has their opinion/knowledge <i>changed</i>?</li> <li>8. Ask your child his/her <b>opinion</b> about various current events and have them explain their reasoning. <b>Debate</b> is a great way to enhance argumentative writing. The more children become comfortable debating verbally, the easier it will be to write in that way.</li> <li>9. Give your child a <b>journal</b> for him/her to write in everyday to become comfortable writing.</li> </ol>
John Luke/The Times	
Big Shifts in Math	How do I help my child?
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Develop Speed and Accuracy</b></li> <li>2. <b>Problem Solve</b></li> <li>3. <b>Use Reasoning</b></li> <li>4. <b>Constructing Viable Arguments</b></li> <li>5. <b>Use it in the Real World</b></li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Spend time with your child on <b>priority work</b>.</li> <li>2. Help your child <b>memorize basic math facts</b>. The car is a great place to practice facts for speed.</li> <li>3. Be sure your child is <b>practicing specific math facts</b> he/she doesn't know.</li> <li>4. Have your child <b>explain his/her thinking and reasoning</b> for solving homework and real world problems.</li> <li>5. Provide <b>TIME</b> for your child to work hard with math at home.</li> </ol>

### Resources for Parents

- Visit the district website at <http://hobart.schoolwires.com/commoncore> to learn more about CCSS and the curriculum.
- Check out the resources from the National PTA at this website [www.pta.org/4446.htm](http://www.pta.org/4446.htm).
- Use the **Cool Tools** on the School City of Hobart website.
  - Take a closer look at the Common Core State Standards at [www.corestandards.org](http://www.corestandards.org).
  - Get free online tutoring for your child at [www.khanacademy.org](http://www.khanacademy.org).
  - Your child can get free tutorials and practice in the **Compass Learning Odyssey** based on their **individual need**.
  - Your child can read “just right” and challenging books online at home with **RAZ-Kids**.





# College and University Partners Provide “Early College” in High School! Are you READY? Brickie Up! IT HAS BIG RETURNS!

## HOW DO STUDENTS BEGIN EARNING COLLEGE CREDIT?

Beginning to earn credits in high school has great returns!

- Families save money
- Shorter time to get degree
- Rigorous college work in high school
- Successful college graduation
- Work-ready workforce

Hobart High School offers dual credit classes, which means students receive high school credit and college credit at the same time when they meet the requirements. Students can be READY for college and career readiness by taking dual credit classes at HHS.

### 5 Easy Steps to Earn College Credit at Hobart High School

1. Students must meet the requirements of the university to enroll in the course. Specifically, grade point average, ACT or SAT scores matter.
2. Students must enroll in high school courses that are dual credit.
3. Students must complete the university application.
4. Students must complete the course work and pass the course at Hobart High School.
5. Students will earn college credit and receive an official college transcript.

College Credit, Concurrent Enrollment, and Dual Credit all refer to a high school student completing a college course in high school.

Enrollment Applications are available at HHS. All students must enroll at the university and pass the course to receive college credit.

University Fees are waived for high school students qualifying for Free and/or Reduced Lunch

### School City of Hobart Student Earns 12 College Credits

**Who:** Jenna Ferris, 2012 graduate of Hobart High School earned 12 college credits while enrolled at Hobart High. She is currently attending Purdue University at West Lafayette and studying to become a veterinarian.



**Why:** Jenna’s inspiration for earning dual credits was to get ahead in college. She is already a full semester ahead of other freshmen by completing dual credit courses at Hobart High School.

**Advice:** Although she completed 12 credit hours, she wishes that she would have taken additional courses to get further ahead. Jenna encourages all students to take advantage of taking the dual credits while attending Hobart High School. The course load and tests may be difficult, however it’s necessary to prepare for college level courses.

