

4-H CLOVERBUD PATTERN FOR 4-H MEMBERS ONLY

CLOVERBUDS ARE 5-7 YEARS OLD

THIS PATTERN MUST BE PRINTED ON STANDARD LETTER SIZED PAPER

FAIR BEAR SEWING CONTEST

We have a fun contest to enter this year. We will provide the bear sewing pattern to anyone that wishes to enter this fun contest. Each contestant must sew their own stuffed bear. All the contest rules can be picked up with the pattern at the Extension Office beginning the Spring of 2020.

Categories: Adults 16 and up, Youth Ages 15 and under
4-H: Cloverbud, Junior, Intermediate and Senior
Rules: One entry per person. You must use pattern provided by us.
All entries must be entered on **Monday April 20, 2020 12:00-7:00PM** in Boyd Hall
One winner and one prize will be awarded to adults, and one winner and one prize will be awarded to each youth category.



How to Make Cloverbud Bear



This cute little teddy has a tubby little tummy and arms and legs that have enough flexibility to enable the teddy to be easily posed into a sitting position, yet this little bear is easy to make and **can be been created by hand or sewing machine.**

I've used a long thick fur for the teddy in the picture, the great thing about using long fur (apart from looking wonderful of course) is that it doesn't show up any flaws so the stitching doesn't have to be perfect, which is good news because such thick fur can be hard work for a sewing machine, so I normally stitch this one up by hand. **When using any other fur or fabric I would normally use a sewing machine.**

What You Will Need:

- Sewing needle or machine
- Scissors
- Marker or chalk
- Pins
- Cardboard (a large cereal box is good for this)
- **Fake fur or cotton fabric Material (3/8 yard)**
- Thread
- 2 1/4 inch eyes or Buttons
- 1 small plastic nose or embroidery floss
- Polyester Fiberfill
- Embroidery Floss for the mouth (optional)

How to Make It:

1. Print and cut out attached teddy bear pattern.



2. Place the fur or fabric down back side up and place the templates on to it making sure you have the fur running from top to bottom. Draw around the templates with the marker or chalk then flip the templates over and draw around them again.



3. Cut out all of the four pieces (two backs and two fronts). This pattern has been made to allow 1/4 inch seams. With right sides together, pin or tack the 2 front pieces together. Sew the two front pieces together; start at from the top of the bears head and finish at the start of the legs (see pins in pic) Repeat with back sections, but leave an opening in the middle of the back as shown in pattern (see middle pins in pic).



4. Clip the curves (this helps to stop any puckering when you turn the bear right side out)



5. If you are using a plastic shanked nose and eyes, insert them now



6. Pin or tack the front and back pieces together (wrong side out) and then sew all around it.



7. Turn bear right sides out, you may find it easier to use the handle of a wooden spoon in the arms and legs to push them out.



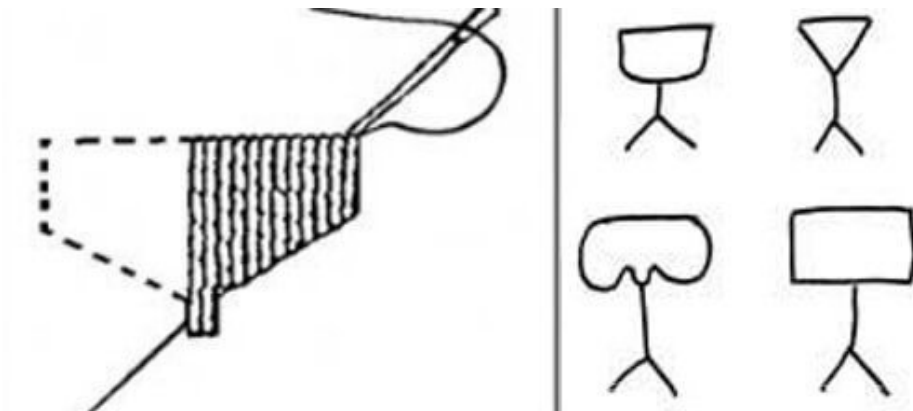
8. Stitch along ear marks as shown on the pattern. Stuff the head with Fiberfill, using sufficient stuffing to give character to muzzle area. Once again a wooden spoon handle will come in handy here.
9. Tie off the head area with strong thread by wrapping the thread around the neck of the bear and knotting it, this will be virtually unnoticeable later and can be covered by a ribbon. Stuff both arms and legs (using wood spoon if need be) then Stitch along marks as shown on pattern.
10. Finally, stuff body cavity and sew up the opening in the back.



