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Borders, Celebrate You – Graduation Card

Color Scheme: Bravo Burgundy, Bashful Blue, Certainly Celery, Whisper White

Celebrating life events and the Color Refresh change of colors (otherwise known as clearing Stash)

Layers and texture is what we are all about today. This card is perfect for graduation, birthday or just to send to a friend you appreciate. Of course you may want to create yours with current Stampin' Up colors.

Supplies

Stamps: Fabulous Phrases, Suggestions for interior: Pure Gumption, Word Play, Pursuit of Happiness

Ink: Bravo Burgundy, Early Espresso, Soft Suede

Paper: Bravo Burgundy (4"x11"), Bashful Blue (2-1/4"x 3-3/4"), Certainly Celery (3-1/2" x 1-3/4" & 3-1/2" x 1-1/4"), Whisper White (3-1/4" x 1-1/2")

Punches: Itty Bitty Shapes Punch Pack

Other: Simply Scored, Borders Scoring Plate, Jewels Basics Rhinestones, 3/8" Whisper White Or Crumb Cake ribbon, Big Shot, Square Lattice Embossing Folder, Flower Fusion Sizzlit, Apothecary Accent Framelit, Label Framelit (used for the inside of the Card on a quarter sheet of Whisper White).

Directions

- 1) Score card base at 5-1/2", crease with bone folder. Base is a narrower 4"x 5-1/2"
- 2) Using the new Borders Scoring Plate on the Simply Scored base, add a pattern to the narrow left hand side of the Bashful Blue layer piece (you'll actually be scoring on the right hand side). Small zig zags or scallops with dots are suggested. Leave space for the Certainly Celery and Whisper White pieces to fit. To score, use short, firm strokes and go over the pattern several times pressing fairly hard. Remember that it will be the "back" side that will be face up so it will look like you are scoring backwards to achieve the pattern you want. You may want to use a scrap piece to try the pattern out and get a feel for how the board works. Here's an excellent couple of videos on how to use the board:
http://youtu.be/4nmomT1p_VQ - Stampin' Up video
<http://youtu.be/TjBrJbGdFKg> - Excellent tips for success by Kay Kalthoff (if you only watch one... watch this one!).
- 3) Run the two Certainly Celery Pieces through the Square Lattice Embossing Folder with the Big Shot using the Tab 1 setting on the platform.
- 4) Stamp the Fabulous Phrases collage image onto the Whisper White piece in Soft Suede Classic Ink. Adhere to the larger Certainly Celery embossed piece. If you have clear mount stamps you can set the words up on one single block and stamp over and over.
- 5) Adhere the smaller Certainly Celery piece to the Bashful Blue border scored piece. Decide what flowers or decorative die cuts and punch pieces you want to use. Layer and adhere your flowers using dimensionals or other adhesives.
- 6) Adhere itty bitty shape punch pieces to the sentiment piece to separate the Celebrate from the other words. Add rhinestones to centers if you wish.
- 7) Tie ribbon around card – centered or at edge – and create a flat knot type bow.
- 8) Die cut the Framelit shape you prefer for the interior of card using Whisper White scraps – Apothecary Accent or Label Framelit is recommended. Decorate interior of card using various stamps and the envelope too as you desire.



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