Hobart Academic Partnerships for College Credit

School City of Hobart & Purdue University



Hobart Academic Partnerships for College Credit

School City of Hobart & Ball State University



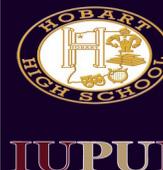
Hobart Academic Partnerships for College Credit

School City of Hobart & Vincennes University



Hobart Academic Partnerships for College Credit

School City of Hobart & Indiana University Purdue University Indianapolis



Hobart Academic Partnerships for College Credit

School City of Hobart & Ivy Tech Community College



Hobart Academic Partnerships for College Credit

School City of Hobart & Indiana University



## College Go WeeK!

MAP YOUR FUTURE  
with a Graduation Plan

**College Go! Week 2012  
Destination Graduation**

**Kicks off September 24th  
Visit College Go!**

<http://www.in.gov/collegeweek/index.htm>

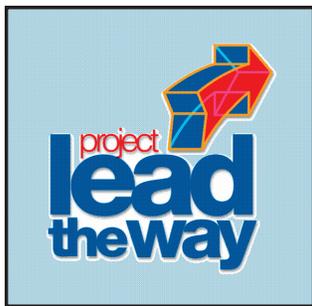
SET YOUR SIGHTS  
on College Completion

Resources and activities that begin at the kindergarten level. Resources are plentiful. They range from planning guides, tours of local university campuses, financial assistance information and procedures to applying and being accepted to college. It’s the complete destination guide.

### COLLEGE BOARD WEBSITE

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/make-a-plan>

<p><b>Get a plan.</b> Answer 5 simple questions and get a free step-by-step road map to college.</p> <p><b>1. What grade are you in?</b></p> <table style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">8th grade or lower</td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">9th grade</td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">10th grade</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">11th grade</td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">12th grade</td> <td style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 2px;">High School graduate</td> </tr> </table> <p style="text-align: center;">Sign up/in </p>	8th grade or lower	9th grade	10th grade	11th grade	12th grade	High School graduate	<p>I am (1) _____ when it comes to searching for colleges. (2) _____</p> <p>As far as paying for college, I’m looking for (3) _____</p> <p>I’m (4) _____ after high school.</p> <p>When I imagine college, I’m most excited about (5) _____</p>
8th grade or lower	9th grade	10th grade					
11th grade	12th grade	High School graduate					



# Career Partnerships



## Project Lead The Way Biomedical

Hobart Biomedical Science students continue to thrive in the job shadow program with St. Mary Medical Center (SMMC). This is the second year of the mentoring program and students have greatly enjoyed their personal experiences with the staff and patients and have gained a better understanding of what it takes to work in a fast-paced facility such as SMMC.

These students are no strangers to the hard work and determination it takes to survive in a biomedical career track. Over the last four years, they have been participating in a nationwide biomedical science program offered through Project Lead the Way, PLTW™.



These are highly capable students who have been engaged in an intense version of anatomy and physiology along with an aspect of inquiry and hands-on lab work. They have spent the last year learning about and designing possible solutions to some health care issues that we are faced with today. They have completed such projects as designing a new ER facility, completing an autopsy report, and developing an environmental health plan. To go along with their classroom learning, they have also had the opportunity to visit the St. Mary's ER facility and travel to Purdue North Central's cadaver lab.

These students are learning what it takes to survive in a rigorous and problem-solving based career field. With the biomedical field being one of the fastest-growing fields in the country, well-trained and motivated students will be a necessity.

## Emergency Rescue Technology Academy

The Emergency Rescue Technology Academy (ERTA) currently trains 50 students each year from the School City of Hobart and Porter County Vocational in Emergency Medical Technician and Mandatory Firefighter Certifications through a Partnership with St. Mary Medical Center (SMMC) and Vincennes University (Project Excel).

These students are able to utilize the resources of SMMC while completing clinicals in the Emergency Room. They are able to actively participate in 3 to 4 times as many clinicals as other EMT programs at no cost to the schools. The students perform their Ambulance Clinicals at Hobart Fire Department, South Haven Fire and EMS, and Lake Station EMS. The students average 4 times as many clinical hours as other EMT programs at no cost to the schools or providers. The ERTA students attend the Cadaver Lab at Purdue North Central, a unique experience to the program, that is priceless in the educational process. The ERTA students are trained for the Firefighter Mandatory Certification through a partnership with DHS District 1. This training is provided at no cost to the students or schools and allows the students to wear fire gear, Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and attend the training center in St. John, IN with instructors from throughout Northwest Indiana.

