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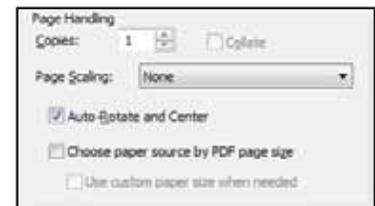
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*Leathercraft Projects To-Go*

## Patriotic Designs On A Genuine Leather

# SUPPORT RIBBON

*Plus A Look At "How We Honor Our Patriots"*

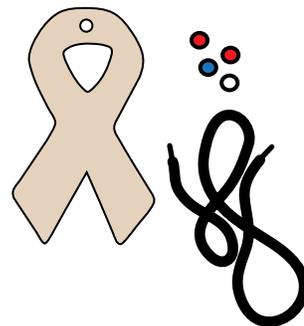
**OBJECTIVE:** Students will learn about the theme while creating a useful and decorative leather project. Lesson includes history and new vocabulary words. Creativity, math and dexterity skills will be exercised to design, personalize, color and then assemble the project.

## MATERIALS LIST

### All Supplies Needed To Complete 12 Leather Support Ribbon Projects:

- Pre-punched Veg Tan Leather Ribbons
- Cords & Beads
- Cova Color® Acrylic Paints
- Brushes
- Sharpie Pens
- Stencils
- Design and Coloring Ideas
- Complete Instructions

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### YOU WILL or MIGHT NEED:

- Pencils For Planning Designs
- Scissors For Cutting Cord
- Classroom Markers, Acrylic Paints & Brushes
- Plastic Palettes, Plates Or Wax Paper For Paints

## CLASSROOM TIME:

Minimum of 3 Sessions:

Design = 45 minutes

Color the Projects = 45 minutes

Assembly = 45 minutes



## GETTING STARTED:

### SESSION 1 - Design:

- Have students plan their designs on paper templates before putting them on the leather.
- Copy blank templates on page 5, cut apart on dotted lines and hand out along with pencils for planning designs.
- Cut stencils apart on dotted lines and hand out for planning designs.

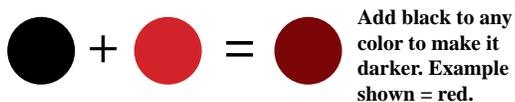
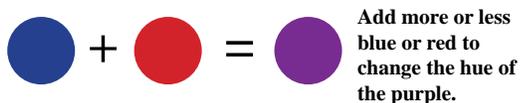
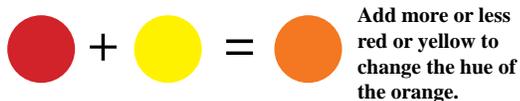
### SESSIONS 2 - Color:

- Hand out a leather part to each student.
- Share Sharpie markers, paints & brushes. Use plastic palettes, plates or wax paper for mixing paints.

(SEE PAGE 3 FOR SESSION 3)

## MIXING COVA COLOR® ACRYLIC PAINTS

The primary colors (red, yellow & blue) have been supplied in this Theme Bucket. The secondary colors (orange, green & purple) can be created as shown:



*Now try mixing the secondary colors together to get even more colors.*

## How & When Do We Honor Our Patriotic Loved Ones?

### Independence Day (The 4th of July) -

A holiday set aside to honor the founding fathers of the United States of America.

On June 7, 1776, Richard Henry Lee, delegate from the Virginia colony, made a motion to the Continental Congress, stating that "these united colonies are and of right ought to be free and independent States, that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British crown, and that all political connection between them and the State of Great Britain is and ought to be totally dissolved." This motion was seconded by John Adams of Massachusetts and the resolution was passed the next day. On June 11, a committee comprised of Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Roger Sherman and Robert Livingston prepared the first draft of the Declaration of Independence. On July 4, 1776, the final draft was presented and adopted.

**Veterans' Day (November 11)** - Formerly known as Armistice Day, Veteran's Day is an annual holiday to honor all of those living and dead who served in the United States Armed Services in wartime. Armistice Day, as it was first called, was proclaimed in 1919 to celebrate the termination (at 11am on November 11, 1918) of World War I. It became a holiday in the United States, France, Great Britain and Canada. In Canada it is known as Remembrance Day and in Great Britain, as Remembrance Sunday. In 1954, the holiday acquired its current name, Veteran's Day, and a broadened significance due to World War II and The Korean War.

