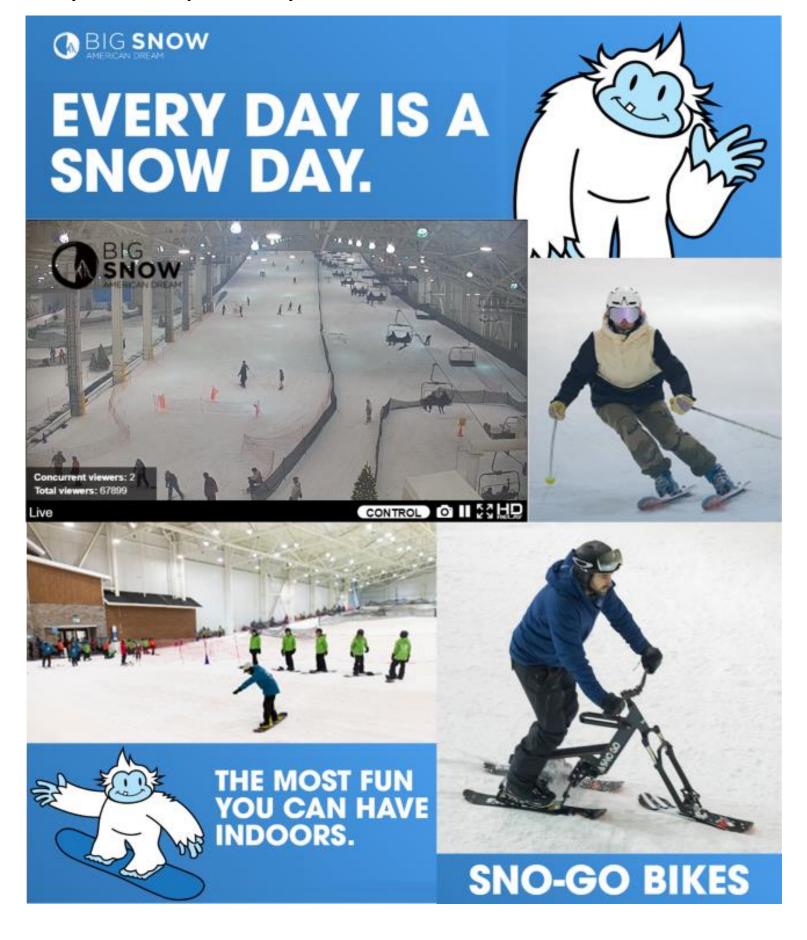
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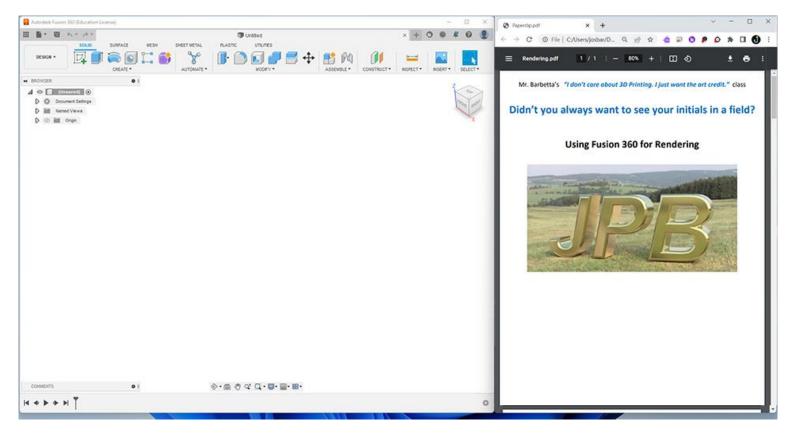


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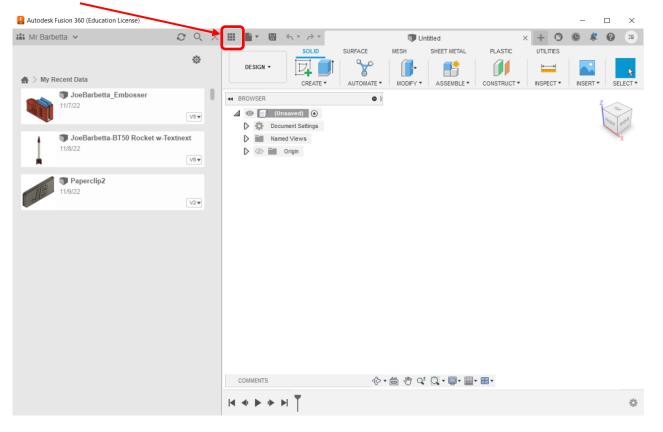


### **Using This Document**

The best way to follow this document is to **reduce the width of the Fusion 360 window** and have this pdf document open in Chrome browser as shown below. This document can be **downloaded from Schoology and then dragged into Chrome** and scaled down to 80%.

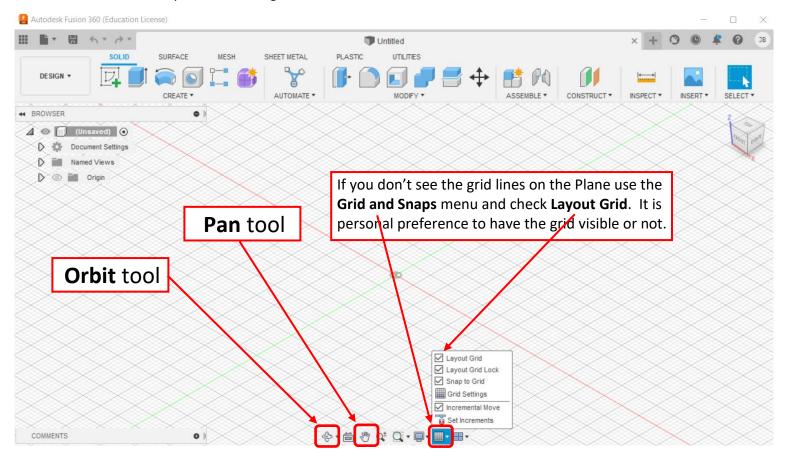


The Fusion 360 window will not allow its width to be reduced much so for smaller computer screens a trick is to click on the **Data Panel icon** and then move the window to the left with the Data Panel off the screen.



### Changing the View of a Design

- if you don't see a grid in the Fusion 360 window, as shown below, click on **Grid and Snaps** and check **Layout Grid**. Displaying the *Layout Grid* is a matter of preference. When designing for 3D printing, it can be used to represent the *build plate*.
- click on the **Orbit** tool and click somewhere on the **Grid** to practice rotating and changing the angle of the view.
- click on the **Pan** tool and then on the **Grid** to practice moving the view laterally.
- after using the *Orbit* or *Pan* tool one must press the **Esc key** to exit that mode.
- use the **Mouse Wheel** to practice Zooming in and out.



Here is a close-up of the View Cube at the top right of the window.

- click on the View Cube and move the cube while holding the mouse button down. This is another way to rotate the view.
- click on the Top of the View Cube and note how the view just jumped to a Top View.

The View Cube now resembles that on the right.

- click on the Curved Arrows at the upper right of the View Cube and practice Rotating the View.
- click on the Arrows at the sides of the View Cube to practice jumping to various Views.
- click on the Home icon to the upper left of the View Cube. This can always be used to reset the view to the Home View





## Starting a Design in Fusion (START HERE)

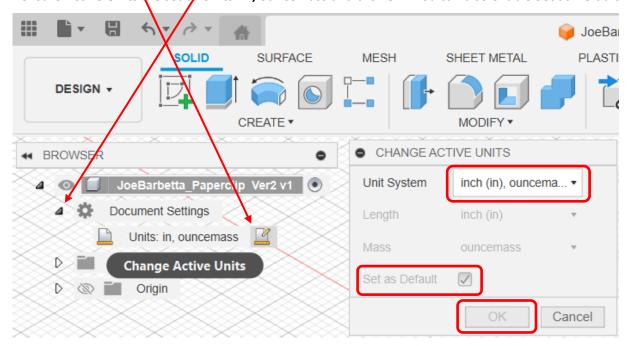
- open **Fusion**. If there is no icon on the Desktop, use the Windows search (magnifying glass icon) and type **fusion**
- from top **File** icon select **Save** and name the file.