These students have broadened their perspectives by participation in class and seeing so many entities that partner together to help them succeed.



## THE JOB OUTLOOK FOR THE HEALTHCARE FIELD IS GROWING RAPIDLY

Occupation <small>(*Source: Hiring Needs in NWIndiana, Center of Workforce Innovation)</small>	Cumulative Annual Job Openings		
	1st Year	3rd Year	5th Year
Health Care Support Organizations	391	1,173	1,955
Health Care Practitioners & Technical Workers	829	2,487	4,145

# Community Partners and Spirit Grow in the Teaching Garden



John Luke/The Times



The Liberty students and staff were very excited to receive an American Heart Association Teaching Garden Grant. This grant, funded by a generous donation from St. Mary Medical Center, provided the materials and support to plant a vegetable garden at Liberty Elementary in May. A goal of this program is to teach students about gardening and healthy living. Many students have tried a limited amount of fresh vegetables and some think that vegetables only come in a can. Through participation in the Teaching Garden, the students can develop an understanding of how easy it can be to eat healthy fresh vegetables grown at home. Then the students can go home and inspire their families to also eat healthy and garden their own vegetables.

The Liberty students were involved in every step of their Teaching Garden. They built 7 raised bed planters and hauled 2 yards of planting soil to prepare for the planting day. On Planting Day there was a school-wide gardening kick-off and then the students went out to plant the garden. Johnson's Farms provided seedlings that helped the vegetables have a great start. Each grade level took turns planting, watering and adding worms to their designated planter. The students planted a variety of tomatoes, peppers, herbs, squashes, and other vegetables. At the end of Planting Day, each student took home a packet of seeds to plant at home as well. Several parents helped with the planning and the planting.

Over the summer, parent volunteers and staff members helped take care of the watering and weeding. When the students returned to school in August there were many vegetables ready to be harvested. Harvest Day was quickly planned. At Harvest Day the Liberty students watched a slideshow of Planting Day, thanked St. Mary Medical Center for their generous donation and then went outside to harvest the vegetables. After harvesting the vegetables, Liberty staff members and parent volunteers prepared the vegetables for cooking demonstrations. The staff demonstrated how to make Marinara Sauce, Grilled Vegetable Kabobs, Pepper Poppers and Pico de Gallo. The students were given samples to try and recipes to take home.

The Teaching Garden has done more for the Liberty students and staff than just teach about gardening and healthy eating, it has created a lot of school and community spirit. Next spring will be more exciting! See more on our web site under the Brickie Up tab!





# Community's Helping Hands Build Brickie Pride!



## Joan Martin School Playground Community Build



The School City of Hobart teamed up with the Joan Martin School PTO on Saturday, August 25th for an all day Playground Community Build. The PTO spent a great deal of time organizing volunteers and getting food donations for the day. Parents, Hobart School Board members, teachers, administrators, and members of the Hobart Girls Softball League all donated their time on that hot 95 degree day. Workers assembled the entire playground by the end of the day. It was a great example of Hobart pride and the community coming together for a great cause.



**Schools Team Up  
with the  
Hobart Food Pantry**

The Hobart Food Pantry celebrates 30 years of assisting families! Join our schools to keep the Hobart Food Pantry stocked! Key Club, Builders Club, Student Council, and JROTC are examples of students providing service to the community and helping the food pantry provide for others! Watch for food drives and encourage our youth to spend time at the Hobart Food Pantry sorting items and preparing for pickup. If you are a family in need, you may contact your school for textbook and meal assistance. In addition, the Food Pantry is located at the School City of Hobart's Service Center on 200 South Hobart Road. Phone 947-7779.

**Empower a child to persevere**



Each school year Hobart Kiwanis teams up with the School City of Hobart to sponsor Bring Up Grades (B.U.G.). This program encourages teachers to goal set with children each semester. If children reach their goal at the end of the nine weeks, Hobart Kiwanis presents students with a certificate and a B.U.G. pencil. All of the schools proudly display their B.U.G. banners that were provided by Hobart Kiwanis. The Hobart Kiwanis also provide dictionaries to Hobart students.



