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Graduation Cap & Tassel Fun Fold Tutorial



Supplies Needed:

Blueberry Bushel cardstock*
Basic White cardstock
Brushed Silver specialty paper
Wanted to Say dies
White baker's twine*
Gold or silver thread

Silver trim
Drusy embellishments
Brad*
Dimensionals
Adhesives

*use school colors for personalized touch

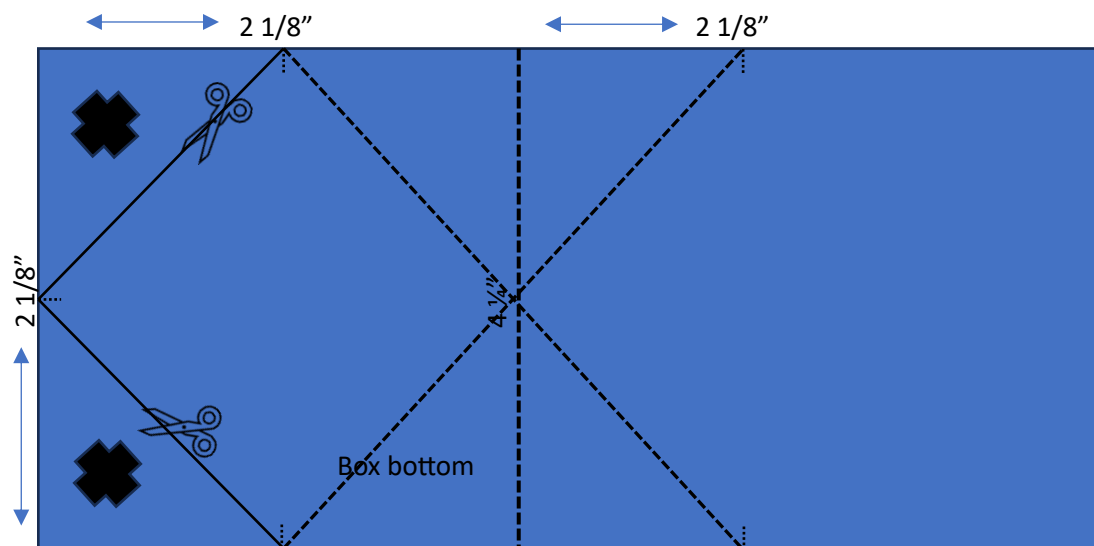
General Measurements:

Card base
White cardstock 1
White cardstock 2
Diecut pieces

4 1/4" x 9 3/4" Blueberry Bushel cardstock
2 3/4" x 2 3/4"
3 1/4" x 4"
2 3/4" x 3 1/2" (silver)
2 1/2" x 3 1/2" (blue)

Directions:

1. Cut Blueberry Bushel cardstock to $4\frac{1}{4}" \times 9\frac{3}{4}"$. It's nice to choose a school color, if you're able. But Basic Black works well for a more neutral look to the cap.
2. With the short edge at the top, make a slight impression with your score tool at $2\frac{1}{8}"$.
3. With the long edge at the top, make an impression on the top and bottom with your score tool at $2\frac{1}{8}"$.
4. Score the full length at $4\frac{1}{4}"$.
5. Make an impression on the top and bottom with your score tool at $2\frac{1}{8}"$ past the $4\frac{1}{4}"$ full score line.
6. Using your cutting tool, cut between the $2\frac{1}{8}"$ mark on the short edge and the $2\frac{1}{8}"$ mark on one of the long edges.
7. Repeat with the other long side of the paper.
8. After removing these small triangles, the top of your card will have a triangular point.
9. Now score between the $2\frac{1}{8}"$ score mark on one long-edge side and the $2\frac{1}{8}"$ below opposite.
10. Repeat with the other long side of the paper.
11. When you are finished, you will have scored an X across the full score line at $4\frac{1}{4}"$.



12. Now you want to fold on all of the score lines to allow movement in preparation for the triangular fold later.
 - a. Fold the card on the $4\frac{1}{4}"$ score line.
 - b. Now fold on one of the X score lines.
 - c. Repeat and fold on the opposite X score line.
13. Open the card back up so that the triangular part of the card is at the top.
14. With your fingers on the $4\frac{1}{4}"$ score line, bring those two edges together and bring the triangular piece down to create a diamond-shaped flap. This flap becomes the cap & tassel.

15. To make the tassel, it is helpful to have a stiffer piece of cardboard or paperboard backing to wrap the baker's twine around. I used a 2 ½" x 4" piece of the paperboard included in a designer series paper pack.
 - a. I used white baker's twine, but it's nice to choose a color that compliments the school colors if you're able.
 - b. Wrap the twine around about 10 times and then snip off the end so that it ends up at the top of one of the edges of paperboard.
 - c. Cut another piece of twine to wrap under and around the wound baker's twine to bind it all together. Bind it close to one of the edges of paperboard, leaving a little gap to create a small loop where you'll attach the tassel to the cap. NOTE: you could use a piece of metallic thread to bind the tassel for a more festive look.
 - d. Carefully slide the bundle off the paper board and then snip the bottom loop apart to create the free-moving tassel portion.
 - e. Set the tassel aside.
16. Affix the tassel to the center of the cap panel with a color-coordinating brad.
 - a. OR affix to the center of the tassel loop with a glue dot and then cover the center of the tassel loop with a small dimensional and place a small circle punched or diecut from a scrap of Blueberry Bushel over the dimensional to give the look of the cap button.
17. Cut a 2 ¾" x 2 ¾" piece of white cardstock. Stamp or write your message. REMEMBER: this piece will be adhered on the diagonal on the inside of triangular front cap flap.
18. Cut a 3 ¼" x 4" piece of white cardstock. This will be adhered to the bottom portion of the card front.
 - a. NOTE: to make this a money holder, use a smaller shaped punch to punch a small notch in the center at the top. Then adhere this piece of cardstock to the card front, making sure that you're only affixing 3 sides in order to allow for the money to slide in at the top.
19. From a scrap of Blueberry Bushel and a scrap of white cardstock, cut the shadow from blue and detail from silver of the word *Celebrate* using the Wanted to Say dies.
20. Affix the two pieces together using a fine tip glue pen.
21. Wrap the card base with silver trim.
22. Affix the word *Celebrate* to the bottom of the card with dimensionals, slightly overlapping the silver trim.
23. Embellish with silver drusy embellishments.
24. Insert money or a gift card.