  Use your name followed by **\_RingyThingy** e.g. **JoeBarbetta\_RingyThingy** (note the use of the underscore)

Note that by default Fusion saves your project to "the cloud", which are the servers managed by AutoDesk. When you log into Fusion on a different computer, your projects will be available.

As you work you may want to occasionally save your work in case Fusion crashes or we lose power.

- in the left "BROWSER" click the arrow next to Document Settings
- click on the edit icon that appears to the right when you hover over Units
- ensure Active Units are set to Units: in, ouncemass and click OK. You can also enable Set as Default if it is not grayed out.



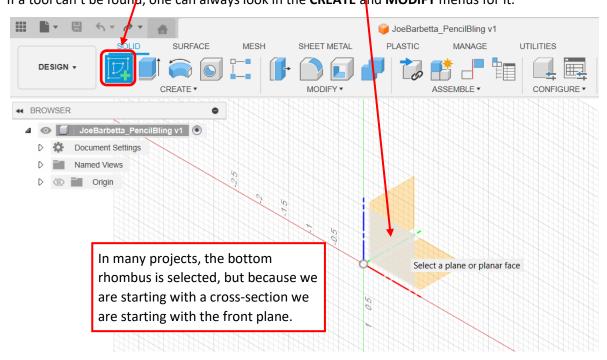
Note that the default units are in mm, which we just changed to inches.

Did you know that the default units have changed over the years? The earliest version used cubits as the default unit.

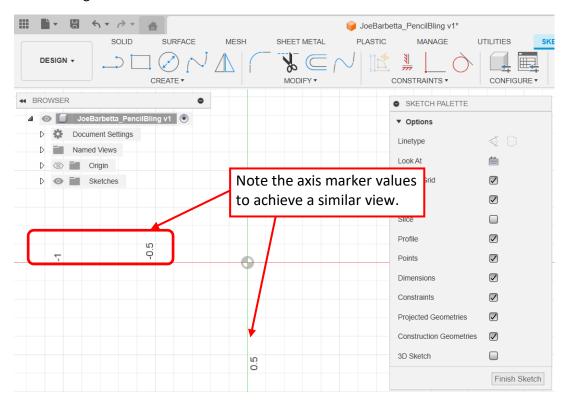
## **Creating the First Sketch**

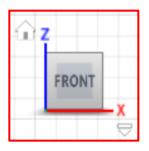
Note that a Fusion expert may tell you to create a Component first. Just say "Dude. I'm just making some pencil bling."

- select the top **Create Sketch** tool and click on the **front rhombus** to select the X-Z Plane. If a tool can't be found, one can always look in the **CREATE** and **MODIFY** menus for it.



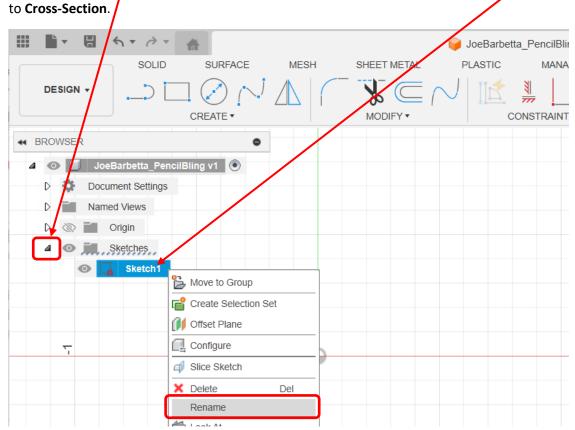
- zoom in as shown below. The scale labels can give an idea of how far one is zoomed in. The **View Cube** should indicate you are sketching on the **Front X-Z Plane**.





Whenever a new Sketch is created, it should be named.

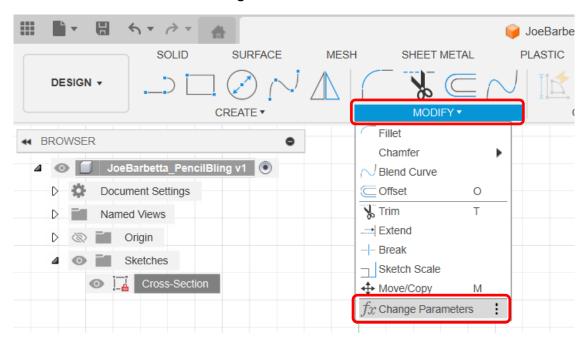
- click on the **arrow** to open the Sketches folder, **right-click** on the default name **Sketch1** and select **Rename**. Change the name



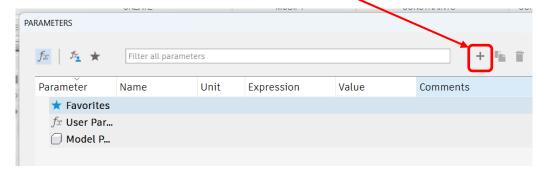
#### **Parametric Modelling**

"Parametric Modelling" is a powerful feature, wherein variables can be created, which can then be used for dimensions. One can later change values using this window to make adjustments to a design. We will set a parameter for the Hole Diameter to make it easier to adjust the hole diameter to best fit on a pencil.

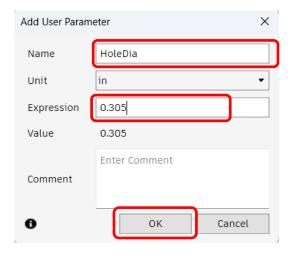
- from the MODIFY menu select Change Parameters



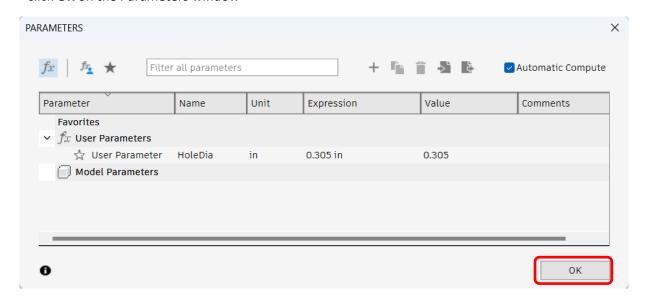
- in the **PARAMETERS** window that just opened, click + lf a window about **Parameteric Text** pops up click its **OK** button.



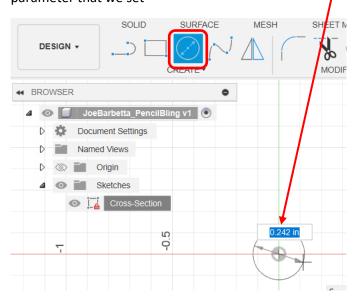
- In the pop-up window set the Name to **Hole** and Expression to **0.305**. Make sure that the Unit is **in** for inches and click **OK**.



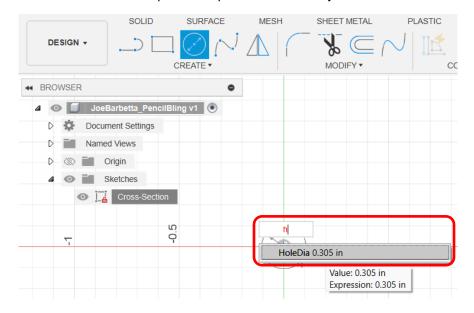
- click **OK** on the Parameters window



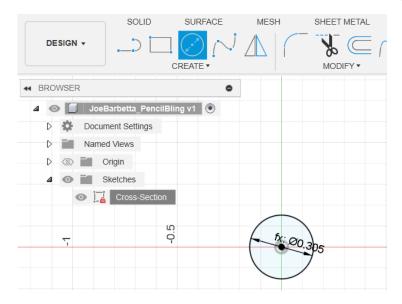
- select the **Center Diameter Circle** tool, click on the **origin**, entend the circle out, and type **h**, which is the first letter of the parameter that we set



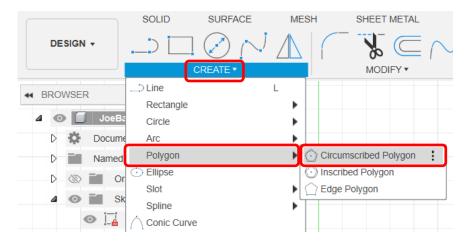
- click on the HoleDia option and press the enter key



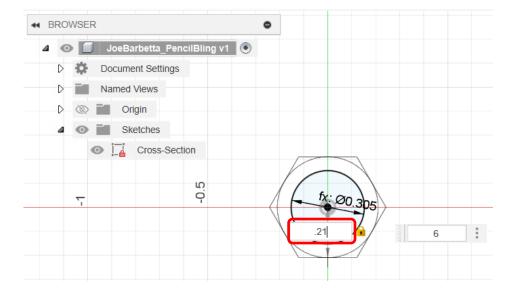
The circle should look like this. The dimension line (with the arrows and value may look different). It is indicating the diameter of the circle. Later on one can use the Parameters window to adjust this value.