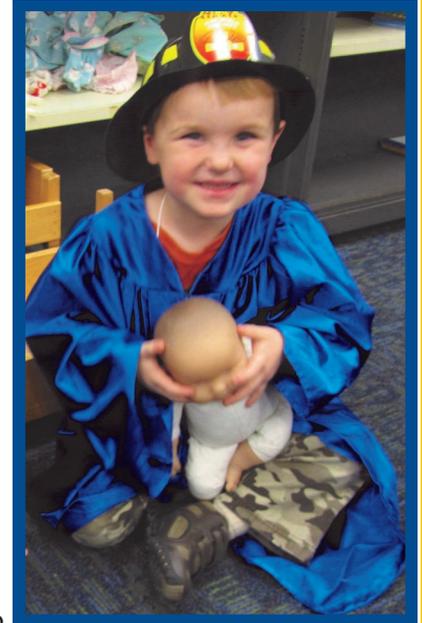


# Parents as Teachers for Birth to K At The Early Learning Center



Parents as Teachers  
Affiliate

The School City of Hobart's Parents as Teachers (PAT) focuses on our youngest Brickies before they start Kindergarten. PAT works with families to show parents how to bring out their child's greatest potential through monthly home visits using fun learning activities with materials found around the home. PAT hosts monthly playgroups, developmental screenings, parenting groups, and much more! PAT is free to all families within the School City of Hobart. PAT is funded fully by grants and donations, and relies heavily on the generous nature of the Hobart community and its supporting businesses and organizations, such as the Hobart Educational Foundation (HEF). Through HEF's generous support, PAT can continue to help strengthen Hobart families, conduct developmental, hearing, and vision screenings, identify possible delays or concerns and refer to proper agencies for intervention, and give information about community resources.



PAT is very thankful for the many supportive relationships that are so important to its success, including The Legacy Foundation for awarding a grant to fund PAT's Transition to Kindergarten class. The Legacy Foundation is committed to ensuring all kids grow up to be college and career ready, and PAT is thrilled to partner with them. Other great partners include generous support from the Dean and Barbara White Foundation, Main Source Bank and St. Mary Medical Center, as well as support from individual Hobart families and Brickie alumni. If you want more information about The School City of Hobart's Parents as Teachers, contact Parents as Teachers Coordinator, Laura Kovats, 219-942-7263 ext 8662 or via email to [Lkovats@hobart.k12.in.us](mailto:Lkovats@hobart.k12.in.us).

## Proud Supporters of The School City of Hobart's Parents as Teachers:

Hobart Education Foundation



Planting Seeds... Growing Dreams

United Way



Community Healthcare System®

ST. MARY Medical Center



Give. Lead. Make a Difference.

THE DEAN & BARBARA WHITE FAMILY  
FOUNDATION, INC.

### **Become a proud supporter of the School City of Hobart's Parents as Teachers today!**

Choose from our 3 convenient ways to make your tax deductible donation:

**Credit Card** - Donate using your major credit card through PayPal at <http://hobart.schoolwires.com/PAT>. Scroll to the middle of the page and click on the yellow oval labeled "Donate."

**Check** - Make your check payable to "The School City of Hobart" with "PAT" written in the memo line and mail to:

The School City of Hobart's Parents as Teachers, 400 N. Wilson Street, Hobart, IN 46342.

**Call** - Contact Parents as Teachers Coordinator, Laura Kovats, 219-942-7263 ext 8662, or via email at [Lkovats@hobart.k12.in.us](mailto:Lkovats@hobart.k12.in.us) to arrange your donation.

# Everyone Can Be a Mentor!

Mentors help children set goals, solve problems, and make good choices. A mentor never takes the place of a parent — a mentor simply provides a positive role model for the child. Mentors make a difference!

## How do Mentors Make an Important Difference in a Child's Life?

Research shows that young people with a positive mentor increase their chances of academic success, high school graduation and college attendance, as well as decrease the likelihood of substance abuse and other risky behaviors. There are various mentor programs in the School City of Hobart! Become a mentor or request one!

### New Student Mentor

Changing schools is not easy for any child. Being a new student can be difficult— but having a mentor from school to help along the way can make the transition easier. New students appreciate friendly assistance.

