

**Use of Feature Films/Videos in the School\*\***

Prior to showing a feature film/video in a school, the instructor must seek the written approval of the building principal. At least seven days prior to the showing, the instructor shall submit to the principal, in writing, the following information on the particular film:

1. Title and brief description;
2. Purpose for the showing;
3. Match with course objectives;
4. Proposed date of showing;
5. When and how parents will be notified (notification, prior consent), if necessary;
6. Audience rating (G, PG, PG-13, R).

**K-6**

Films/videos rated G or PG may be shown as part of the K-6 school program. PG films at grades K-6 may be shown with the approval of the building principal and the parent giving consent for his/her student to view the film. A parent may have the opportunity to preview the film when practicably possible.

Parent notification letters and parental consent letters will be written by the teacher and forwarded to parents at least five days prior to the date of showing and summarize the following information:

1. Title and brief description;
2. Purpose of the showing;
3. Proposed date of showing;
4. Audience rating (PG).

**Grades 7-8**

Films/videos rated G, PG or PG-13 may be shown as part of the 7-8 school program. At grades 7-8 the showing of all feature films and videos with a PG rating requires principal approval and parent notification. PG-13 films may be shown with the approval of the building principal and the parent giving

consent for his/her student to view the film. A parent may have the opportunity to preview the film when practicably possible.

Parents may be notified at the beginning of the term/semester in writing by the teacher with a list of feature films and videos to be shown during the term/semester or notified at least five days prior to each individual showing of a feature film or video with the approximate date of showing, purpose and audience rating (PG).

Parent consent letters for PG-13 written by the teacher and forwarded to parents at least five days prior to the showing will include the title, purpose, date of showing and audience rating (PG-13).

### **Grades 9-12**

At grades 9-12 the showing of all feature films and videos with a PG-13 rating requires principal approval and parent notification. R-rated films may be shown with the approval of the building principal and the parent giving consent for his/her student to view the film. A parent may have the opportunity to preview the film when practicably possible.

Parents may be notified at the beginning of the term/semester in writing by the teacher with a list of feature films and videos to be shown during the term/semester or notified at least five days prior to each individual showing of a feature film or video with the approximate date of showing, purpose, and audience rating (PG-13).

Parent consent letters for R-rated feature films and videos written and forwarded to parents at least five days prior to the showing by the teacher will include the title, purpose, date of showing and audience rating (R).

Edited, unrated or foreign films/videos will be shown with the approval of the building administrator.

No student shall be required to participate in the viewing of a feature film/video. A written objection by parents will excuse the student with no disciplinary consequences.

Instructors are required to preview all feature films/videos before showing to students.

## Feature Film/Video Presentation Approval

Date of request: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of presentation: \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher: \_\_\_\_\_ Course or grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Film/Video Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Audience Rating (G, PG, PG-13, R): \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description of video/film:

Purpose for presentation:

Course objectives supported by presentation:

When and how will parents be notified (notification, prior consent)?

Showing the above film/video is:  Approved  Refused

\_\_\_\_\_  
Principal's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date