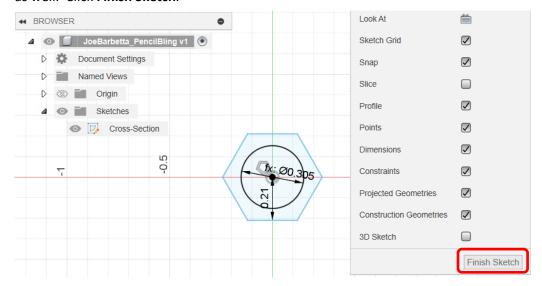
- from the CREATE menu select Polygon and Circumscribed Polygon



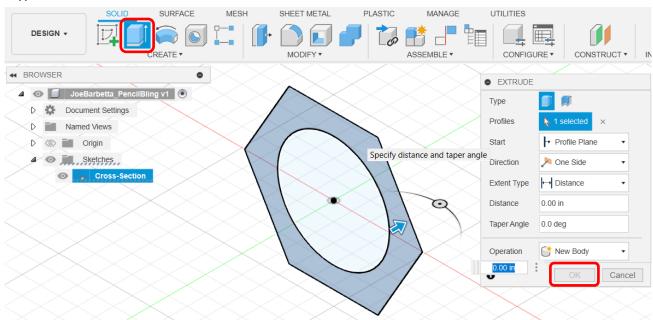
- click on the origin, move the mouse down, type 0.21, and press the Enter key



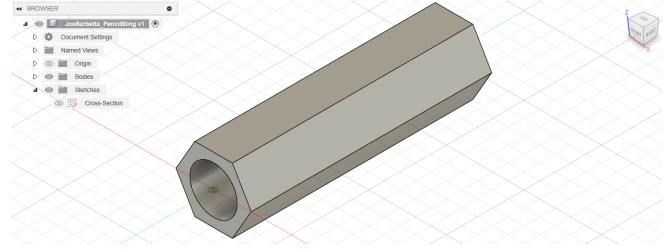
The hexagon should look like that below. As with the circle dimension line the dimension line showing 0.21 may look different as well. Click **Finish Sketch**.



- click on the Home icon at the View Cube
- select the Extrude tool and click on the region between the circle and the hexagon
- type 1.55 and click OK



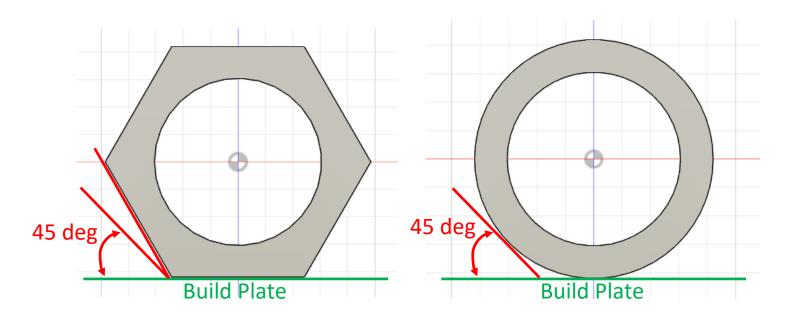
- click on the Home icon at the View Cube again the the "tube" should look similar to that below



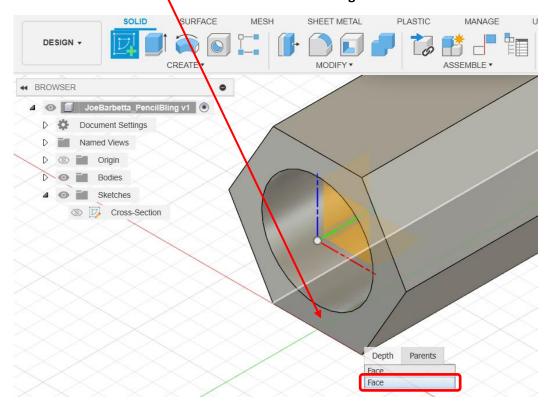
This is Not an instruction step, but explains the tube shape used.

The use of a hexagon shape ensures that the angle at the build plate is greater that 45 degrees. If a circle were used there would be sections at the build plate where the angle will be less that 45 degrees, which would violate the 45 degree rule.

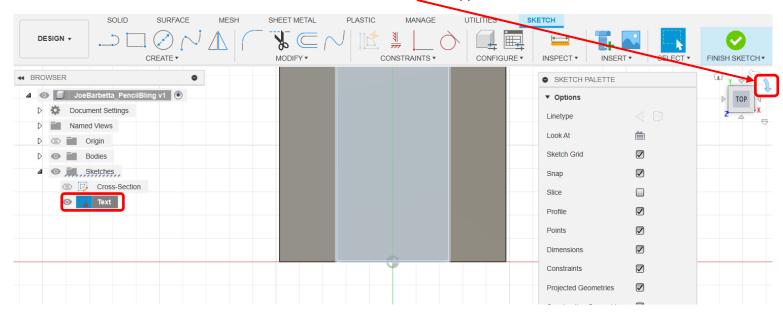
One could argue that the top walls of the inner circle violate the **45 degree rule**. This is true, however, this "bridge" spans a small distance and the distortion will be negligable.



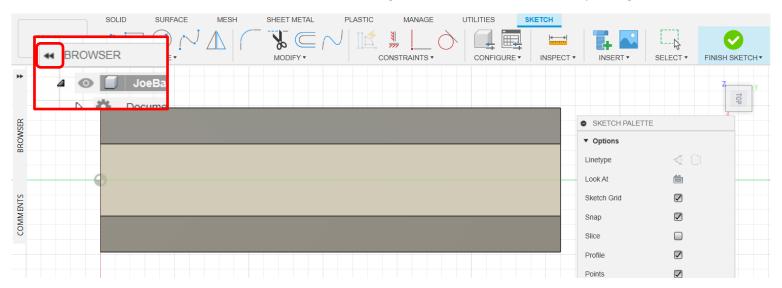
- use the Mouse wheel to Zoom into the end as shown
- select the Create Sketch tool
- click on the lower region between the circle and the hexagon and hold the mouse button down until a list of faces shows.
- select the face that causes the bottom surface to change color



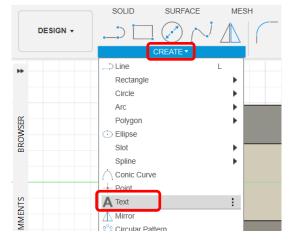
- right-click on the new sketch and select **Rename** to set it name to **Text**
- move the mouse over the View Cube and click on the rotate arrow that appears



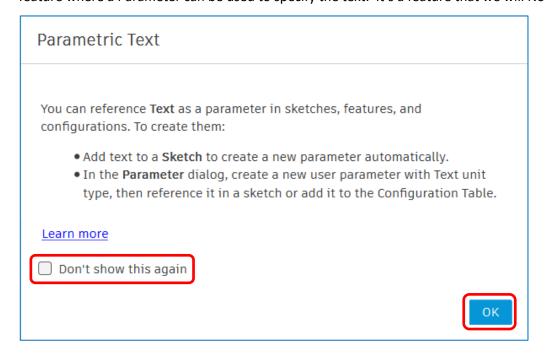
- click on the **left pointing arrows** next to BROWSER to hide this section. It can later be reopened using these arrows.
- Zoom and Pan to achieve a view similar to that below. Holding the Mouse Wheel down allows panning.



