

Infinity Charter School

SECTION: PROGRAMS

TITLE: USE OF MOVIES

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204. USE OF MOVIES

Purpose:

Infinity Charter School recognizes that the showing of movies to students enhances their educational experience. The selection of movies should be of the highest quality/content and appropriate for age and/or grade level.

Definition:

The term “movies” does not include instructional videos used as a central element of the curriculum and is governed by the Procedures outlined below.

Procedures:

The use of movies shall correlate and enhance the educational program.

When showing a movie which requires parental permission, staff shall notify parents/guardians in writing at least five (5) days in advance. Such notification should include:

1. the name of the movie and its rating;
2. rationale for showing the movie;
3. the description of an alternative activity if permission is not granted by the parent/guardian; *and*
4. a permission form which requires the signature of a parent/guardian

This procedure shall apply to all K-12 programs, and to all Before and After School Programs sponsored by the District.

“The Code of Self-Regulation” of the Motion Picture Association establishes the following ratings:

G All ages admitted. General audiences.

PG All ages admitted. Parental guidance suggested. Some material may not be suitable for pre-teenagers.

PG-13 Parents are strongly cautioned to give special guidance for children under 13. Some material may be inappropriate for young children.

R Restricted. Under 17 requires accompanying parent or adult guardian.

X No one under 17 admitted. (Age may vary in some areas)

The chart below shall guide the selection of movies:

(NOTE! NO X-rated, NC-17 or R-rated movies shall be shown at any grade level.)

Grade Level	G	PG	PG-13	R
K - 5	No prior permission required.	Prior permission is required.	May not be shown at these grade levels.	May not be shown at these grade levels.
6-8	No prior permission required.	Prior permission is required.	Prior permission is required.	May not be shown at these grade levels.
9-12	No prior permission required.	No prior permission required.	No prior permission required.	May not be shown at these grade levels.