

Use of Feature Films/Videos

The Board recognizes the showing of commercially produced and rated feature films and videos may have a legitimate purpose in a school's educational program. However, since the content of these feature films customarily is designed for general audience viewing, the Board feels certain precautions should be taken to ensure the showing of a particular film is consistent with the educational values espoused by the district. Generally, only films rated G, PG or PG-13 may be shown as part of the school program.

The Board recognizes that occasionally a film rated "R" may serve to enrich district curriculum. Accordingly, such films may be shown only upon teacher request and with prior administrator approval.

Administrators shall require that for any approved showing of an R rated film, teachers send a specific permission note home to parents. Prior written parental permission shall be required for a student to watch the film. Students whose parents do not wish them to see a particular film must be provided with an alternative assignment with no grade penalty.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 332.107