



Back to School Banner and Gift Box Tutorial

Hi friends! Grace created an adorable banner for back to school photos and the cutest crayon boxes for supplies or gifts. Read on for the full tutorial!



Supply List:

For all the banners:

- [Stitched Party Banners die](#)
- [Stitched Scalloped Rectangle Frames die](#) (Second largest piece)
- [Henry's ABCs die](#)
- [Henry's 123s die](#)
- [Outside In Stitched Apple Stackables die](#)
- [Really rainbow petite paper pack](#)
- [Black licorice cardstock](#)
- [Barn red cardstock](#)

- [Kraft cardstock](#)
- [Textured canvas cardstock- green](#)
- [Jumbo glue tube](#)
- [Single natural cord](#)

Banner Crayons

- [Large Mini Slimline Stackables die](#)
- [Stitched Simple Wavy Borders die](#)
- [Outside In Stitched Heart Stackables die](#)
- [Fancy Box die](#)
- [Textured canvas cardstock](#) - pink, purple, teal, green packages
- [Black licorice cardstock](#)
- [Claire's ABCs Stamp](#)
- [White embossing powder](#)
- [Embossing & watermark ink pad \(clear\)](#)

Banner Pencils

- [Large Mini Slimline Stackables die](#)
- [Stitched Party Banners die](#) circle
- [Henry's ABCs die](#)
- [Stitched Simple Wavy Borders die](#)
- [Outside In Stitched Heart Stackables die](#)
- [Stitched Rectangle Frames die](#)

Crayon Box

- [Fancy Box die](#)
- [Outside In Stitched Heart Stackables die](#)
- [Stitched Simple Wavy Borders die](#)
- [Textured canvas cardstock](#) - red, orange, yellow, green, teal, purple, and pink
- [Black licorice cardstock](#)
- [Happy Happy Happy Stamp](#)
- [Plan on It: School stamp](#)
- [White embossing powder](#)
- [Embossing & watermark ink pad \(clear\)](#)

Steps:

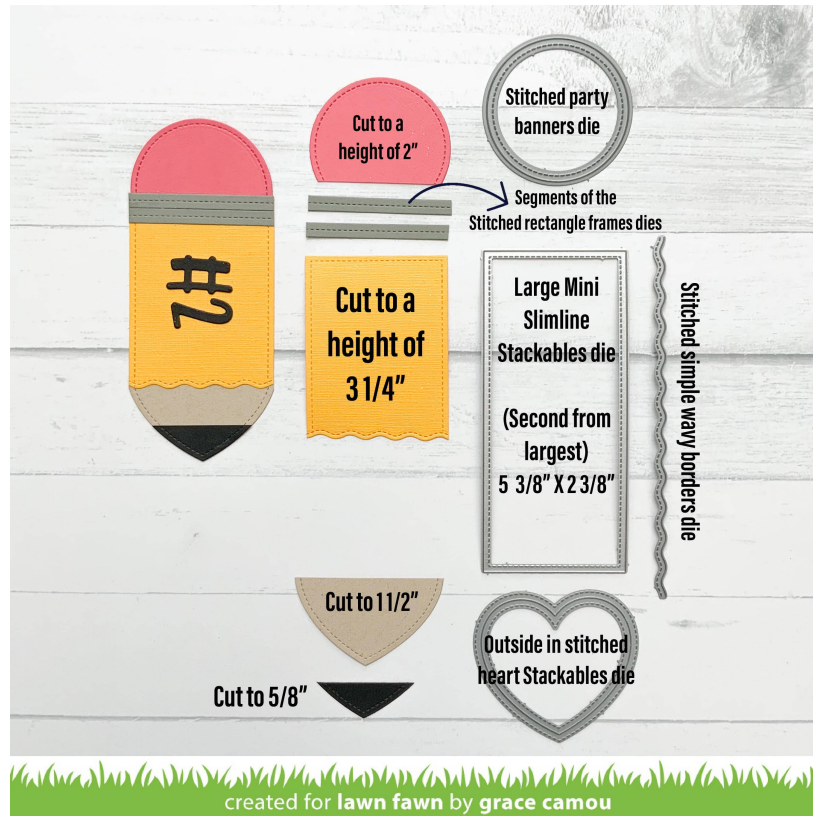
Banner Pennants

1. Cut the True Blue paper from the Really Rainbow collection with the largest of the Stitched Party Banners die.
2. Layer the white Scalloped Rectangle Frame and the Black Licorice panel on top. Add the components inside the frame.
3. For each banner's message, add the letters from Henry's ABCs and Henry's 123s and a little apple from Outside in Stitched Apple Stackables.

Banner Crayons

For the banner crayons, use two tones each of the pink, purple, teal and green Textured Canvas Cardstock.

1. Cut a rectangle of each of the two tones using the Large Mini Slimline Stackables die.
2. Cut the rectangles length to match the length of the banners as seen in the diagram.
3. For the tip of the crayon, cut a heart using one of the Outside in Stitched Heart Stackables die, and use the bottom portion of it only.
4. Glue the tip portion of the crayon to the largest rectangle (both are cut from the darker shade of cardstock) and continue to adhere the smaller rectangle (light color) on top.
5. To finish the crayon, add two pieces of Stitched Simple Wavy Borders die cut out of black licorice cardstock trimmed to about 3/8" thick.
6. Decorate the center with the oval from the Fancy Box die. Stamp and emboss the crayon in white using Claire's ABCs.
7. Use a hole puncher, to make a couple of perforations on the top of each crayon.



Banner Pencils

The pencil is made using a rectangle and a heart, similar to the crayon but a circle is added to the top as an eraser.

1. Cut the pieces as shown in the picture. The rectangle length is cut with the Stitched Simple Wavy Borders die. Use the circle from Stitched Party Banners die for the eraser top.
2. Glue the tip and eraser to both ends of the rectangle, then add the black tip on top of the brown tip.
3. Add the two gray borders (cut out of Narwhal cardstock) next to the eraser.
4. Add the hashtag and number from Henry's 123s.
5. Use a hole puncher to make two perforations to the top of the pencil.
6. Use Natural Lawn Trimmings cord to put together the banner, passing the cord through the holes of each of the crayons, the pencil and pennants.



Crayon Boxes

To make the crayon boxes: Use two tones of each of the colors of Textured Canvas Cardstock in Red and Orange, Yellow, Green, Teal, Purple, Pink.

1. Cut the pieces as shown in the picture. Use the smooth side of the darker shade of cardstock to cut the main box piece and heart for the tip.
2. Glue the tip (cut out of the heart shape) to the right top end of the lid. Cut the little extra area from the sides with scissors.
3. Glue the rectangle of light color cardstock to the right as well, covering the crayon tip area that has been glued before.
4. Add the two pieces of Stitched Simple Wavy Borders die cut out of black licorice and about 3/8" thick.
5. Finally, stamp and emboss in white the sentiment on top of the oval piece of Black licorice cardstock. The sentiment I used is the combination of Happy Happy Happy and Plan on It: School stamps.
6. Glue the oval to the center portion of the decorated box lid.



The boxes can be filled with candy, gift cards or even crayons!



Thanks so much for following along,
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