4-H Learn from Home Activity: Origami – Traditional Crane

Materials Needed:
- Square piece of paper, any size, but 8.5”x8.5” is easiest
- Markers, crayons or colored pencils

Instructions:
Take a square piece of paper and draw or color a design on one side of the paper.

Follow the attached instruction sheet for folding a traditional origami crane. Once you have successfully folded one crane, try using different size squares of paper and different types of paper (printer paper, wrapping paper, lined paper, receipts, gum wrappers).

Challenge: What’s the tiniest crane you can fold?

Reflective Questions:
- What was your favorite part of this activity?
- What was most challenging?
- What type of paper worked best? Why?

Extensions of this activity:
- Search online for more challenging shapes to fold.