

HOW TO MAKE A TEAM BANNER

Materials for Banner:

- Felt Material – 1¼ yards – Approx. Cost \$5.00

This material can be found at a local fabric store (Jo-Ann Fabrics, Wal-Mart). It is purchased by the yard off of a bolt. It is generally 72" wide. This piece will be the background of the banner and is generally the color of the team uniforms. However, your banner can be the regions' colors, which are navy, blue and silver.

- Sheet Felt for Letters and/or Graphics – Approx. Cost \$0.25 a Sheet

This material can be found at the fabric or craft stores. It comes in a wide range of colors. It can be glued on with craft glue, such as a craft Tacky Glue, or you can make it an iron-on by adding a product called Heat-N-Bond to the back. Self adhesive felt can also be purchased in black and white.

- Optional: Self Adhesive letters – Approx. Cost \$2.99 a Bag

These are available at most craft stores and can be used to add the players & coach's names to the banner. They usually are only available in white or black and are usually 2" high. These make adding names easier, but are not a good choice for sponsor name and team's name as they are too small.

Directions:

1. Lay out the banner background fabric and pin a 3" seam on each side.
2. Sew these seams along the edge with a sewing machine to make "pockets."
3. Cut each corner off at a diagonal. Finished piece should be approx. 66" x 39"
4. Attach Team Name, Sponsor's Name, Players First Names & Coach's Names using the cut felt in the method you desire.

Tip: To make BIG letter templates for the team name, use a word processor program on the computer and make them as BIG as ½ sheet or a whole sheet of paper. Print the letters in reverse for a cutting pattern.

Tip: The internet is a good place to find graphic/picture patterns. Just "Google" soccer graphics, or your team mascot. Kid's coloring books are also a great source for each pattern you can use for graphics on your banner.



HOW TO MAKE A BANNER STAND

Materials for banner stand: (Before making one, ask other parents & coach if they have one left over from a previous year)

- 3/4" PVC, schedule 40: 2 pieces, 10 ft long—(Home Depot or Lowe's) Approx. \$1.99 a piece
- (2) 3/4" corners—Approx. cost: 50 ¢ each
- (2) 3/4" "T" joint pieces—Approx. cost: 50 ¢ each
- (2) pieces "rebar"

Cutting Directions:

1. Cut each piece of PVC at 66" long. These 2 pieces are the top and bottom bars of the stand.
2. Cut each piece of PVC at 39" long. These are the side pieces of the stand.
3. You should have 2 pieces left over that are 15" long. These are the legs of the stand.

Assembly:

1. The top and bottom pieces of PVC would slip into the top and bottom "pockets" of the banner.
2. The side pieces should slip into the side pockets of the banner.
3. The 3/4" corners go on the top corners of the frame
4. The 3/4" "T" joints go at the bottom corners of the frame and the legs slip into these.
5. The "rebar" is pounded into the ground and the legs slip onto them to hold the frame upright.