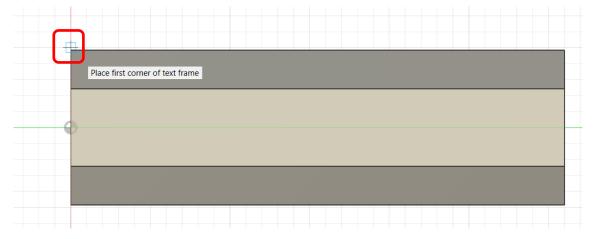
- from the CREATE menu select the Text tool



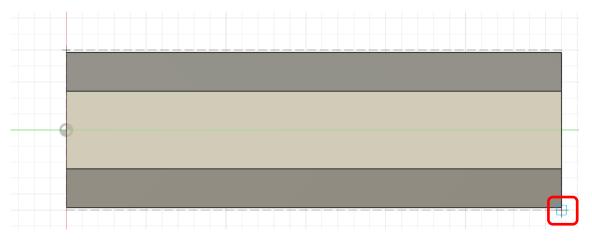
- if this window like this pops up **check the Don't show this again** check box and then click **OK**. It essentially announces a new feature where a Parameter can be used to specify the text. It's a feature that we will Not be using.



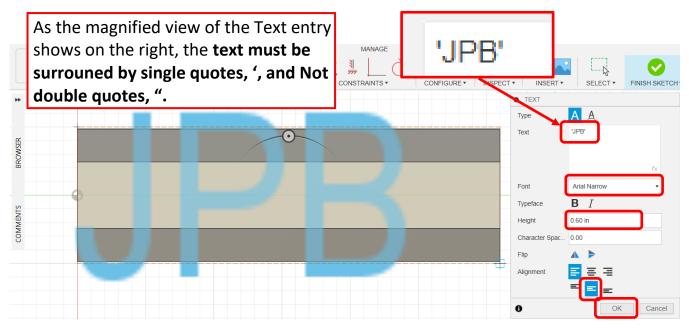
- click at the point shown below to start the text frame rectangle



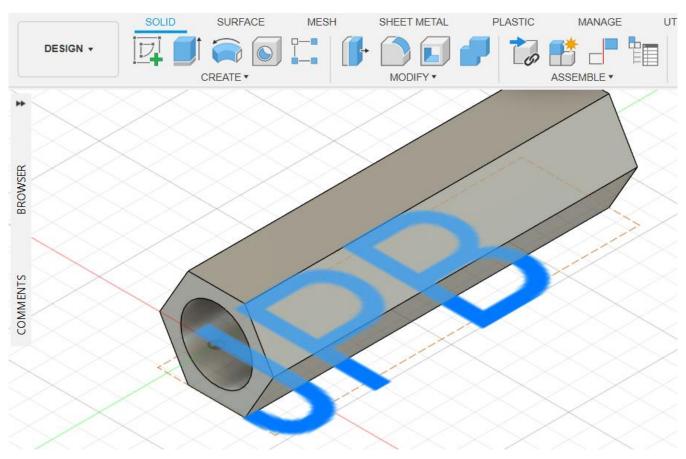
- click at the lower right point to finish creating the text frame



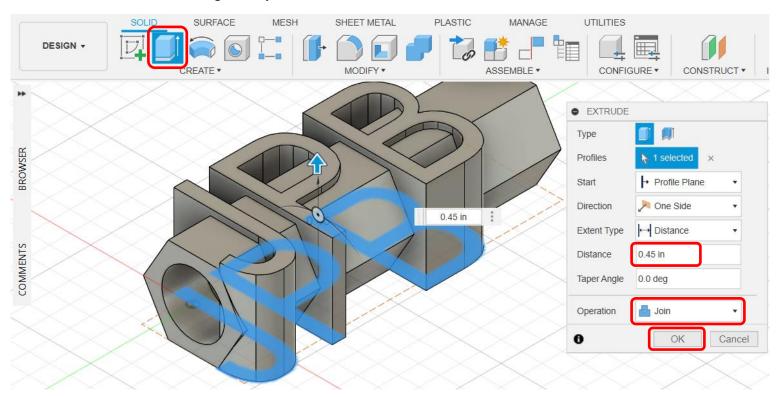
- enter your three initials in the Text box
- set the Font to Arial Narrow
- set the **Height** to **0.60**. There should be some space between the last letter and end of the tube. If there is less than that shown reduce the text height.
- click on the lower middle Alignment option
- click OK when done and then Finish Sketch



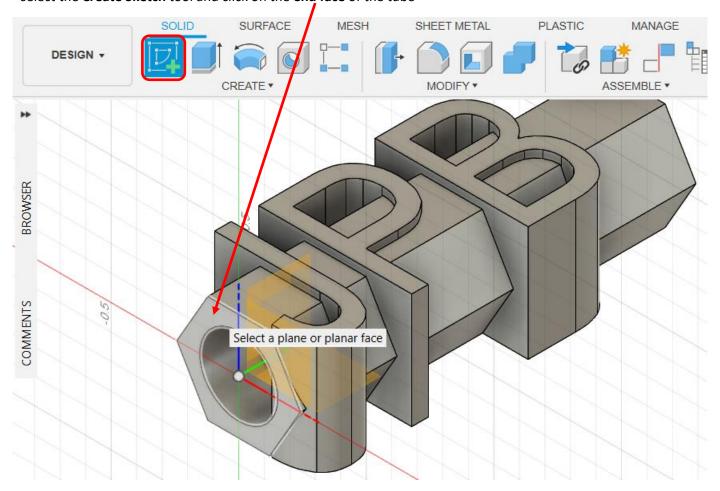
- use the Home icon at the View Cube and adjust the view similar to that below
- click on a letter, which will cause it to turn dark blue



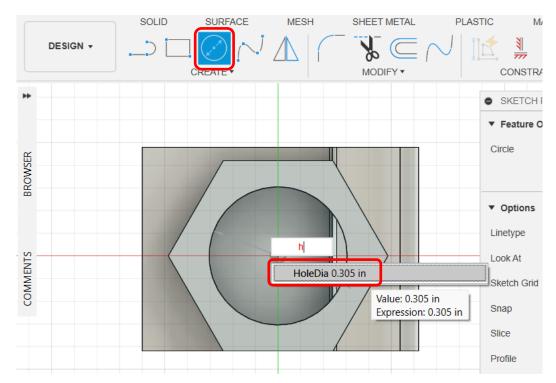
- select the **Extrude** tool
- for **Distance** enter **0.45** and change the **Operation** to **Join** and click **OK**



- select the Create Sketch tool and click on the end face of the tube

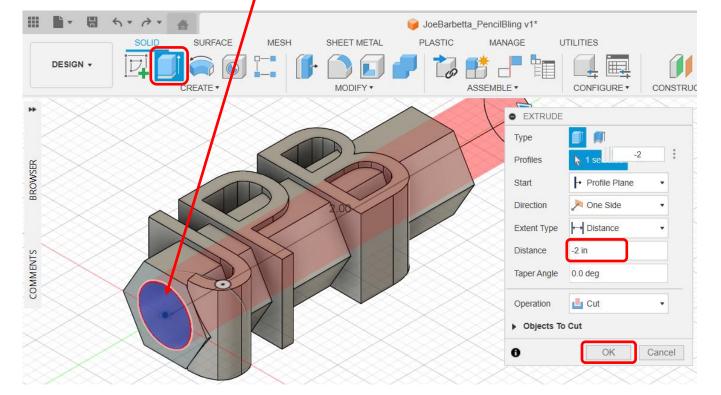


- as you notice that you can no longer see through the tube yell **"What the sigma! How will this go on a pencil?"** When the letters were extruded they ended up adding material in the hole. Perhaps we could have waited to make that inner hole, but we will just do it again.
- select the Circle tool, type h, and select HoleDia option, and press the Enter key
- click Finish Sketch

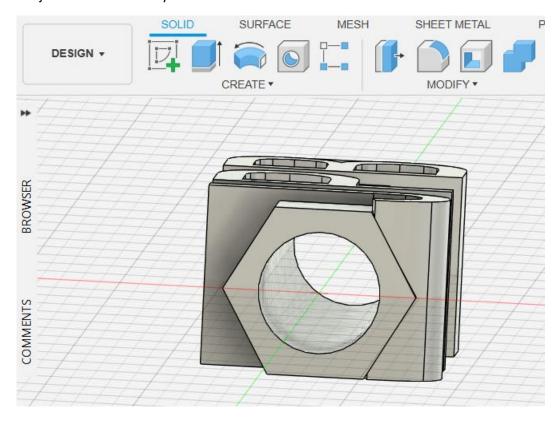


- return to the Home view
- select the Extrude tool, click on the end circle, enter -1.5 (note the minus sign) and click OK

Note that we used -2 instead of -1.55 (the extrude value we used earlier). It doesn't matter. As long as it is longer it will complete the hole.



