

<b>Saint Helens School District 502</b>
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Code: **IIABB-AR**  
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### **Use of Feature Films/Videos in the School\*\***

Feature films that have both criteria stated in the policy may be shown under the following guidelines:

1. Elementary students may view G rated films. Films rated PG may be viewed only with prior approval of the building principal and written parental consent.
2. Middle school students may view films with a G rating. Films with a PG rating require parent notification. Films rated PG-13 may be viewed only with prior approval of the principal and written parental consent. R-rated films may not be shown in the middle school.
3. High school students may view films with a G and PG rating. Films with a PG-13 rating requires parent notification. Films rated R shall only be viewed with prior principal and Board approval and written parental consent.

For films requiring approval of the building principal, the instructor is expected to provide the building principal the following information and receive written permission prior to viewing.

1. Title and brief description;
2. Educational purpose for showing, i.e. how the film relates to the course objectives;
3. Proposed dates of showing;
4. When and how parents will be notified or, if necessary, grant consent;
5. Movie rating of the film and reason for rating if PG-13 or R;
6. Alternate lesson/film for students who do not receive parental permission and a reason for not selecting as the primary film.

R-rated films require additional Board approval. Films reviewed and approved by the principal shall be submitted to the Board in the form of a recommendation at least one month in advance of showing.

Information provided by the instructor to the principal shall be made available to the Board as part of the approval process.

Edited or un-rated films may be shown only with prior administrative approval.

Students who do not receive parental consent to view a film will be given an alternative assignment/film that teaches the same or similar course objectives. There shall be no adverse impact on a student's grade because of his/her inability to view the original film/video.