Frisco Library Activities at Home

Make your Own Paper Lanterns

Supplies:

- Construction paper
- Scissors
- Tape
- Stapler
- Ruler
- Pencil
- Glue, glitter, sequins (optional)

Instructions:

- 1. Use your ruler to measure and cut one inch off the short end of your paper. Do not throw out. Fold paper in half lengthwise (photo 1).
- 2. Draw a line one inch from the end of the long edge of the paper opposite the folded edge. This will be the line where you *stop* cutting.
- Measure and mark lines one inch apart starting at the folded edge and moving towards the "stop cutting" line (photo 2.) Cut on the marked lines. Unfold paper (photo 3.)
- 4. Match the long edges together on the lantern and use tape to hold it in place (photo 4.)
- 5. Using leftover strip of paper from step 1, staple the handle to the top of the lantern (photo 5.)
- 6. Make several lanterns, decorate as desired, and hang throughout the house.