### Academic Mentor

Academic Mentors provide a positive example in attitude, serve as a counselor to the student, and ensures the student takes advantage of all resources available to help with the learning process.

### Secondary School Mentor

Students, especially teens, need a mentor to help them make decisions. This is a critical time in a teen's life and having an adult there to offer encouragement and support while planning for their future is priceless.

### Elementary School Mentor

Mentors provide elementary school children guidance. A caring adult mentor serves as a mature and experienced role-model and friend who supports and encourages success.



### Online Tutoring Mentor

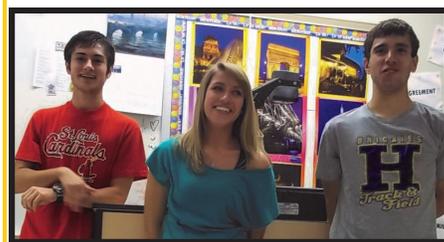
Students now have the opportunity to receive assistance FREE from an online mentor/tutor— Sal Khan from the Khan Academy.

Click Cool Tools on our web site or visit [www.Khanacademy.org](http://www.Khanacademy.org)



### Peer Mentor

Peer mentoring programs match students with other students in one-on-one relationships to provide support with academics and friendships.



COLLEGE INFORMATION		
<p>INDIANA UNIVERSITY BLOOMINGTON</p>		
<p>97% of incoming freshmen are ranked in the top half of their graduating class.</p>	<p><b>Admissions</b> IU rated the relative importance of these factors in their admission decisions. Very Important Academic GPA Class Rank Rigor of secondary school record</p>	<p>IU is considered <b>SOMEWHAT SELECTIVE</b> 72% of applicants are admitted.</p>
<p>Average First Year Financial Aid Package \$11,388</p>	<p>Standardized Test Scores (ACT /SAT)</p>	<p>Average Cost per year including housing \$22,999</p>
<p><b>AVERAGE ACT COMPOSITE 24-29</b> On average, 81% of incoming freshmen score in this range or above.</p>	<p><b>AVERAGE SAT SCORES</b> Critical Reading: 570 Math: 595 Writing: 565</p>	
<p>Total Undergraduate Students: 32,543 First-time degree-seeking freshmen: 7,257</p>	<p>72% Graduate within 6 years.</p>	<p>On average, 96% of incoming freshmen had a 3.0 GPA or higher in high school.</p>

## Build College and Career Ready Students!

Visit our web site ([www.hobart.k12.in.us](http://www.hobart.k12.in.us)) and click on the tab College/Careers. If you click on the College Admission Requirements page, you can see what it takes to go to college.

It is important to dialogue with children and youth on where they are right now in obtaining the goal of college and career ready. Are they on track to accomplish the goal?

### Become a mentor!

Have regular dialogue on college goals with your child and do progress monitoring by asking about current status in classes!

COLLEGE INFORMATION		
<p>PURDUE UNIVERSITY</p>		
<p>97% of incoming freshmen are ranked in the top half of their graduating class.</p>	<p><b>Admissions</b> Purdue rated the relative importance of these factors in their admission decisions. Very Important Rigor of secondary school record</p>	<p>Purdue is considered <b>SOMEWHAT SELECTIVE</b> 60% of applicants are admitted.</p>
<p>Average First Year Financial Aid Package \$11,411</p>	<p>Important Academic GPA Application Essay Standardized Test Scores</p>	<p>Average Cost per year including housing \$22,298</p>
<p><b>AVERAGE ACT COMPOSITE 24-30</b> In 2011, 76% of incoming freshmen scored in this range or above.</p>	<p><b>AVERAGE SAT SCORES</b> Critical Reading: 550 Math: 620 Writing: 555</p>	
<p>Total Undergraduate Students: 30,776 First-time degree-seeking freshmen: 6,684</p>	<p>69% Graduate within 6 years.</p>	<p>On average, 96% of incoming freshmen had a 3.0 GPA or higher in high school.</p>

### How to Become a Mentor With SCOH

1. Talk to the principal about being a mentor.
2. Fill out the Volunteer Application and return it to the school of your choice for mentoring. (This can be found online.)
3. Bring your government issued identification to be scanned.
4. Central Office will then run a criminal background check.
5. You will be informed of your status regarding your mentoring efforts.