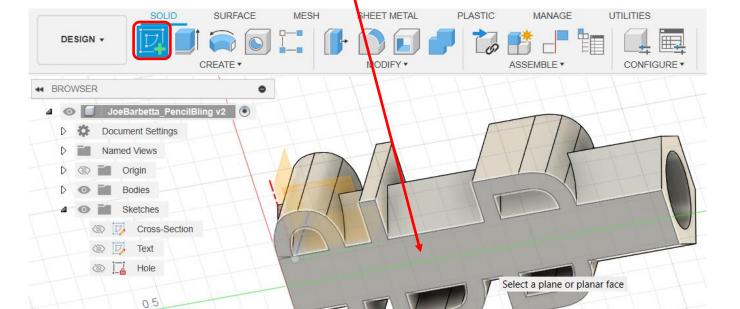
- adjust the view to verify that there is a continuous hole



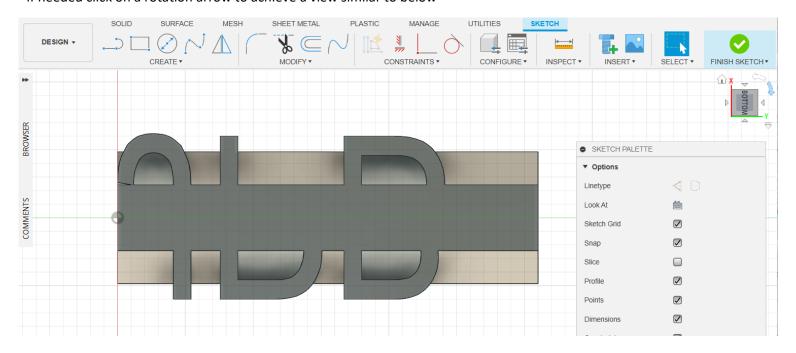
#### **Brim Block**

Extra material will be added for a brim block.

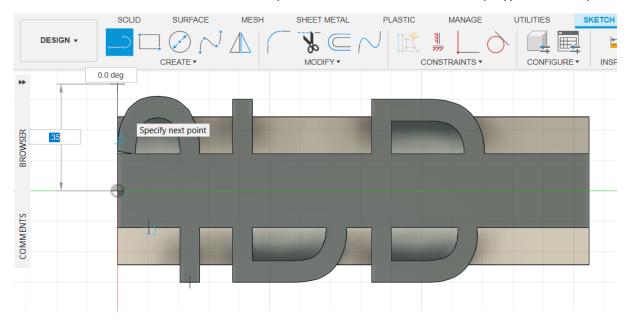
- adjust the view to access the bottom of the pencil bling body - select the **Create Sketch** tool and click on the **bottom surface** 

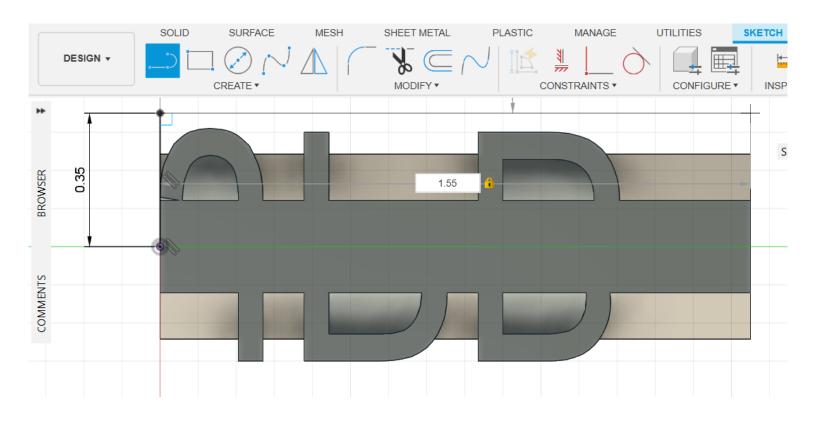


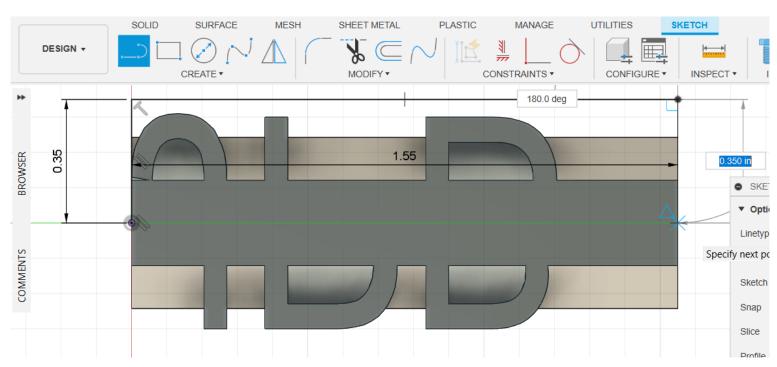
- if needed click on a rotation arrow to achieve a view similar to below

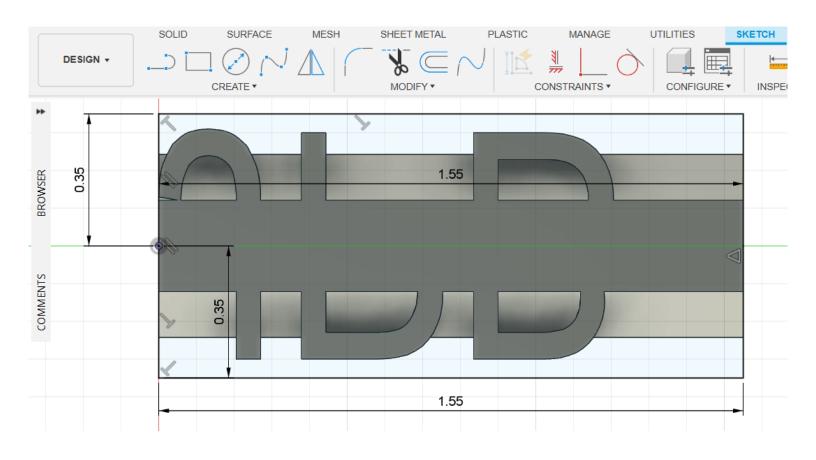


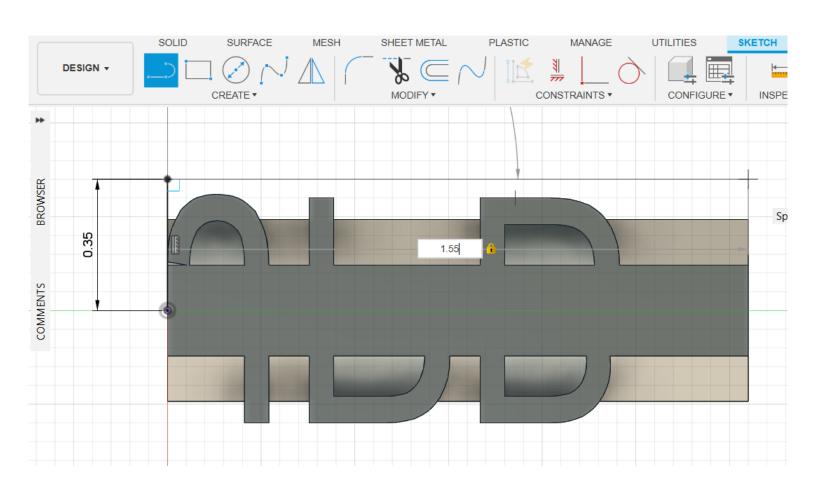
- select the Line tool and click on the center point of one end, extend the line up, type 0.35, and press the Enter Key



