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"Building College and Career Ready Brickies"

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Dear Brickie Families,

July 2, 2020

On Thursday, July 2, 2020, the School City of Hobart Board of School Trustees approved the 2020-2021 School Reentry Plan. This unprecedented time calls for reasonable choices for parents/guardians to review and then decide which plan is best for their family—A. Children return to the regular school schedule with enhanced safety measures or B. Remain at home and receive instruction through E-Learning following the regular school day schedule. Please see below on how to make your choice.

We believe with these two very distinct options, elements of each will not be what some families were hoping for in making their decision about the upcoming school year. That is understandable. Some people will want greater restrictions, while others will hope for schools to return exactly the way they were on our last in-person student day on March 13th. For those considering the E-Learning option, some will have a desire for full-time instruction in every subject every day, yet others will expect instruction in only a few subjects. For some people, neither plan will be a perfect match to their expectations. Please review the plan to understand the options.

With safety as our top priority for the physical return of students to school, we sought and received guidance for our plan from the State and Lake County Boards of Health. We are here and ready to Return to Learn! We know the in-person instructional program we provide is one of Indiana's best. The E-Learning version, and preparations for a potential second wave, fully take into consideration all that we learned in the spring and the additional professional development we did during the month of May. We worked hard learning additional technology tools to allow us to deliver direct instruction and accelerate rigorous curriculum.

Please view the full Protect Brickies Plan on our website: www.hobart.k12.in.us/protectbrickies. We realize you will want to study the plan, but it is long. However, we have a condensed version called The Parent Guide you can view on our website as listed above as well as The "Top Ten Protect Brickies" concepts that would be great for your fridge! These are the easiest ways to look at critical parts of the plan, and they are attached. \*\*\*Plans are subject to change based on guidance from state and local authorities.

Our hope is that one of these two options match or come close to aligning with your expectations, and you can use the information provided to make an informed decision for your family. Please complete the School Reentry Choice Response Google Form to indicate your decision by July 10th so we can begin preparations. You can access it at the Protect Brickies website: www.hobart.k12.in.us/protectbrickies. OR Click the link now: www.hobart.k12.in.us/SchoolReentryChoice

Online Registration is now available! If you are a current School City of Hobart family, please login to Skyward www.hobart.k12.in.us/skyward and click on the "Online Enroll/Register" button. If you are new to the district, please visit www.hobart.k12.in.us/register, to create a Skyward account and complete registration.

Sincerely,

Peggy Buffington, Ph.D. Superintendent of Schools School City of Hobart

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