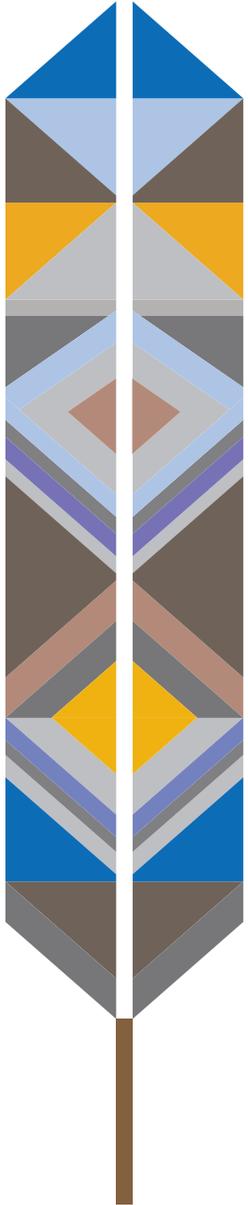


APPENDIX D



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For activities that require lively music or music with a strong beat, here are a few examples of rock 'n' roll, pop, country and blues songs by Aboriginal artists. You can search for these on the Internet, particularly on YouTube. This is just a small sample — there are many other Aboriginal artists, and your school may have CDs or other resources. There may even be artists in your community who are willing to share music with you.

- Indian Car (NDN KAR), by Keith Secola
- Someone Call an Angel Down, or other songs by Derek Miller
- Mahk Jchi, or other songs by Ulali
- A Tribe Called Red has created a unique blend of dance beats with powwow music. Search for this group to find many different songs.
- Young Enough, or other songs by George Leach
- The Code of Handsome Lake, Rattlebone, Stomp Dance, or other songs by Robbie Robertson
- Hina Na Ho, or other songs by Susan Aglukark
- Fiddle music by John Arcand
- An ideal source for contemporary Aboriginal music is the Aboriginal Peoples Choice Music Awards website: www.aboriginalpeopleschoice.com

Some of these DPA activities call for powwow or Iroquois social dance music. Again, many songs are available on the Internet. Some of the more well-known drum groups with albums include:

- Whitefish Bay Singers
- Northern Cree
- Red Bull Singers

There is a distinctive beat and sound to many of the different powwow and Iroquois social dances. Some use large drums, some include rattles or hand drums, some are sung by a group, and others by an individual singer. Music for particular dances, such as the round dance, the smoke dance, and the crow hop, can have very specific sounds. Be sure to search the specific name of the type of song to ensure you will get the right sound and beat.

Cree fiddle music is popular in some regions, particularly northeastern Ontario. There are several accomplished Cree fiddlers, many of whom are from the northern parts of Quebec and Ontario. Their songs can be found on YouTube. Examples of artists include:

- Matthew Mukash
- James Cheechoo
- Ray Spencer

In some regions, flute music is popular. Check out David Maracle or Jason Chamakese as examples.