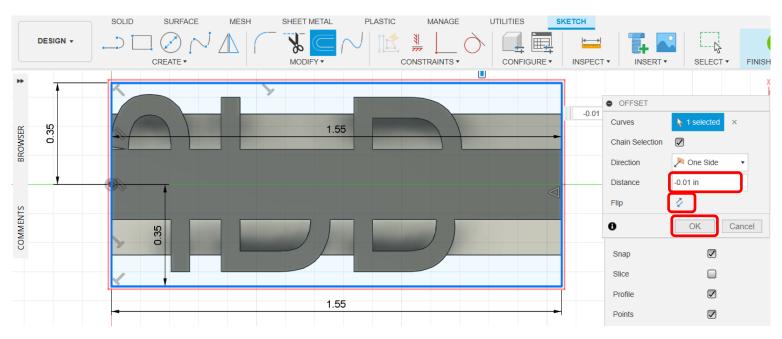




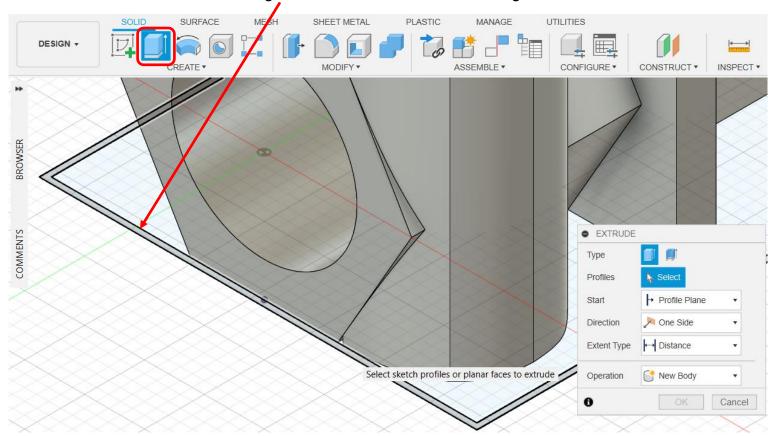




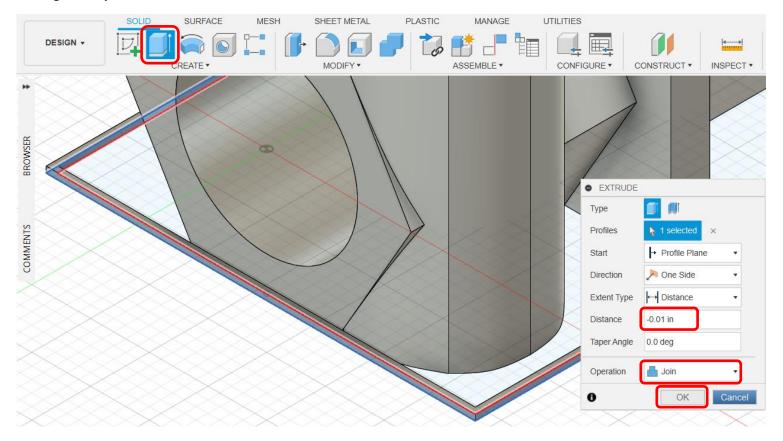
- select the Offset tool. If it cannot be seen, select it from the MODIFY menu
- click on the rectangle just created and type **0.01**
- if the new red rectangle is inside the blue rectangle, click on the **Flip** icon to cause the red reactangle to be outside the blue
- click OK and then click Finish Sketch



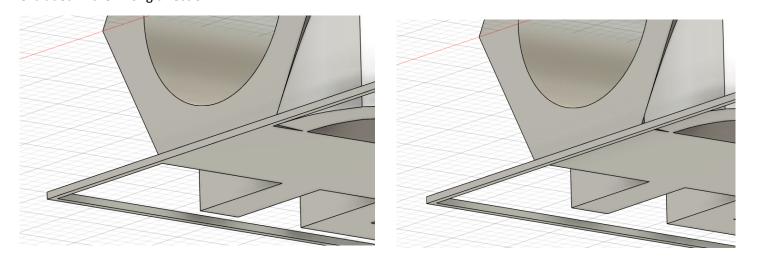
- return to the **Home** view and Zoom into the end to achieve a view similar to this
- select the Extrude tool and click on the region between the inner and outer rectangle



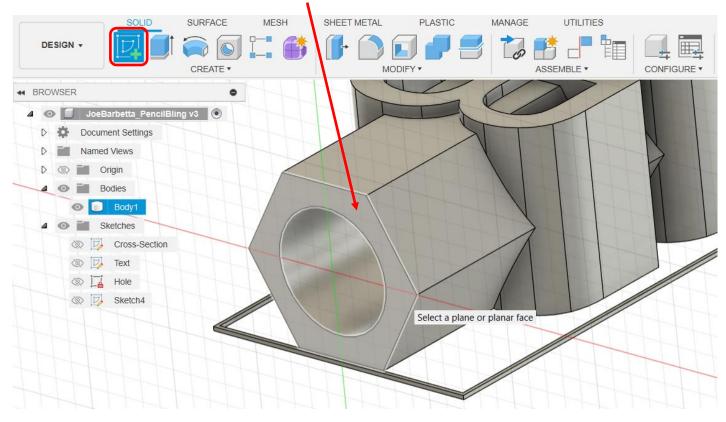
- enter -0.01 (note the minus sign) for Distance, which should cause the region to extend upward slightly
- change the **Operation** to **Join** and click **OK**



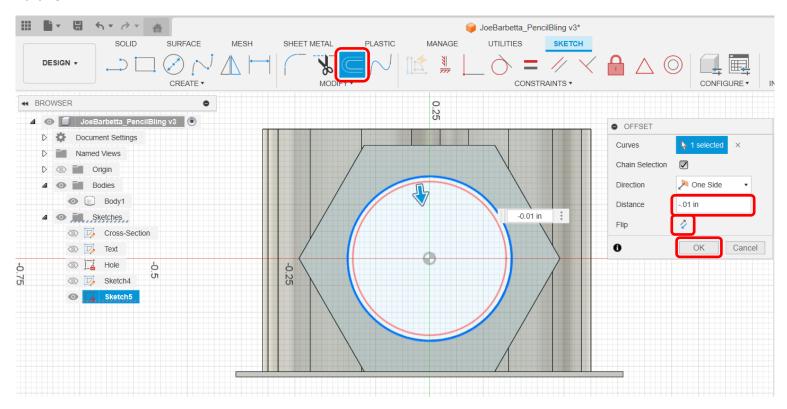
- Zoom into the bottom near the end. The left picture shows that the brim block was properly extruded upward. The right picture shows a brim block that was extruded in the wrong direction.