### How to Get Your Child A Mentor

Goal setting, determination, hard work, persistence, and support from home and school is a great recipe for success! If you feel your child would benefit from having a mentor, please contact your child's school. The principal will be happy to set your child up with a mentor!

*A mentor is someone who allows you to see the hope inside yourself.*

# LEARN and GROW as a FAMILY

## College and Career Fair

**9th Grade-12th Grade Students and Parents**

**OCTOBER 23, 2012 6:00-7:30 p.m.**

**Hobart High School-Great Hall**

Representatives from colleges across the State of Indiana will be at Hobart High School to answer questions about their school. They will provide information on the application process and scholarships. **Brickie Up!** In addition, various trade schools for careers will be on hand for discussion and provide guidance for apprenticeship programs.



**COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS**

**AT HOBART MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Come and learn what the ACT Explore score sheets mean for students in helping them to make **SMART** Goals for the school year based on college readiness indicators.

**When:** November 7, 2012

**Where:** Hobart Middle School Caf 

**Time:** 6:00 p.m.

## Keeping Our Communities Safe!

### Internet Safety and Cyber Bullying:

### What Parents Need to Know

**NOVEMBER 14, 2012 @ 6:00 p.m.**

**Board Room in HHS-Door #1**

**Presented by: Ryan Holmes**

**U.S. District Attorney's Office**



This presentation will talk about all facets of the Internet from Chat rooms and social networking sites to smart phones and how all of these technologies, if abused, can lead to cyberbullying.



**November 29, 2012 @ 6:00 p.m.**

**Hobart High School Theatre**

**GET A GRIP!** is a 40 minute multi-media experience that will help students see the big picture for their lives - helping them understand that positive self-control leads to healthy relationships, academic success, and positive feelings about one's self and others. As parents and guardians, we can learn techniques for helping youth **"GET A GRIP!"**

## RETRO BILL

**OCTOBER 24, 2012**

**A special presentation for our 1st-5th graders will be held in the Middle School Auditorium.**

**Joan Martin - 10:00 a.m.**

**Liberty & Ridge View - 11:05 a.m.**

**Sponsored by the City of Hobart Police Department & D.A.R.E.**



Retro Bill's unique ability to drive home anti-drug, tobacco, alcohol and bullying messages utilizing sound effects, humor, props and visual demonstrations has proven itself to be a very effective way of getting children to remember these valuable, life-changing messages, while also being entertained along the way!

**Parents are invited to attend.**

1. RSVP by calling your school to let them know you are attending.
2. For security purposes, parents must enter through door #1 at Hobart Middle School.

## Google Apps and

**NOVEMBER 5, 2012**

**Board Room in HHS-Door #1**

**6:00 p.m.**

Join our Christopher King, the School City of Hobart's Director of Technology, to learn about free Internet tools such as Google Apps and begin "Cloud Computing." In addition, learn about The Khan Academy and FREE online tutoring by using your new Google Apps Account.



**Be Tech Smart! Stay Connected! Use the Cloud!**



**TOM HANKS**  
**THE POLAR EXPRESS**

**DECEMBER 1, 2012**

**Celebrate the Christmas Season with Our ANNUAL Holiday Sing Along & The Polar Express Movie**

**You must call 942-8885 extension 0 to reserve your tickets as seating is limited to 650.**

**Who:** Families (an adult must attend)

**Where:** Hobart High School Theatre Door 21

**Time:** 5:00 p.m. pictures with Santa/6:00 p.m. movie

**The movie is FREE.** Pictures with Santa and refreshments will be offered for a small fee.

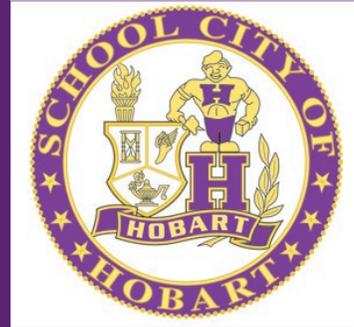




**LEGACY  
FOUNDATION**

LAKE COUNTY'S  
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

# Senior Citizens Beat!



The School City of Hobart (SCOH) invites senior citizens from the community of Hobart to join us for some entertainment, health, and educational events!

