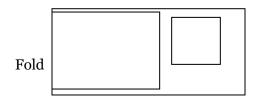


## **Canvas Purse**

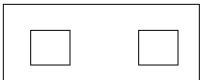
<u>Canvas Purse</u>- Purchase 1/2 yd of 45" wide purse canvas body fabric. Purchase 3 yards of contrast web for handles. You will need matching thread.

Bring a fabric marker plus your sewing machine to class.

I suggest you draw the purse elements on your fabric with chalk before you cut the fabric. Main purse body piece is 30" X 16". cut 2 pockets 7" X 7" (Diagram is not to scale)



- Cut the purse pieces. Finish the all edges with zig-zag or serger. Fold under 1/2" of top and bottom edge of the pocket. Top stitch 1/4" from top and bottom of pocket to form hems.
- 2. Decorate the top edges of the purse and pocket tops with decorative stitches.
- 3. Place each pocket in the center of the opened purse piece 4" from each end and top stitch ½" from each side edge of the pocket to position.



**Handles** -Center the strap over the raw edges of the purse pockets to form handles. The strap is a continuous strip. Start the pining of your handle at the bottom of the pocket. Allow 19"" from the top edge of each pocket top edge to form handles. Make sure the handles are even. To finish, overlap the handle strip on the bottom side of one pocket . Turn under the edge of the handle strip to finish the overlap and pin in place. Top stitch the handles on each side of the strip between the pocket tops. Stitch both sides of the handle edge. To finish the bag sew the sides of the bag from the top edge to the fold.

