

SNOHOMISH COUNTY
MAKE AND TAKE FOR THE STANWOOD FAIR

Stanwood is located in Snohomish County and has a local fair the first weekend in August. Snohomish County CTA's have been participating for at least the past 7 years with a Make and Take table for kids of all ages to sit down and stuff a simple shaped item and then whip stitch shut the closure by hand. We have had a variety of simple animals, sea life, and vegetables to choose from, but the kids like the animals and sea life the best. Our process goes:

1. CTA's enter a contest of possible critters/shapes in the Spring, and one or two winners are picked by vote.
2. A work party is held to cut out and sew together about 300 of the winners. They are stitched right-sides together, then turned and an opening is left to stuff.
3. At the fair, the children get to stuff the critter, and a CTA shows them how to whip stitch the closing so they can take it home.

Returning kids look forward to this, and many of them are proud to tell us they have a whole collection of critters from the very beginning. New kids and even adults really enjoy the project.

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