**Memorial Day (end of May)** - Memorial Day was originally known as Decoration Day, a day to decorate the graves of the nations' Civil War dead. Sadly the birthplace where Memorial Day was first observed was fought over. Several Northern and Southern cities claimed to be the birthplace.

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**NOTE:** When using acrylic paints on leather, be sure the project is completely dry before starting to assemble the project.

## GETTING STARTED

continued:

### SESSION 3 - Assembly:

- Cut cords in half.
- Copy the Instructions on page 6 and hand them out to each student along with the half cords and beads. Scissors might be needed to trim the cord.
- Practice before class and then demonstrate the assembly steps.

### ABOUT THE LEATHER:

*The leather used in this project is vegetable-tanned (Veg Tan) leather cut from cowhide. One side is smooth (the grain side) and one side is rough or suede (the flesh side). Veg Tan leather can have designs tooled on the smooth side using different tools.*

*This project will be decorated using acrylic paints and colored markers.*

## History Continued:

In 1966 under the direction of President Lyndon Johnson, Waterloo, N.Y. was declared the birthplace of Decoration (or Memorial) Day. Today the observance of Memorial Day honors all those (not just veterans) who died in all of American's wars. In 1971, Congress declared Memorial Day to be a national holiday celebrated on the last Monday in May of each year.

**Did You Know:** Decoration Day was first widely observed on May 30, 1868, to honor those who made sacrifices during the Civil War. General John A. Logan declared:

*The 30th of May, 1868, is designated for the purpose of strewing with flowers, or otherwise decorating the graves of comrades who died in defense of their country during the late rebellion, and whose bodies now lie in almost every city, village, and hamlet churchyards in the land. In this observance no form of ceremony is prescribed, but posts and comrades will in their own way arrange such fitting services & testimonials of respect as circumstance may permit.*

The project for this lesson is to create a patriotic leather support ribbon.

## VOCABULARY:

**Cowhide** - The hide (skin) from a mature bovine (cow).

**Flesh Side** - The rough (suede) underside of leather.

**Grain Side** - The hair side of the leather with the hair removed.

**Tanning** - The process using tannins to change a fresh animal hide into leather.

**Patriot** - Someone who loves and supports his or her own country.

**Tannins** - Yellowish substance from oak bark and other plants used to tan leather.

**Vegetable Tanned (Veg-Tan)** - Leather which has been tanned with vegetable materials that are derived from certain plants and woods, often called bark tannins.

**Veteran** - Someone who has served in the Armed Forces of a country.

**Memorial** - Anything to help people remember an important event, person or persons.



## CREATE DESIGNS USING STENCIL PATTERNS & YOUR OWN IDEAS

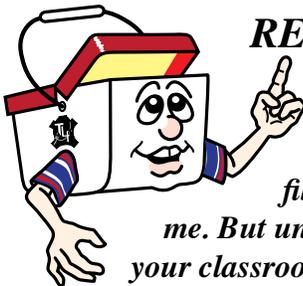
Here are some color & design ideas shown on the project part. The leather can be left its natural color with just the designs in color or paint the backgrounds and designs different colors.



**COLORING HINT:** *To make bright or light colors stand out on a darker background, paint bright or light colors first. Then fill in background around them with a darker color. Or, put a wash over the area, let dry, then come back and paint the designs in white. Let white dry completely (few minutes), then add desired colors on top of the white.*

### CLASSROOM EXPANSION IDEAS:

- ~ Study the writing and adoption of the Declaration of Independence.
- ~ Discuss other important causes for which we display color coded support ribbons:  
*Yellow: Military Support      Pink: Breast Cancer*  
*Green: Ecology & Environment      Red, White & Blue: National Support*  
*And more . . .*



