**Serged Seam Finish-1**

The serged seam can be used on a variety of garments. It is suitable for woven fabrics, but it can be used with knits, too because the seam will stretch. Because some of the seam allowance will be cut off after the seam is sewn, you must be sure of the fit before you stitch.

Follow these steps to make a Serged seam sample:

**You will need 2-4” by 8” pieces of sample fabric for this seam.**

1. Pin right sides together with the two 8” sides together. Be sure there are enough pins to hold the edges in place. Stitch a regular seam at the 5/8” mark. (Don’t forget to backstitch!)
2. Serge the edge lining it up with the edge of the throat plate on the serger.
3. Press the seam allowance to the side.

**\*\*\*Staple your finished sample to this page and turn it in to the bin for your class period at the front of the room.\*\*\***

**SERGER RULES:**

* **Never** use pins with the serger. You will damage the machine and also could injure yourself.
* No NOT lift the presser foot.
* Do NOT change any dials or settings.
* Run the machine at a SLOW, STEADY pace.
* ALWAYS leave a 2” or more thread chain (tail) behind the presser foot. This is done by continuing to “chain-out” after your stitching has been completed.
* ALWAYS use scissors or thread cutter to cut the serger chain.
* If the machine jams or a thread breaks, do not remove your fabric or try to fix the machine. Call the Mrs. K and WAIT for help.