

Souris Regional High School
Styles of Popular Music (Music 801)
Course Outline

Course Goal

To develop an understanding and an appreciation of the many facets of popular music including the creative and not-so creative musical elements, popular music's variety of styles, the relationship between music and society, music and musical theatrics, popular music's performers, songs, albums, and popular music's historical significance.

General Topics:

- What is popular music? What is rock and roll?
- Musical Elements
- The 50's (rhythm & blues, pop, country and western)
- The 60's (The Beatles, folk music, acid rock, Rolling Stones)
- The 70's (disco, heavy metal, jazz-fusion, soft rock)

Evaluation

Class behaviour/participation	10%
Written Work	20%
Tests	20%
Portfolio	20%
Exam	30%

Late Arrival Policy

Any student who has not arrived to class, with the appropriate materials, by the time the second bell has rung (when applicable), will be deemed late. This student will require a signed note from the office explaining their late arrival to be permitted into class and will lose one class mark. Students with an excused late note (from parents) will not lose a class mark.

Cell Phone Policy

In accordance with the Eastern School District's policy concerning cell phone use, cell phones are not permitted for use on school premises. To ensure this policy is followed, students will be asked to place their cell phone in the "cell phone bucket" at the beginning of each class. Immediately following the end of class, students may retrieve their phone from the bucket.