# **Upholstery Sample Pencil Bag**





(Portrait Opening)

(Landscape Opening)

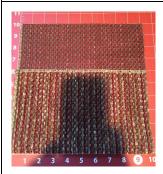
# Supplies

- Upholstery Fabric Cut:
  - 26" x 6" (portrait opening) OR
  - o 16" x 10" (landscape opening)
  - o Modify as necessary to maximize the fabric you have.
  - You can also cut into 2 pieces instead of folding the fabric. Just make sure you have enough room for unsharpened pencils and any other school supplies.
  - Utilize existing serged edges if using samples
- Button (or snaps, velcro)
- Marking tool (chalk, erasable pen)
- Size 12-14 Sewing machine needle for thick fabric
- Sewing Machine, thread, scissors, exacto knife
- Optional: Buttonhole /button sew-on attachments, serger



#### Step 1 - Make Buttonhole

- Mark a center point about 2" above the edge
  - o (3" from the left for Portrait / 5" for Landscape)
- Measure your button & make your buttonhole accordingly.
- Place pins perpendicular to your button hole at the top and bottom.
- Carefully use exacto knife to open your buttonhole. (Pins keep you from cutting too far)



### Step 2 - Finish Raw Edges Inside Flap

- Make sure the inside flap (side that the button attaches is finished).
- Just this one side, DO NOT SEW OTHER SIDES YET! It
  will be more difficult to sew button on if you do, so make sure
  this step is done before sewing on button and sewing around
  the other sides.
- Our sample was already serged so we did not have to do this step. Use serger, tight zig zag or overlock stitch



#### Step 3 - Sew on Button

- Fold to determine button position
- Your finished bag should be approximately 10" x 6" when buttoned
  - o 6" wide for Portrait
  - 10" wide for Landscape
- Mark where your button should go using your buttonhole.
- Sew on button.
- Pull all threads to the back and tie a knot.

# Step 4 - Sew Outside Edges

- Pin to secure the overlapping edges
- Sew around outside edges using serger, overlock stitch or tight zig zag stitch. Sew all raw edges.
- Trim threads and you are DONE!