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"Building College and Career Ready Brickies"

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Children with



- are 3X more likely to attend college
- are 4X more likely to graduate from college

Dear Fellow Brickie,

How impressive would it be if we could state that School City of Hobart students are four times more likely to attend college than other students their age? That possibility is moving toward reality thanks to an exciting new endeavor called the Hobart Indiana Promise, a collaborative community initiative designed to benefit local youth by encouraging their future education and backing it with a college savings account.

As a member of the Hobart Community, help us start a 529 College Savings account for our Kindergarten and 5th grade students. Become a Promise Partner today!

Parents of kindergarten and fifth-grade students in the School City of Hobart will have the opportunity to set up a College Choice 529 Savings Plan during our **Free 529 College Savings Kickoff**. There is no cost to the parent and the traditional fee for opening an account has been waived. Best of all, Legacy Foundation has committed to giving one grade level set of students their first \$25 when they register for the program – **IF our Promise Partners will also sponsor one grade level.**

This November, the fifth-grade students will have the opportunity to visit Purdue University Northwest and experience college firsthand during a fun-filled field trip designed to boost their educational dreams. In addition, the students will be encouraged to raise money by finding "champions" – neighbors, relatives and friends -- who will support that youngster with a gift of \$5.29 for their college savings account.

This is where we need your help! Will you help us raise the money needed for the local one-to-one match? We simply believe it is the best investment we, as a community will ever make. The Legacy Foundation has committed to giving one grade level set of students their first \$25 when they register for the program – **IF our Promise Partners will also sponsor one grade level.**

While the money is important (studies show that a child with a college savings account is four times more likely to graduate from college) the bigger picture is about igniting a passion for education in Hobart youth. By planting the seed early and sharing the message that education is the key to launching career dreams, we are signifying that the School City of Hobart believes in our youth.



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Enclosed, please find a fact sheet that may answer questions you might have about the Hobart Indiana Promise. **Visit hobart.schoolwires.com/promise to view our Hobart Indiana Promise video! Join us at our Free 529 College Savings Kickoff events at our elementary schools!** We hope that you will help us raise the bar and set new goals for educational attainment in Hobart.

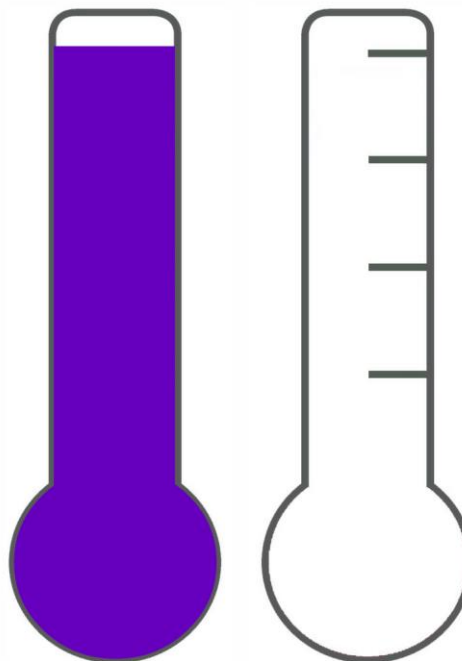
You can donate funds by completing the attached pledge form and mailing it in the enclosed envelope. Thank you for believing and investing in the future of the youth of Hobart.

