

Social Studies 7

To all parents/guardians & students:

Please read over the following information with your son/daughter to ensure an understanding of our expectations. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the school (467-3800) or visit the school's website to contact teachers via email.

I understand that in Social class I am expected to:

- come to class on time with my textbook, binder, assignments & supplies.
- keep track of assignments, tests, be prepared for exams and be in class on exam days.
- stay on task and complete all assigned work.
- Current Events will be discussed and studied throughout the year, and students are expected to keep informed on events.
- refrain from distracting other students during class.
- check the teacher's website, homework board and Google classroom for work missed and due dates.

Assessment

- Report card marks (of learning) in Social are based on tests, written work, projects, presentations, mapping, & the final exam in June.
- For learning practices include; but are not limited to, textbook questions, small written assignments, mapping, discussions etc.
- The final exam may include material from the entire year.

Assessment Policy in EIPS. With the assessment policy in Elk Island schools, students will be encouraged to show their learning and understanding in a variety of ways.

- Marks during the year will be determined based on cumulative work
- Student learning may be demonstrated by tests, written work, projects, presentations and other opportunities for learning
- Students may be given an opportunity to show additional learning with alternative assignments
- Formative assessments will be recorded for information purposes, but will not be used in determining a students' report card mark
- Students will be given every opportunity to hand in assignments and all students will be expected to hand every assignment in; should a student not hand an assignment in, they will be expected to give up lunch hour(s) or time after school to complete assignment(s)
- *Elk Island Public schools has an assessment policy which allows students (as per teacher discretion) to re-do or re-write some assessments, in order for the student to demonstrate their best learning. Some assessments, such as midterm or final exams are exempt from this. * *Please see the school website and click on the Guide to Reporting Student Achievement link for more information.*

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Course Description

How has Canada changed over time? What kinds of changes have there been and why? Students will explore the people and events that led to Canadian Confederation, and the major changes in Canadian life since then that have shaped citizenship and identity in our diverse society. For more information about Grade 7 Social Studies, refer to the program of studies.

Category	Category Description	Weighting With Cumulative Assessment
Towards Confederation (Canada pre-1867)	Students demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of the distinct roles of, and the relationships among, the Aboriginal, French and British peoples in forging the foundations of Canadian Confederation.	63%
Following Confederation (Post-1867)	Students demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of how the political, demographic, economic and social changes that have occurred since Confederation have presented challenges and opportunities for individuals and communities.	27%
Cumulative assessment, 10% is the weighting.		10%

Course Supplies Required

- 1-inch binder, 3 dividers & lined paper
- blue/black pen(s), pencil, eraser.

Textbook: Our Canada

Students are responsible for the textbook assigned to them during the year. Should a student damage or lose their textbook, they will be responsible to paying the cost to replace it. Average replacement costs for Social textbooks is \$70.

Students & parents need to recognize that reading (both in & outside of school) is one of the best strategies they can do to help themselves be successful in Social Studies.

Course Outline for the Year

September- March--Toward Confederation
March-June--Following Confederation

