## **Fourth Grade**

## **Decorative Pencil Holder**

## Materials needed:

Boxes of clay labeled with teacher's name (1 pound per project)

Spray bottle of water and sponges

2 Drying boards – (labeled with teacher's name and date)

Sample projects (carried in padded box)

2 Clay Scrap Bags

Toilet paper tubes (1 per student)

Pencil Holder outline templates (in clear plastic folders)

Mats (1 per student)

Plastic pipe rollers (1 per student)

Wooden slats (2 per student)

Water bowls and spray bottle of water

White plastic toolbox with cutting tools (for writing names & cutting outline)

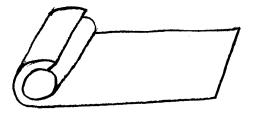
Garlic Press (for making hair)

Straws and wooden tools for sculpting

## Procedure:

- 1. Roll out clay until roller rests on slats.
- 2. Loosen clay from mat.
- 3. Place circular and rectangular templates on slab and use roller to gently press into the clay.
- 4. Use the sharp cutting tool to cut out the two shapes. Remove templates.
- 5. Flip over the round piece of clay and write child's first name, last initial and date on it.
- 6. Score and wet the ends of the rectangular piece. Wrap it around a toilet paper roll cut to the same length as the short side of the rectangle, mat side of the clay against the tube. Join and smooth ends together, forming a tube. Score the outside 1/4-inch of the round piece and the bottom of the tube. Moisten the scored edges. Twist and press the tube against the base. Smooth with water. **Do not remove the tube.**
- 7. By adding clay and sculpting it, disguise the pencil holder to look like an animal's head, a person's head or something else interesting.
- 8. Use the garlic press to create hair. Add clay for ears, eyes, a nose, a mouth, etc., etc..
- 9. Place projects on drying board and return to Clay Room.
- 10. Clean up everything that was used and put everything back where it came from. Count tools in white plastic box.

Roll clay around tube. Join ends together and smooth.





Score, wet, and join base to tube.