



# SCHOOL CITY OF HOBART

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*"Building College and Career Ready Brickies"*

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The School City of Hobart is happy to announce the adoption of an innovative mobile device app and website entitled Here Comes the Bus®.

Here Comes the Bus 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 school 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.

Here Comes the Bus will show you your child's officially assigned bus stop. **Please make sure your child uses the correct, assigned bus stop each day to ensure their safety and the accuracy of our tracking system.** Thank you for your help in this matter!

**With Here Comes the Bus, your child will use their student ID card (Bus Pass – their code is their lunch ID number) or the Here Comes the Bus app on their smartphone to scan as they board or exit the bus, or the bus driver may log them in if they forget the Bus Pass or do not have the app on their phone. Students will receive their card (Bus Pass) at school. This gives us AND you the comfort of knowing your child got on the right bus and off at the right stop.**

Simply download the *Here Comes the Bus* app, create a secure account, add your students and you're all set!

What will you see with *Here Comes the Bus*?

- Real-time location of your child's bus on a map
- Scheduled and actual bus arrival times at home and school
- Confirmation that your child's bus has arrived at the bus stop, at school or both
- Your child's scan data including bus number, time and location of scan
- Push notification\* and email alert when:
  - Bus has entered the radius around the home stop
  - Bus has been substituted
  - Your child scans on and off the bus, including bus number, time and location

Available in three languages (English, Spanish and French), the Here Comes the Bus app can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.

To sign up or to learn more about Here Comes the Bus, visit <http://www.herecomesthebus.com> or visit the School City of Hobart website at <http://www.hobart.k12.in.us> for the Cool Tool Here Comes the Bus.

Should you have any questions, please contact Lisa Wilkison, Director of Transportation, via email at [lwilkison@hobart.k12.in.us](mailto:lwilkison@hobart.k12.in.us) or by phone at 947-2413, Ext. 8956.

If you need to contact Here Comes the Bus' customer support ([hctb@synoviasolutions.com](mailto:hctb@synoviasolutions.com)), please provide the following information:

- Your name
- School Code: 46342
- Email address used for your Here Comes the Bus account
- Best number to reach you
- Your child's last name and student ID #
- Description of the problem

Sincerely,

Peggy Buffington, Ph.D.,  
Superintendent of Schools

Lisa L. Wilkison,  
Director of Transportation

Christopher King,  
Director of Technology

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.






## ***Here Comes the Bus®***

Now available to parents of School City of Hobart students

- View the real-time location of your child's bus
- Know when and where your child boards or exits the bus
- Access the app from your smartphone, tablet or computer
- Receive push notifications and/or email alerts
- Right bus. Right stop. Right time.

### **How to get started:**

1. Download the *Here Comes the Bus* app\* or visit [herecomesthebus.com](http://herecomesthebus.com)
2. Click the  button
3. Enter school code (46342) and click "Next" followed by "Confirm"
4. Complete the "User Profile" box
5. Under "My Students," click "Add." Enter your child's last name and student ID number - **(which is their lunch ID number)**
6. Once you confirm your information, you're ready to begin using *Here Comes the Bus!* We will issue a Bus Pass or a Smart Phone App can be used for entering and leaving the bus.

\*Available at the App Store and Google Play

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