



Administrative Procedure: Movies During In-Class Instruction

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The statements below apply to television shows and full length mainstream movies that have been shown in theatres and excludes educational videos that are available from TV Ontario (www.tvo.org), and short clips from movies or television shows.

Students should not be allowed to view videos that contain:

- graphic violence
- nudity
- sexual innuendo, implied or explicit sexual activity
- horror scenes or grotesque images
- coarse language or slurs directed to specific segments of society

All videos shown to students must be age appropriate. The Ontario Film Rating Board guidelines must be consulted when determining whether a movie is appropriate for classroom use. No movie with a restricted or X rating may be shown in its entirety.

Before any movie is viewed, the Teacher and Principal/Vice-Principal must ensure that it is in compliance with the Audio Ciné Films and Visual Education Centre Agreement and that all paperwork required of that agreement has been completed.

The Teacher showing a movie or show must preview it before use with the students.

There are times when a movie clip may be used as a teaching tool to demonstrate racism, sexism, or consumerism. These clips must be chosen with the age of the students in mind and presented within the Catholic view of a person and the common good.

When showing an entire movie or television show, the Teacher is required to submit a plan (Appendix A) to the Principal/Vice-Principal indicating:

- Teacher name, grade, the planned date and time for viewing
- movie title
- movie rating obtained from the Ontario Film Review Board (ofrb)
- synopsis or context of the movie clip
- curriculum expectations addressed or educational purpose

Once approved, this plan will be retained by the Teacher. It is recommended that parents are informed of the purpose of viewing a full length movie.

Before viewing a movie, students must participate in an anticipatory lesson explaining the context of the movie and the explicit purpose of watching it. It must be clear that the movie is not being used for entertainment.

Appendix A

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Name of Teacher: _____

Grade(s) Viewing: ____

Title: _____

Rating: _____

Planned Date & Time of Viewing: _____

Synopsis or Content: _____

Curriculum Expectations Addressed or Educational Purpose:

- I have previewed the movie/tv show and find it age appropriate and suitable for students.

Teacher Signature: _____ Date: _____

Principal/Vice-Principal Signature: _____ Date: _____