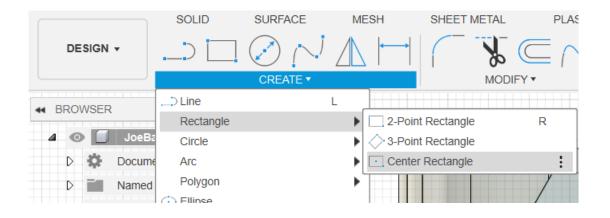


- adjust the view to access the end of the far end as shown
- select the **Create Sketch** tool and click on the **end face**

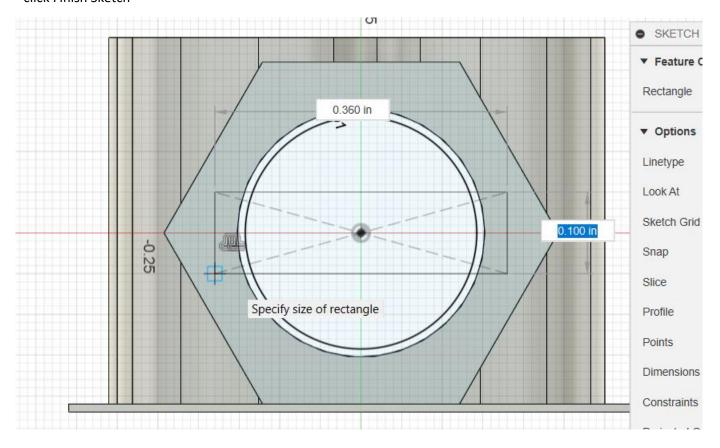


- select the Offset tool. If it is not visible, select it from the MODIFY menu.
- enter **-0.01** (note the minus sign). The red circle should be inside the blue circle. If not click the **Flip** icon.
- click OK

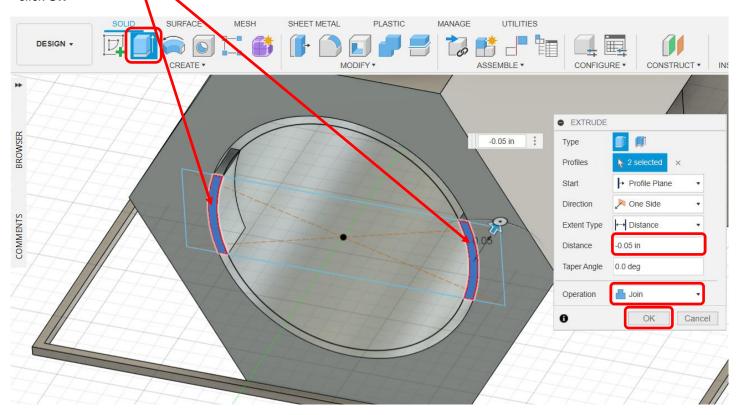




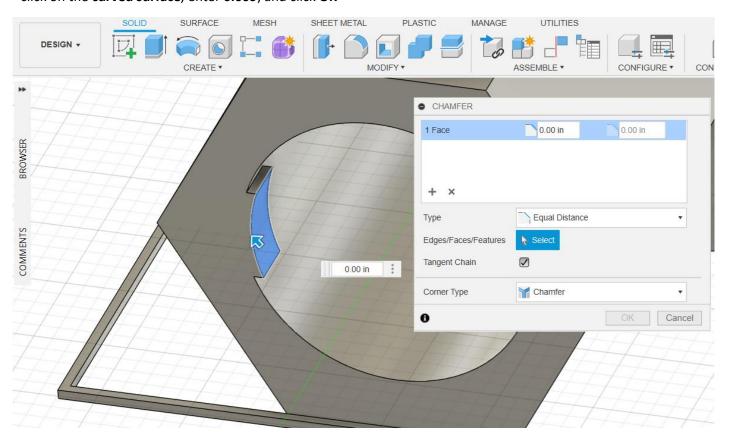
#### - click Finish Sketch



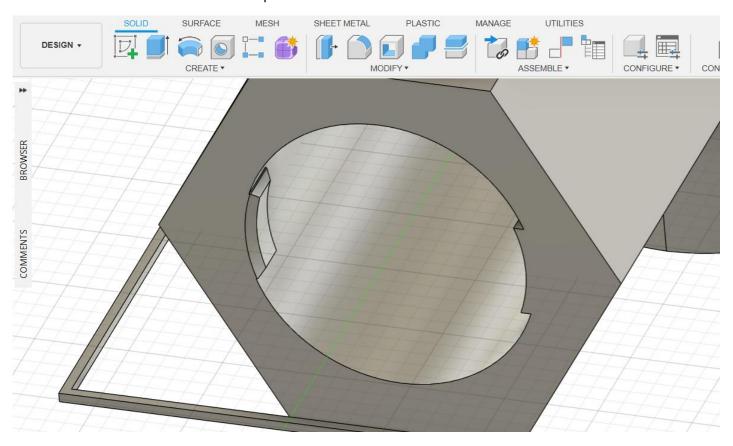
- select the Extrude tool
- click on the **two regions** as shown, which will turn them blue
- enter -0.05 (note the minus sign) and set the Operation to Join
- click **OK**



- from the **MODIFY** menu select the **Chamfer** tool
- click on the curved surface, enter 0.009, and click OK

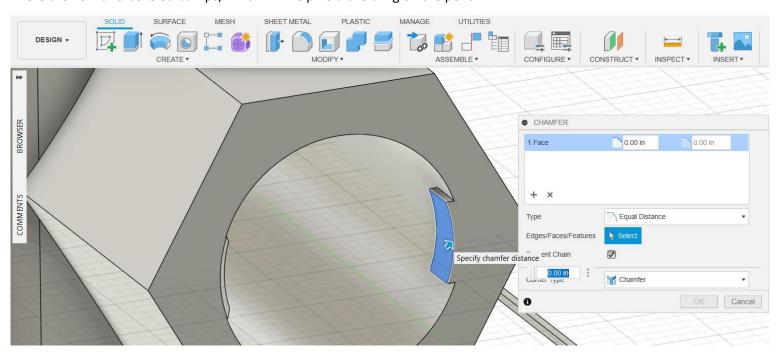


This should be the result of the Chamfer operation.

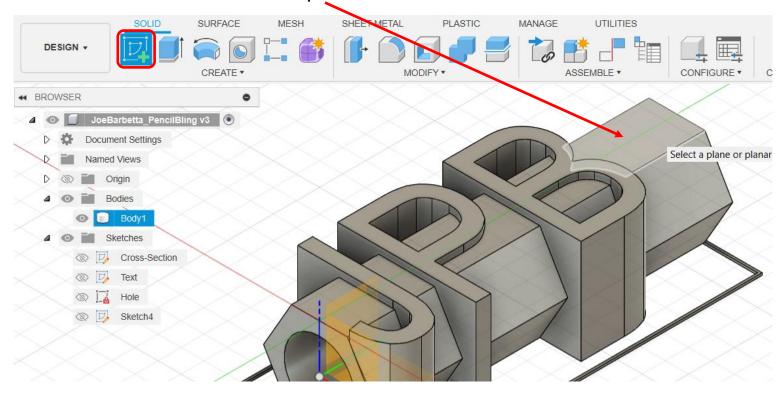


- adjust the view to access the opposite curved surface and **perform the same Chamfer operation** 

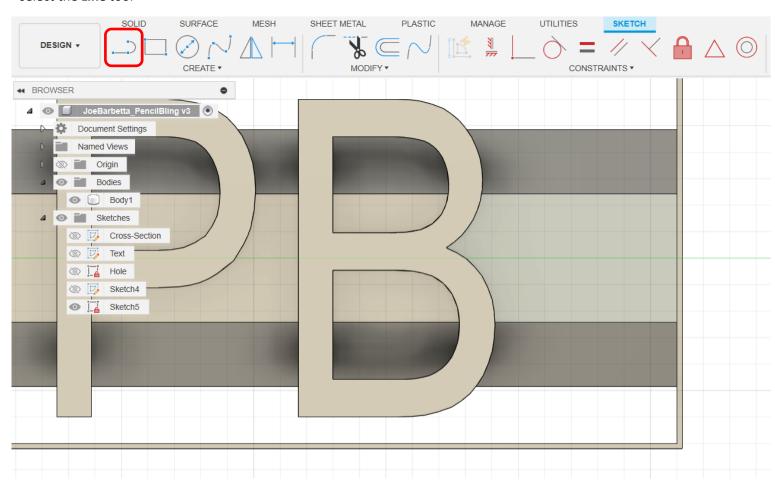
There are now two beveled bumps, which will help hold the bling on the pencil.



