Consumer & Life Studies Brunswick School Department Fiber Arts Embroidery

Essential Understandings	 Embroidery, fiber and needlework arts have been created by every civilization and culture throughout history.
Essential Questions	 What is the history of fiber embroidery and bead embroidery? What are the "beads" used in beaded embroidery? What equipment is used to create embroidery? What are the commonly used stitches? How are embroidered designs created?
Essential Knowledge	 Embroidery and most other fiber and needlework arts are believed to originate in the Orient and Middle East. Beads, shells, precious stones, pearls, and woods have been used to create a "beaded" embroidery. Needles are used to stitch the embroidered designs. A hoop is used to keep the fabrics taunt. Threads may be made from any fiber including those spun from pure gold. Common embroidery stitches include but are not limited to straight, spoke, back, running, chain, lazy daisy, cross, herringbone, catch, blanket, feather, briar, satin, long and short, and French knot. Embroidered designs are created with hand stitching, sewing machines, and computer aided design sewing machines.
Vocabulary	<u>Terms</u> : o embroidery floss, embroidery hoop
Essential Skills	 Describe the use of embroidery and bead embroidery throughout history. Choose equipment and fibers for embroidery and bead embroidery. Create an original fiber manipulated design. Demonstrate the mastery of embroidery stitches and beaded embroidery stitches.
Related Maine Learning Results	 <u>Visual and Performing Arts</u> A. Disciplinary Literacy – Visual Arts A1.Artist's Purpose Students research and explain how art and artists reflect and influence culture and periods of time. A2.Elements of Art and Principles of Design Students evaluate all the features of composition. a. Evaluate Elements of Art: color, form, line, shape, space, texture and value. b. Evaluate Principles of Design including balance, contrast, emphasis. Movement, pattern, rhythm, and unity.

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	A3.Media, Tools, Techniques, and Processes
	Students compare the effects of media and their associated
	tools, techniques, and processes, using elements, principles
	and expressive qualities in art forms and genres.
	B. Creation, Performance, and Expression – Visual Arts
	B1.Media Skills
	Students choose multiple suitable media, tools, techniques, and
	processes to create a variety of original art works.
	B2.Composition Skills
	Students use Elements of Art and Principles of Design to create
	original art works that demonstrate development of personal
	style in a variety of media and visual art forms.
	B3.Making Meaning
	Students create a body of original art work.
	 Demonstrate sophisticated use of media, tools, techniques,
	and processes.
	 Demonstrate knowledge of visual art concepts.
	 c. Communicate a variety of ideas, feelings, and meanings.
	B4.Exhibition
Related	Students select, prepare, and help with exhibiting their works in
Maine Learning	the classroom, school, or other community location, and
Results	articulate an artistic justification for their selection.
	C. Creative Problem Solving
	C1.Application of Creative Process
	Students apply and analyze creative problem solving and
	creative thinking skills to improve or vary their own work and/or
	the work of others.
	D. Aesthetics and Criticism
	D1.Aesthetics and Criticism
	Students analyze and evaluate art forms.
	b. Analyze and evaluate varied interpretations of works of art
	using evidence from observations and a variety of print
	and/or non-print sources.
	d. Research and explain how art and artists reflect and shape
	their time and culture.
	E. Visual and Performing Arts Connections
	E1. The Arts and History of World Cultures
	Students analyze the characteristics and purposes of products
	of the visual/performing arts to understand history and/or world
	cultures
	E2.The Arts and History of World Cultures
	Students analyze skills and concepts that are similar across
	disciplines.

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Related Maine Learning Results	 E3.Goal-Setting Students make short-term and long-term goals based on rigorous criteria and related to time management, interpersonal interactions, or skill development that will lead to success in the arts. E4.Impact of the Arts on Lifestyle and Career Students explain how their knowledge of the arts relates to school-to-school and school-to-work transitions and other career and life decisions including the recognition that the arts are a means of renewal and recreation. E5.Interpersonal Skills Students demonstrate positive interpersonal skills and reflect on the impact of interpersonal skills on personal success in the arts. a. Getting along with others. b. Respecting differences. e. Accepting/giving/using constructive feedback. f. Accepting responsibility for personal behavior. h. Following established rules/etiquette for observing/listening to art. i. Demonstrating safe behavior.
Sample	 Discussion and comparison of embroidery and beaded embroidery
Lessons	throughout history
And	 Slide show of historical embroidered items
Activities	Handout: History of Embroidery
	 Handout: Embroidery Stitches
Sample	Embroidered and besided individual project
Classroom	 Embroidered and beaded individual project Daily participation
Assessment Methods	
Sample Resources	 <u>Publications</u>: Creative Stitchery leaflet, Coats & Clark INC. <u>Mary Thomas's Dictionary of Embroidery Stitches</u>, Trafalgar Publishing, 1998 <u>The Stitches of Creative Embroidery</u>, Litton Educational Publishing, Inc., 1964