DESIGN BOARD GUIDELINES

Design Board

Design Board - is a tool to display the color scheme and furniture arrangement. Each team can have 1 to 3 design boards. At least 1 board is required. Teams with less than 3 boards will not be penalized.

Directions for making design board are: Cut two boards out of illustration board or poster board, one white 11 x 18 inches and one black 13 x 20 inches. Glue the white board on top of the black board creating a black border as shown below. Mount samples on board securely. No 3-D room model.

Room Scale: ¼" = 1'.

- **Color Scheme** - Choose a color scheme for your room. This color scheme should be reflected in the samples that you use on your board.

- **Flooring, wall treatments, and ceilings** - Use swatches of carpet, flooring samples, paint samples, or sample wall treatments (free at most building supply stores). Mount these to board to show what type floor and wall treatments you will use. YOU MUST HAVE 1 EXAMPLE OF EACH: FLOOR AND WALLS. You may have more. (Ex. ceilings or two different wall treatments in one room.)

- **Stripes** - Any stripes on wallpaper or fabric should be mounted on board vertically.

- **Fabrics** - Include minimum of two swatches of fabric that will be used in the room.(Example: pillows, comforter, chairs, etc.) Fabric should be pinked or wrapped. To
wrap fabric, cut a square from poster board or cardboard. Wrap fabric around this square securing raw edges to the back of the square.

- **Back of Board** - List team member names and county on the back of the board.
- **Labels** - Label board (example: Bedroom) and any swatches of fabric, paint or floor samples for their use. Example: Pillows, curtains, comforter, dust ruffle, etc.
- **Furniture Arrangement** - Use the room template and furniture template (drawn to scale) to organize the room layout. The furniture layout will be judged on creativity, proper use of space and lighting, neatness, and accuracy of the scaled drawing.

**Design Board and Presentation**

- Tell who you designed the room for based on the given design scenario.
- Tell what type of color scheme you are using in the room (monochromatic, complementary, or adjacent).
- Tell about the furniture arrangement and about the traffic patterns of the room. Also tell how you applied the principles of design to your plan.
- Tell what type of floor and wall treatments will be used. (Use carpet, tile, wallpaper or paint samples)
- Tell how the fabrics you chose will be used in the room
- Neatness of the board will be judged.
- Presentation skills will be judged.
- Remember: simple is better.
- You can use pictures from magazines in your room. (Great for furniture, accessories, lighting, etc.). Cut them out and use them on the board.
- Don’t make your board too crowded.

The arrangement of items should form nice, clean lines when looking at the board. Look at the board from all angles. Place the samples on the board in order:

- **Top** - Place things at the top of the board that will be at the top of the room (examples - ceiling paint, window treatments).
- **Bottom** - Place things at the bottom of the board that will be at the bottom of the room (examples - carpet, floor covering, bed covers, chair, bed skirt).
- **Middle** - Place wall and trim colors in the middle.
- **Remember to place room sign and ¼” scale on the board.**
- When you are happy with the board, glue the items in place.
- Words need to be on the board, not on the fabric.

Prepare your reasons. This is a sample of reasons:

"We designed the room for _______. We used a monochromatic color scheme of red. We placed the chair with a stand up light for a reading area. We placed the desk by the window to make use of natural lighting. The bed was placed opposite the door to create a focal point in the room using the principles of design.

The floor will be maroon carpet. We pulled the carpet color from the bedspread. We used 100% natural fabrics on the window treatments. The bedspread was made of 100% silk.

We applied the principles of design in making sure there was balance in the room. Our favorite thing in the room was the silk fabric we selected for the bedspread.

Are there any questions?" (Remember: this is an example script only. Do not use this exact wording for your team presentation.)
Presentation Boards

Each team can have 1 to 3 design boards. At least 1 board is required. Teams with less than 3 boards will not be penalized. No 3-D room model.

1. For each board you will need one black poster or mat board cut to 13 x 20 inches.
2. For each board you will need one white poster or mat board cut to 11 x 18 inches.
   - Glue white board on top of the black board. Don't put too much glue on the board.

3. The furniture arrangement should be completed before moving on to the rest of the board. Use the templates provided in the 4-H Interior Design Contest packet (pages 8-10). It includes the empty room template and furniture cut outs. This will assist you in knowing where to place the furniture:
   - Furniture placement can be determined by gluing or drawing furniture on the blank room template.
   - Always have focal points; that is, something that catches your attention when entering the room (example: bed).
   - It is alright to catty-corner furniture but this does waste space.
   - Consider how doors in the room open. Be sure doors are not hitting the furniture.
   - Make a note of where the electrical outlets are in the room.
   - Consider grouping furniture. For example, you may have sleeping, eating or studying areas.
   - Note traffic patterns. These are the most used portions of the room.
   - Place largest piece of furniture in the room first and then smallest.
   - Make sure you have enough light in the room.
   - Avoid wasted space in the room.

4. Choose your fabrics
   - Choose one color scheme
   - Cardboard or foam core can be used to make the pieces stand out if fabrics are overlapping.
   - You must have at least one example of flooring. (Examples: carpet, tile, vinyl)
   - You must have at least one example of walls (Examples: paint, wallpaper, etc.).
   - You must have at least two fabrics on your board. (Examples: chairs, comforters, window treatments, pillows)

5. Fabric should be pinked with pinking shears or wrapped around a piece of cardboard to hide raw edges. This will prevent raveling. You may use scraps of mat board to wrap fabric. Most shops that cut mat board will give you these free of charge.

6. All items on the board will need a label. You can use the suggested list of labels that are provided (page 6) to type labels for your board(s). You must have a title for your board, the scale size must be shown, and all fabrics and samples should be labeled.

7. Collect all parts of your board: room arrangement, labels, and samples. Begin arranging them on your board. DO NOT GLUE ANYTHING DOWN until you have looked at the board from several angles and have ALL pieces on the board. Remember the following tips when laying items on the board:
   - Attach samples to board using E600 glue or similar type of glue or double stick tape etc. Any stripes will be mounted vertically.

Make sure you have your team member's names and county on the back of the board.