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Policy 627

627 MOVIE POLICY

I. PURPOSE

Video/DVD/TV materials use in classrooms selection guidelines for K-12:

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. For grades K-6, only videos, DVD's, and TV programming that are rated G, PG, or TV Y-7 should be used.
- B. For grades 7-8, only videos, DVD's and TV programming that rated G, PG, TV Y-7 may be shown without parental notification. Showing TV-Y7-FV can be done without parental permission. All TV-PG, and PG-13 requires parent notification. Notification should include a parent permission/principal notification form with a minimum of a one week notice. TV-14, TV-MA, R, and NC-17 cannot be shown to this age group.
- C. For grades 9-12, only videos, DVD's and TV programming that are rated G, PG, PG-13, TV-Y7-FV and TV-PG may be shown without parental notification. Parents must be notified in advance of a scheduled showing of an R-rated movie. NC-17 movies cannot be shown at the high school level.

III. REQUIREMENTS

- A. For movies with parent notification, any student who opts not to watch the movie, either by parent or student request, may be required to complete an alternative assignment. There will be no grade penalty for opting not to view the movie.
- B. When a lengthy bus trip is planned, the adult advisor/coach/chaperone for the group making the trip is responsible for using the guidelines above when showing videos. Videos should be appropriate for the youngest audience member.
- C. All educational movies purchased through education companies, which coincide with chosen curriculum, are deemed usable at any time without parent notification.



IV. GUIDELINES

- A. Use of standard parent notification form is required for usage of items outside of ratings guidelines
- B. Movie Policy and guidelines should be included in substitute teacher folder
- C. Informing parents early is important-providing a syllabus with movies featured at the beginning of the year or trimester is advised.