Entertainment events for Hobart's Senior Citizens are made possible by the generous support of the Maria M. Reiner Senior Citizens Trust, a fund of the Legacy Foundation, Lake County's Community Foundation and the students of SCOH.

## EDUCATION



The Brickie Cove Book Club, which consists of community senior citizens and HHS students, will meet every month from September through May on the 3rd Wednesday of the month from 2:45 pm-3:45 pm. See the complete schedule on our website at [http://www.hobart.k12.in.us/Community/Senior Citizen Corner](http://www.hobart.k12.in.us/Community/SeniorCitizenCorner).

To register call Alice Cope at 219-942-8521 extension 8028.

## ENTERTAINMENT

**Registration is required  
for the following performances.**

**Please call 219-947-7777.**

**November 18, 2012**-Theatrical Performance  
"Little Women"

2:00 pm hors d' oeuvres and 3:00 pm show

**December 18, 2012**-Holiday Choral Concert and  
Dinner Night 5:00 pm dinner and 6:00 pm concert

**February 21, 2013**-Midwinter Band Concert and  
Dessert Night featuring Concert and Jazz Bands  
5:00 pm desserts and 6:00 pm concert

**March 10, 2013**-Theatrical Performance  
Appetizers at 2:00 pm and Performance at 3:00 pm

**March 27, 2013**-Spring Choral Concert  
Appetizers at 5:00 pm and Concert at 6:00 pm

All programs are sponsored by the School City of Hobart in conjunction with the HHS Performing Arts Department, the HHS Emergency Rescue Technology Academy, the HHS Media Department, and the HHS Athletic Department. **Please join us for these FREE entertainment, health screening, and educational opportunities.**

## HEALTH

Blood Pressure Screening at HHS will be held every Wednesday from 8-10 a.m. when school is in session. Enter through door #1 and proceed to room 1403.

Starting October 15th....

Residents of Hobart are invited to take advantage of the track at the Hobart High School Frank Kurth Fieldhouse. Simply show your driver's license or state ID as proof of residency.

Monday-Thursday 6:00 a.m.-7:15 a.m. and  
5:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. when school is in session.  
Athletic competitions and inclement weather may force closing the fieldhouse. Please watch for signage.

Walk-ins welcome! No registration required.

## ATHLETIC EVENTS

Hobart's senior citizens may stop by the HHS Athletic Office-Door #18 for FREE season passes to any SCOH sports event.



**SCHOOL CITY OF HOBART**  
**32 East Seventh Street**  
**Hobart, Indiana 46342**  
**(219) 942-8885**  
**NEWSLETTER**

**NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION**  
**U.S. Postage**  
**PAID**  
**Hobart, IN**  
**Permit No. 113**

**Dr. Peggy Buffington, Ph.D.**  
 Superintendent  
**Mr. Ted Zembala**  
 Business Manager  
**Mrs. Deborah Matthys**  
 Director of Curriculum & Instruction  
**Mrs. Sara Gutierrez**  
 Director of Curriculum & Instruction  
**Mr. Felix Perry**  
 Director of Support Services  
**Mr. Brent Martinson**  
 Principal, Hobart High School  
**Mrs. Angela Patrick**  
 Assistant Principal, Hobart High School  
**Mr. Nicholas Petralia**  
 Assistant Principal, Hobart High School  
**Mrs. Carolie Warren**  
 Principal, Hobart Middle School  
**Mr. Tom Martin**  
 Assistant Principal, Hobart Middle School  
**Mrs. Misty Scheuneman**  
 Assistant Principal, Hobart Middle School  
**Mrs. Sharon Blaszkiewicz**  
 Assistant Principal M.S. Alternative School  
**Mrs. Amy Turley**  
 Principal, Early Learning Center @ G.E.  
**Mrs. Debra Misecko**  
 Principal, Liberty Elementary  
**Mrs. Kacey Allen**  
 Principal, Joan Martin Elementary  
**Mrs. Lori Anderson**  
 Assistant Principal, Joan Martin Elementary  
**Miss Lisa Wilkison**  
 Principal, Ridge View Elementary  
**Mr. Russell Mellon**  
 Director of Information Technology Services  
**Mr. Christopher King**  
 Director of Technology  
**Mrs. Vicky Johnson**  
 Transportation Coordinator  
**Mrs. Nancy Smith**  
 Food Service Director  
**Mr. Larry Juzwicki**  
 Director of School Safety  
**BOARD OF SCHOOL TRUSTEES**  
**Mr. Terry D. Butler**  
 President  
**Mrs. Karen J. Robbins**  
 Vice President  
**Mr. Michael J. Rogers**  
 Secretary  
**Mr. Dave Bigler**  
 Member  
**Mrs. Rikki Guthrie**  
 Member  
**Mr. Donald H. Rogers**  
 Member  
**Mr. Stuart B. Schultz**  
 Member

