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**Developing Creative Thinking in School Students through National  
Embroidery-Based Design Projects**

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**Abstract:** This article examines the role of national embroidery-based design projects in fostering creative thinking among school students. Incorporating traditional embroidery into practical art projects not only enhances students' artistic skills but also develops problem-solving abilities, aesthetic awareness, and cultural identity. The article discusses pedagogical approaches, project organization, and the integration of traditional patterns into modern design. Research shows that embroidery-based projects provide a holistic platform for nurturing creativity, critical thinking, and cultural appreciation in students.

**Keywords:** National embroidery, creative thinking, school students, design projects, aesthetic development, artistic education, cultural heritage, problem-solving, pedagogical approach, innovation.

National embroidery is an integral part of Uzbekistan's cultural heritage, embodying centuries of artistic knowledge and traditional craftsmanship. Integrating embroidery into school design projects offers students a unique opportunity to explore traditional motifs while developing their creative thinking, aesthetic appreciation, and cultural awareness.

Design projects based on embroidery patterns encourage students to apply artistic principles in practical contexts. Students engage in activities such as creating decorative items, designing clothing elements, or developing interior accessories that reflect traditional motifs. This hands-on approach cultivates both technical skills and higher-order thinking, as students must adapt traditional designs to contemporary contexts while maintaining aesthetic balance and cultural authenticity.

By participating in embroidery-based projects, students learn to analyze and interpret traditional motifs, understand the symbolism behind patterns, and make informed design decisions. Floral patterns often represent nature and life, while geometric forms symbolize harmony and order. Colors are chosen carefully to evoke specific emotions, reinforcing both aesthetic and psychological understanding. Through experimentation with patterns, scale, composition, and color schemes, students enhance their problem-solving abilities and creative reasoning.

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The projects also promote interdisciplinary learning. Students explore art history, cultural studies, and design theory alongside practical embroidery techniques. This integration ensures that students develop a holistic understanding of traditional art, while simultaneously cultivating critical thinking, innovation, and cultural literacy. Collaborative projects further enhance communication skills, teamwork, and peer learning, allowing students to appreciate diverse perspectives and design approaches.

Modern tools, such as digital design software, can complement traditional embroidery techniques. Students can stylize patterns digitally, simulate their projects on various products, and experiment with color and composition before executing the final piece. This blend of traditional craft and modern technology prepares students for contemporary creative industries and encourages innovative thinking.

Research indicates that students engaged in embroidery-based design projects demonstrate improved creativity, artistic competence, and cultural appreciation. These projects enable students to transform theoretical knowledge into practical applications, fostering independence, decision-making, and self-expression. They also encourage students to value their national heritage, preserving traditional motifs while experimenting with contemporary interpretations.

In conclusion, integrating national embroidery into design projects is an effective pedagogical strategy to develop creative thinking in school students. It combines cultural education, artistic practice, and cognitive development, providing a rich and engaging learning environment that nurtures innovation, aesthetic sensibility, and cultural awareness.

Organizing practical workshops and design projects based on national embroidery for school students and young designers holds significant pedagogical, artistic, and cultural value. Such projects help students develop creative thinking, aesthetic taste, color harmony skills, and a strong sense of cultural identity.

Through experimental projects and hands-on training, students learn to select traditional patterns, apply them in modern design, develop compositional solutions, and solve practical design challenges. These activities also foster independent decision-making, creative reasoning, and artistic potential.

As a result, practical workshops and design projects based on national embroidery serve as an effective tool for the artistic, aesthetic, pedagogical, and cultural development of young designers, while also playing a vital role in preserving and transmitting national heritage to future generations.

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