



Woot-Woot...It's GRADUATION Time!

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It is that time of the year...GRADUATION _ and boy do I have a FUN one for you that is SUPER-DE-DUPER easy to make...so much so that you probably do not even need me...but here you go!

The Star of the Show is the Sweet Treat Cups from the OCCASIONS Catalog and you need to STOCK UP on them as they ARE being RETIRED!

Before we get to the scoop...I want to share with you how I feel about many of the miscellaneous packing products that Stampin' Up! sells...in a nutshell – I would say GET THEM ALL!

I am sure that many of you might be gasping with that statement but please hear me out. I say this as the price points are always affordable and I cannot tell you how many times having them on my shelf has SAVED ME when thinking of something clever to do...

This brings me to this project- I made a list of graduations that will be coming up and it was rather long this year and also many of the recipients live far away. I thought...what could I do that is clever, appropriate for the occasion and practical....Well I think I nailed it!

Stampin' Up! Supplies Used:

- Stamp: Well Said Bundle(#150609), Itty Bitty Greetings (#146667)
- Inks: Lovely Lipstick(#147140)
- DSP& Cardstock: Whisper White Cardstock (#100730), Basic Black (#121045)
- Accessories: Sweet Cups ((#147573), Lovely Lipstick Ribbon (#146952),
- Tools: Stampin' Trimmer (#126889), Big Shot (#143263), ½" (119869), ¾" Circle Punch (#119869)
- Adhesives: Tear & Tape (#138995), Multipurpose Adhesive Sheets (#144106), Multipurpose Liquid Glue (#110755), Glue Dots (#103683)

Instructions:

- You need to cut a piece of Black Paper to cover the treat box! You can do it the old fashion way and take a Treat Cup a part and use that as a stencil or you can let your fingers do the walking and click here and find a template all ready made for you....

http://juliedavison.com/downloads/1902_SweetCupsSleeveTemplate.pdf

(don't you just love the internet) and many thanks to SUD Julie for having this on the internet.

You can adhere this with either tear n tape or if you can use the green glue if you like that "**wiggle room**" of confidence.

TIP ALERT: - I find using the bone folder to soften the fibers of the paper makes it easier to work with!

- Cut a Strip of Black Paper at ½" to adhere around the top lip of the lid of the treat cup. Again, use your choice of adhesive but I do recommend softening the fibers of the cardstock.
- Place Multipurpose Adhesive Sheets to the back of white cardstock. I think that this is a **HUGE TIME SAVER** but you can easily use the green glue if you do not want to use these sheets. Make sure that you really give them a good rub down to make the adhesive stick id you are using the sheets.
- Using the HORRAY sentiment from the **MUST HAVE** Well Said Bundle....cut 3 of the HORRAY out...this is a personal preference as I love to see layers but if this is not your style....just do one! Adhere to the front of your covered cup!
- Cut a 4 ¼" Square out of Black Paper for the hat. Find the middle and later you will add the "button"
- Punch out (3) ¾" circles and (6) ½" circles in Black for the button on top! Again, this is just a personal preference but I love to stack them up to give dimension before we add a tassel! Green Glue and the Take Your Pick Tool is a lifesaver in doing this!
- Time to make the tassel...this is **SUPER FUN** and easy....just hang on! You can make this with **ANY COLOR** for your School Colors for the graduate! Are you ready? Yep, I have a video for you that will show you how easy this is to do! Again, love the Internet and I will say...these instructions are **SPOT ON!**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Kl10gDNSXSo>

TIP ALERT: - I googled the schools name to find the colors of the school needed to make the tassel a bit more customized....and then I have a ton of DMC Floss that I used, If you do not have any...it

is **SUPER INEXPENSIVE** and/or ask a friend that has some....I think that it makes a difference to see the schools colors. I followed it to a tee and it worked great!

- To adhere the top of the hat to the lid...all I did was use r simple glue dots and PRESTO...it works like a charm! To adhere the tassel I used glue dots to put it on top of the "button top"
- To add the **SWEET** to this project...I simply added the sentiment from the Itty Bitty Greetings Stamp Set, (**another must have**) for your stash....but I **CUT IT** to make 2 lines.....that's right – I cut it and it did not scream or get hurt at all! This is something that I do and it really helps when trying to just "make it work"

TIP ALERT: Again, work the fibers of the paper with a bone folder before you wrap it around a Hershey Nuggett...I like to use a glue dot to hold it together.....but if you like Scotch Tape – **GO FOR IT!**

ANOTHER TIP ALERT: - Have fun using whatever color of ink that you wish to use to stamp the sentiment – or heck – leave it plain or wrap a DSP around it....it is **UP TO YOU!** Don't you just love **OPTIONS!**

- Lastly...the **ICING ON THE CAKE**.... I wrapped money up and tued a simple bow around it and it fits perfectly in with it's chocolate friends!!!

I hope that you are inspired with this project....it is **SUPER CUTE** and also **SUPER EASY** to make and the best thing is.....the recipient will just BEAM with it!

I think we all know....it is the **LITTLE THINGS** in life that make the difference and this project is no different....I am super proud to give these to my 5 graduates this year....see my friends peeps grow up is a WOW experience but I love that I **am READY!**

If for some reason that the hyperlinks do not work for you to just CLICK ON.....just copy and paste it and you should be good to go!

If you need further help...please do not hesitate to reach out to me or one of the **SUPER TALENTED** ladies on this **3D FUN TEAM!**

Happy Stampin.....

Susan!