Sincerely,

Dr. Peggy Buffington
Superintendent of Schools

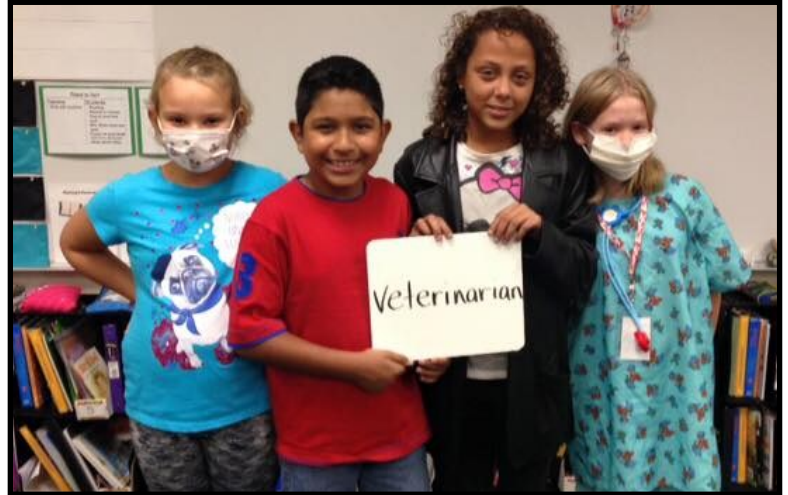
Become a
Promise Partner
Today

LEGACY FOUNDATION	PROMISE PARTNERS
\$7,000 Goal Reached!	GOAL: \$7,000



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Help support **HOBART INDIANA PROMISE**



We're making a PROMISE to the students in the School City of Hobart.

It's a promise to support their dreams for the future.

HOBART INDIANA PROMISE is a collaborative community initiative designed to benefit our Brickies by encouraging their future education and backing it with a college savings account. Children with a savings account for education are 3 times more likely to go to college than those without one.

Help us prepare more families in the School City of Hobart to save for college, trade school, or certification with a CollegeChoice 529 Savings account. Raising the bar for the future of Hobart is becoming a reality, but **we need your help.**

Become a Promise Partner!

By joining with the School City of Hobart as a Promise Partner, your monetary commitment will allow us to invest \$25 to every Kindergartener and 5th grader who enrolls in a CollegeChoice 529 Savings account. These students will fundraise for additional funds to deposit into their 529 account.

By planting the seed early and sharing the message that education is the key to launching career dreams, we are signifying that we believe in our youth. Join us today!



**Become a Promise Partner
today to turn college into a
reality for our Brickies!**



We would love to answer any questions that you might have about Hobart Indiana Promise. Please call us at 219-942-8885 or visit hobart.schoolwires.com/promise for more information.

BE A PROUD PROMISE PARTNER

HOBART INDIANA PROMISE



HELP US
REACH
OUR GOAL:
\$7,000

YES! I am committed to supporting
the future of our Brickies.

I am proud to be a Promise Partner for
the 2016-2017 school year with a
contribution of:

\$1,000

\$500

Other Amount: _____

\$250

\$100



Questions? Please call 942-8885 or visit hobart.schoolwires.com/promise.

THANK YOU for your support!

Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

THANK YOU!

Please make checks
payable to School
City of Hobart



FREE COLLEGE SAVINGS KICKOFF

for Kindergarteners and 5th Graders

DON'T MISS!

Joan Martin	October 10th	4-7pm
Liberty	October 11th	4-7pm
Ridge View	October 12th	4-7pm
ELC	October 14th	4-7pm

Join us on the hour at 4:00, 5:00, & 6:00 for informative presentations on CollegeChoice 529 Savings Plans!

FREE MONEY FOR COLLEGE!

- Students raise money to match a donation through fundraising
- Our Promise Partners will match \$25 in the CollegeChoice 529 Savings Account
- Learn about friends and family sponsoring a champion for \$5.29

Our Brickies deserve a college savings account!

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are 4X more likely to graduate from college



Dave Bigler
Mathew & Danielle
Mckee
Don & Jackie Rogers

WHAT TO BRING TO THE FREE 529 COLLEGE SAVINGS KICKOFF

What to Know About Our FREE 529 College Savings Kickoff



BRING SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS FOR STUDENT AND PARENT

Successful enrollment will require SSNs for both student and parent.



REGISTRATION WILL ONLY TAKE A FEW MINUTES

Knowledgeable staff will be on hand to assist you with any questions.



FREE \$25 WHEN YOU REGISTER AT OUR 529 COLLEGE SAVINGS KICKOFF

Open a CollegeChoice 529 Savings Account for your student and our partners will deposit \$25 into account.



LEARN ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES TO EARN MORE MONEY FOR YOUR STUDENT'S 529 ACCOUNT

Your student can earn money for their CollegeChoice 529 Savings Account through fundraising with our community partners.

Learn more at hobart.schoolwires.com/promise