

MEMO**To: K-12 Principals and Vice-Principals****From: Pat Duncan****Re: Use of Feature Films****Date: February 24, 2015**

This memo is a review of district guidelines and practices regarding the use of feature films in schools. Please ensure all teaching staff are aware of the information below.

1. Use of Feature Films

The Board expects judgment and sensitivity be utilized when selecting feature films for student viewing. In particular, films which contain sexually suggestive, violent or vulgar content must be carefully previewed by the classroom teacher prior to student viewing.

Parents who would like more information about which feature films their children may view in a particular class are encouraged to speak with the classroom teacher. On request from an individual parent, teachers will advise that parent of what films they expect to show and discuss any parental concerns. If the teacher later decides to use a different feature film that was not discussed with the parent, the parent will be advised in advance.

2. Feature Films Licensing

- Our district has public performance rights (purchased through Audio Cine Films Inc. and Visual Education Centre Limited). These licenses cover almost all feature length films.
- In December, March, and June, schools submit a record of the films shown to the above mentioned companies, both of which have tracking sheets posted online.
Audio Cine Films: http://www.acf-film.com/documents/ACF_EN_Report.pdf
Visual Education Centre Ltd: http://www.criterionpic.com/034/lcl_ppa.html