Consumer & Life Studies Fiber Arts Unit 2: Embroidery

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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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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	
Classroom	 Embroidered and beaded individual project
Assessment	 Daily participation
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