# POSTAL PATRON

## HOBART, INDIANA 46342

The School City of Hobart is an Exemplary (A) School District  
 **“Success for All Students”**

Published by:  
**Dr. Peggy Buffington**  
 &  
**Rachel Nicoloff**

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS!** 

<b>October 23</b> High School College and Career Fair 6 pm-7:30 pm HHS Great Hall See page 10.	<b>October 23</b> PAT Halloween Play group at the ELC 9:30 a.m. & 5:00 p.m.	<b>October 24</b> RETRO BILL! A special presentation for our 1st-5th graders will be held in the Middle School Auditorium. <b>Sponsored by the City of Hobart            Police Department &amp; D.A.R.E.</b> See page 10.	<b>October 30</b> PAT Chat at the ELC Parents Only 6:00 p.m.	<b>November 4</b> Daylight Savings Time Ends. Set your clocks back 1 hour.	
<b>November 5</b> GOOGLE Apps & Khan Academy HHS Board Rm. 6:00 pm See page 10.	<b>November 7</b> College & Career Readiness at Hobart Middle School Café 6:00 pm See page 10.	<b>November 7</b> "Helping Kids in High Ability Soar" 6:00 pm-7:30 pm To RSVP & for more information, please call Sherry Finnerty at 947-7869 ext. 8704	<b>November 8</b> Middle School Beginning Band Concert 7:00 pm MS Auditorium	<b>November 14</b> Liberty-1st Gr Grandparent's Day -1:30 pm Evening Performance 6:30 pm	<b>November 14</b> Internet Safety Cyber Bullying: What Parents Need to Know 6:00 p.m. HHS Board Room See page 10.
<b>November 14</b> Middle School Choral Concert 7:00 pm MS Auditorium	<b>November 15</b> Liberty-2nd Gr Grandparent's Day -1:30 pm Evening Performance 6:30 pm	HHS Theatrical Performance <b>Little Women</b> Nov 15, 16, & 17 7:30 pm Nov 18-3:00 pm	<b>November 18th</b> Senior Citizen Theatrical Performance See page 11.	<b>November 29</b> GET A GRIP 6:00 pm Hobart High School Theatre Parent/Student Workshop See page 10.	<b>Ridge View            Grandparent's            Day-1:30 pm</b> Dec 3-5th Gr Dec 4-1st Gr Dec 5-2nd Gr Dec 6-3rd Gr Dec 7-4th Gr
<b>December 1</b> Our Annual Holiday Sing Along and Polar Express Movie See page 10.	<b>December 10,            11, 12, 13, 14</b> Early Learning Center Grandparent's Breakfast w/Santa	<b>December 13</b> High School & Middle School Band Concert 7:00 pm MS Auditorium	<b>December 18</b> Senior Citizen Holiday Choral Concert See page 11.	<b>December 19</b> High School Choral Holiday Concert 7:00 pm HS Auditorium	<b>February 21</b> Senior Citizen Midwinter Band Concert See page 11.

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.

Annual notices can be found on our website under the Information tab. Contact your school for more information.

School City of Hobart website: [www.hobart.k12.in.us](http://www.hobart.k12.in.us)