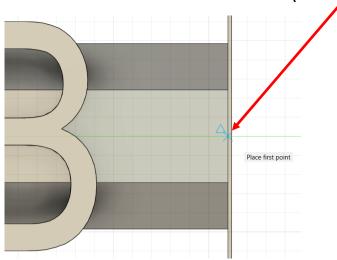
- return to the **Home** view
- select the Create Sketch tool and click on the top surface of the far end



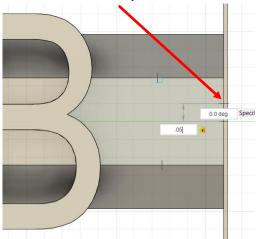
- use the **Rotation Arrows** if needed and **Zoom** into the end as shown
- select the Line tool



- move the mouse near the end until the center (blue triangle) shows and then click on that point

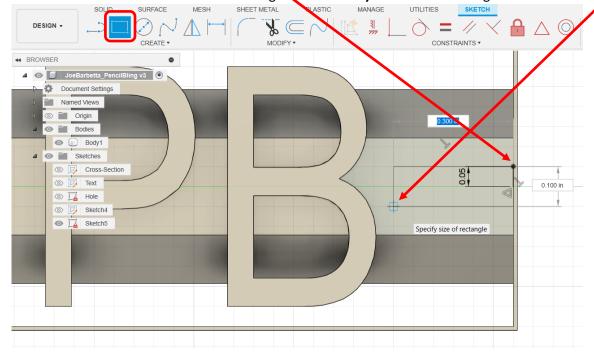


- extend the mouse up and enter 0.05

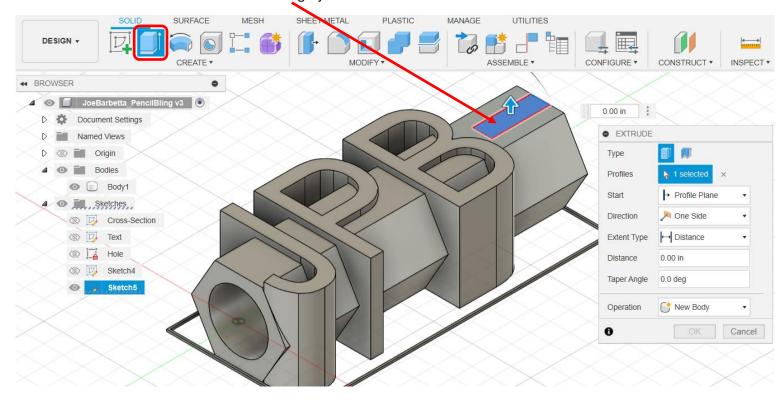


- select the **Rectangle** tool. Click on the **top** of the line just created and extend the rectange **down and to the left**.

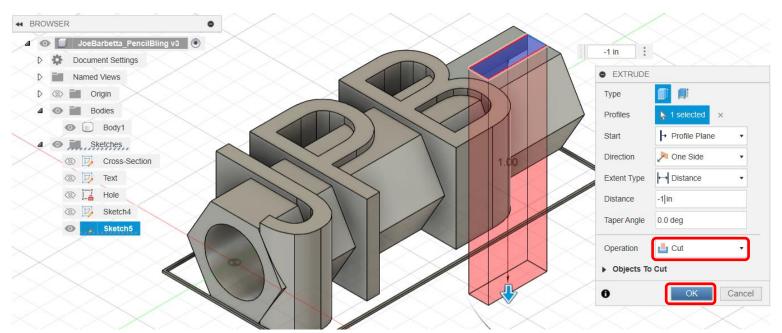




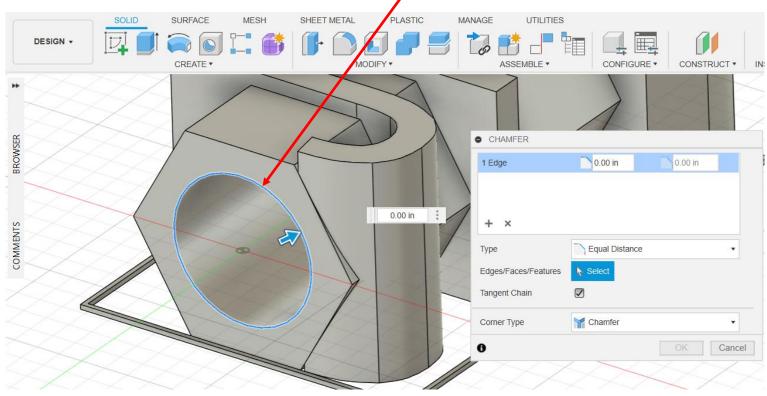
- click Finish Sketch
- select the **Extrude** tool and click on the rectangle just created



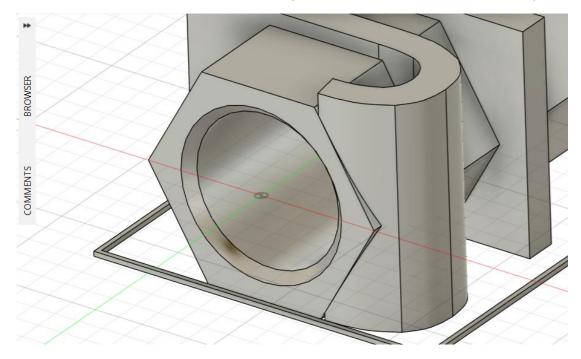
- type -1 (note the minus sign), ensure the Operation is Cut, and click OK



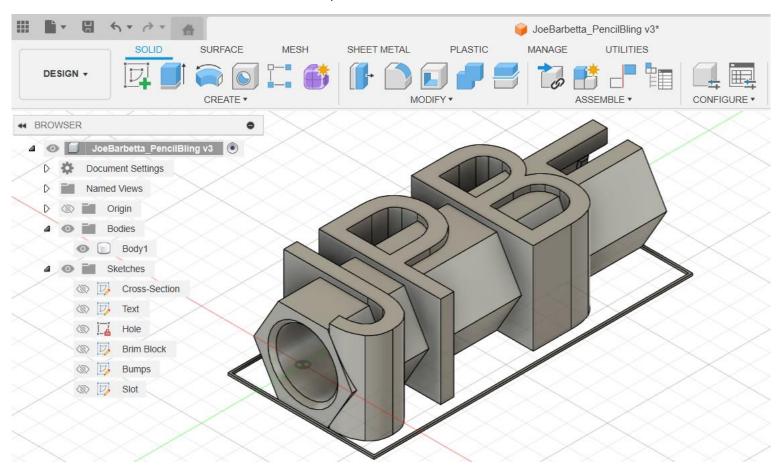
- zoom into the end
- from the MODIFY menu select the Chamfer tool and click on the edge of the hole, which should turn it blue
- type 0.02 and click OK



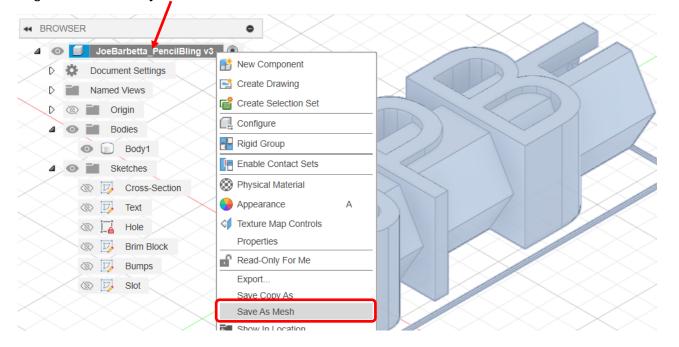
This is how the end should look. The chamfer just added will make it easier to insert a pencil.



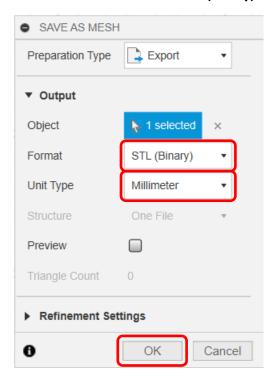
- Admire your pencil bling.
- Rename the Sketches that have Not been renamed yet.



- right-click on the **Project Name** and select **Save As Mesh** 



- ensure the Format is set to STL(Binary) and Unit Type is set to Millimeter and click OK



- ensure that Save to my computer is checked
- the path shown should be the **Downloads** folder, which is the Fusion default. If it is not, one can click the button to the right to select a new location to save the file.
- click Save

