Use of Video Instructional Resources

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Quality video material for instructional purposes is available from the school library media center as well as a variety of outside sources. While the selection of video material is primarily the responsibility of the principal/teacher, the Board recognizes some video material may not be appropriate for certain students.

Therefore, when considering video material for student viewing, the principal/teacher will exercise caution as follows:

- Video material must directly support and be integrated into curriculum standards and benchmarks.
- Video material should be appropriate for the maturation level of students.
- Within the context of 1 and 2, any video material from the District Video Library may be used.
- The principal/teacher will evaluate, before use, any material, i.e. film, video tape, digital file, video disc, television program, etc., a staff member plans to use with students not previously approved and/or purchased by the District.
- Video presentations of classic literature and historical events may contain objectionable language or depiction of violence. While the Board recognizes material of this type may have a valid educational purpose, it cautions teachers to use discretion and be sensitive to parental concerns.
- It is important to note that parents/guardians should have the right to request their child be excluded from viewing material they consider objectionable. Prior to showing videos which contain language or scenes some may consider objectionable, permission slips will be sent out to allow parents/guardians the opportunity to exclude their child from participation. Any student whose parent/guardian chooses to exclude their child from viewing any material shall receive from their classroom teacher appropriate academic work for the time period that the student is out of the classroom.
- The use of recorded video material should not be in violation of copyright law.