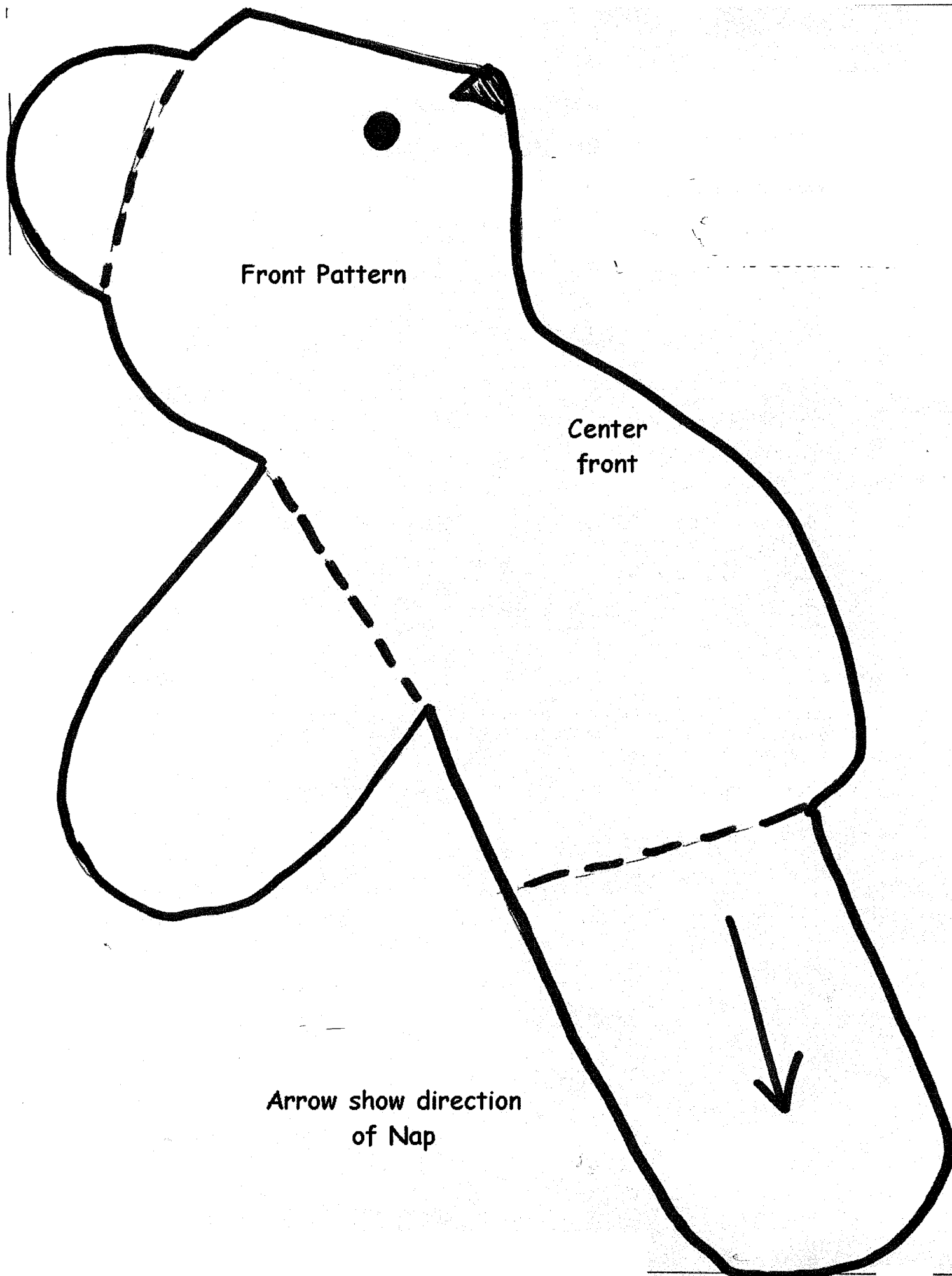
11. Stitch on the buttons for eyes if you have not used shanked ones. pluck out any fur that's got trapped in the seams



12. If you have not used a plastic nose you will need to plan the nose shape. You can easily create a natural looking nose by stitching a triangle on to the muzzle, and then filling it in with vertical stitches. you may find it easier to cut a triangle from a piece of black felt and then sticking it on the bear before stitching over it, this will stop any fur poking through your stitching and give the nose a neat finish. Using a (Y) shape for the nose allows you to lead down to a mouth nicely.