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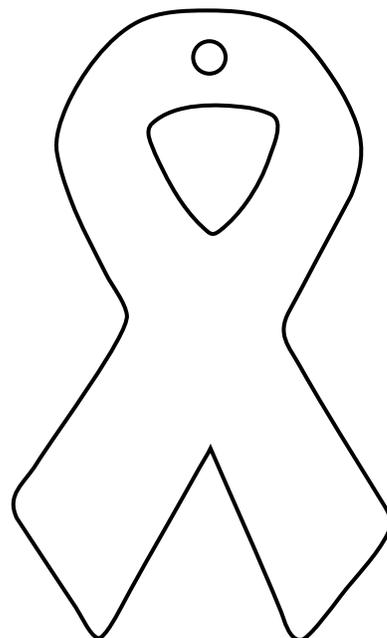
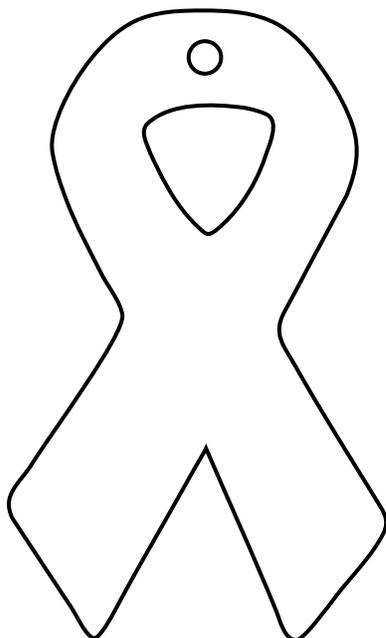
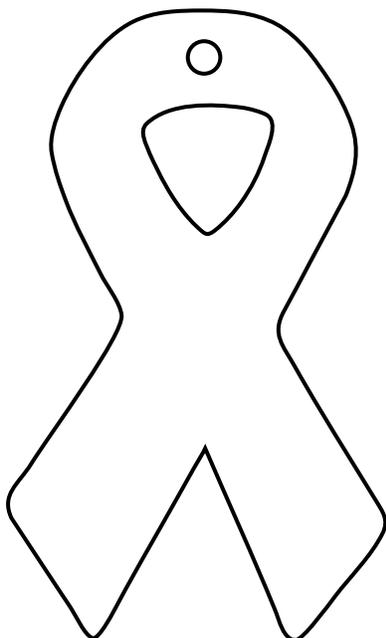
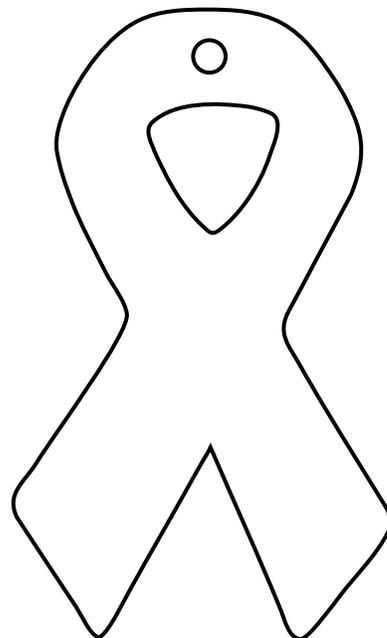
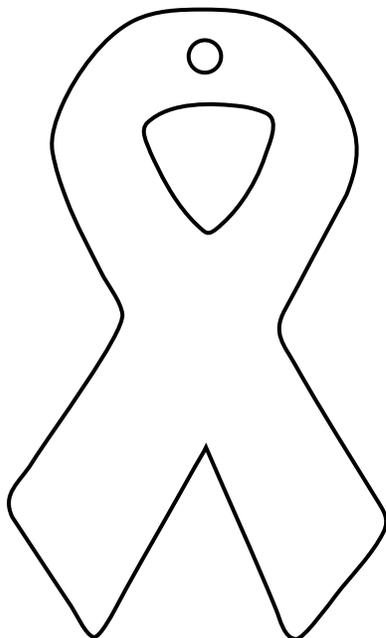
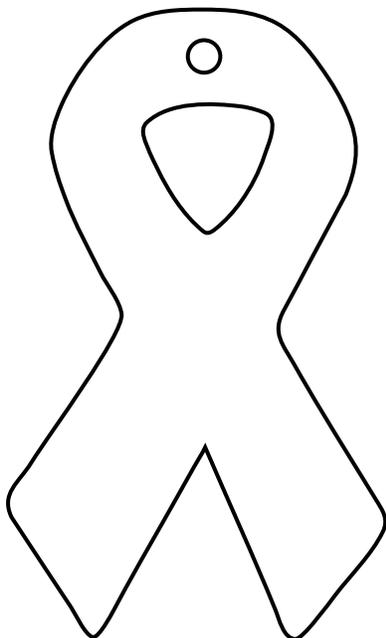
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# TEMPLATES FOR PLANNING DESIGNS