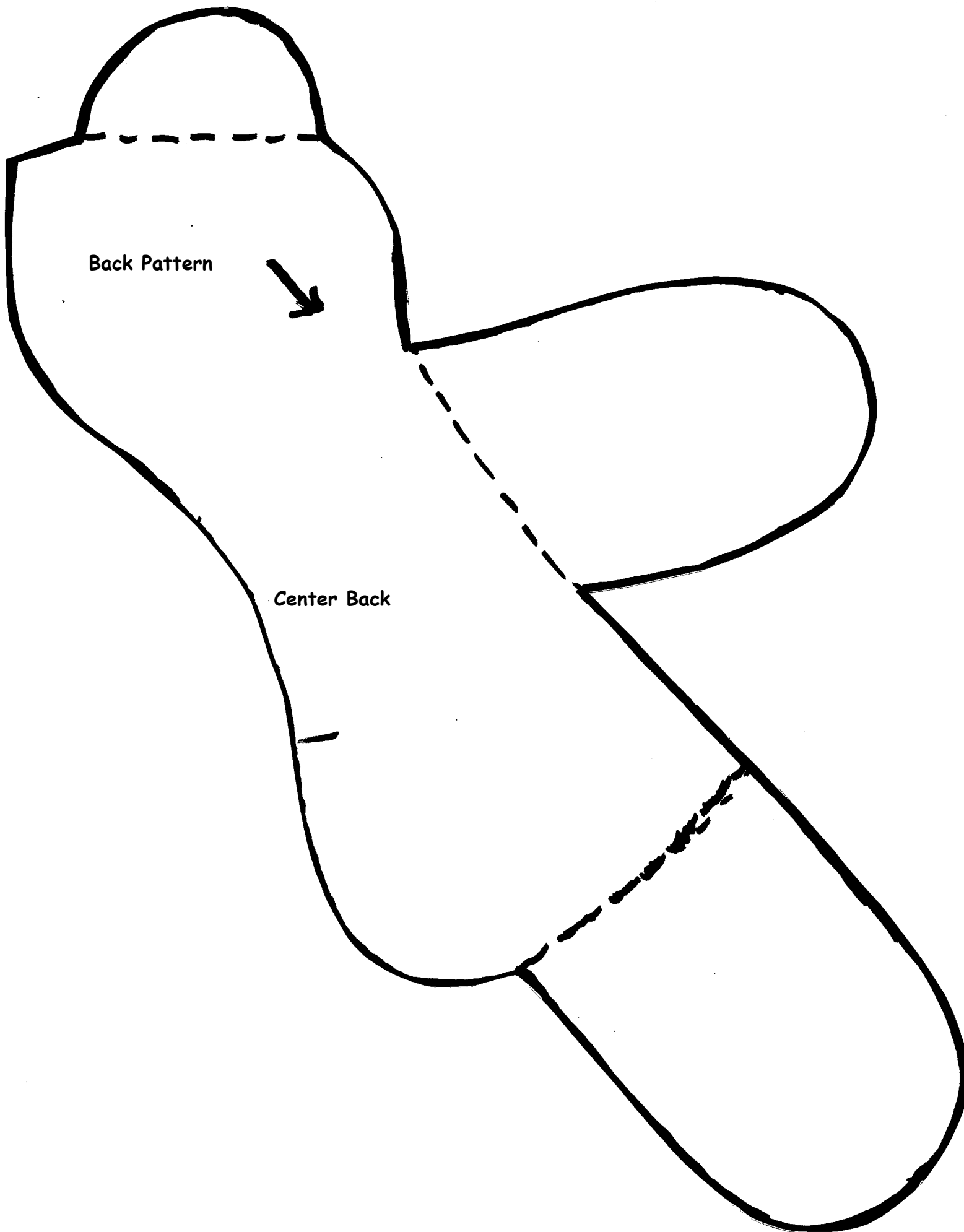
13. Finally, finish Cloverbud bear off with a posh new ribbon.



Front Pattern

Center
front

Arrow show direction
of Nap



Back Pattern



Center Back