*Copy this page, cut apart on dotted lines and hand out, so students can practice designs on paper before applying them to the leather.*

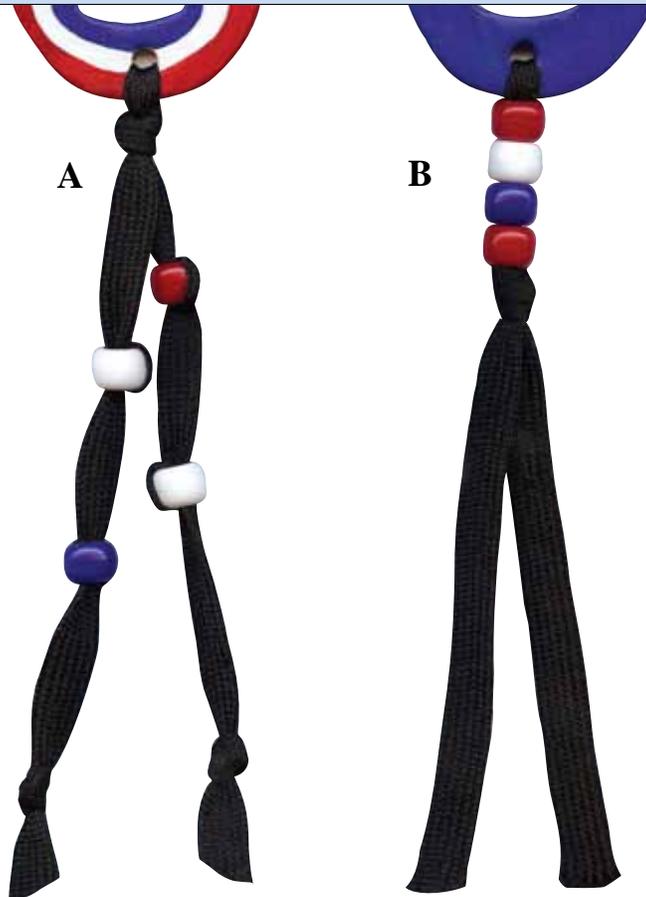


## ASSEMBLY INSTRUCTIONS:

*There are so many different ways to decorate the ribbon using beads and lace. Here are just a few examples. Have fun creating your own designs.*

### OPTIONAL KEY FOB:

- String beads on cord as shown in Sample A or B instructions below.
- Before tying knots in the ends of the cord, add a key.
- Then tie both cord ends together in a knot to secure the key.
- Trim off excess cord.



#### BEADING SAMPLE A:

- Use 1/2 of a cord.
- Push tip of cord through bead.
- Then bring cord over edge of bead and back through the same hole again.
- Repeat on second bead.
- Stitch through hole. Tie a knot close to the leather. Pull cord tight.
- Then add a 3rd & 4th bead.
- Tie a knot in the ends of cord.
- Trim off excess cord.

#### BEADING SAMPLE B:

- Use 1/2 of a cord.
- Push tip of cord through all four beads.
- Then stitch through hole.
- Push tip of cord back through all four beads. Push beads up to edge of leather, but not too tight.
- Pull cord straight.
- Tie a knot in the cord ends together or separate.
- Trim off excess cord.

**HINT:** *To keep cut cord ends from unraveling, put a drop of classroom white glue on cut ends and let dry completely.*