

## Audiovisual Material

Through the Region XI Education Service Center, Denton ISD subscribes to Discover Education. Streaming videos in this resource are aligned to the curriculum and many have accompanying teacher guides. Check with the campus librarian for information or assistance with this resource.

## Classroom Video Guidelines

Teachers have the responsibility to preview and evaluate any video, film, or movie prior to use in the classroom or assigned for viewing outside the classroom. Teachers/librarians are strongly encouraged to use good sound judgment, extreme caution and appropriate decision making regarding the usage of any videotapes, streaming videos or on-line videos in any classroom setting. The age of the students should always be considered when making these decisions.

Teachers should consider the value of the instructional time dedicated to viewing videos/films and should carefully relate the content of the video/film to the specified objectives of the class. The curriculum correlation must be demonstrated in the lesson plan. Teachers are encouraged to communicate to parents how videos relate to learning content. No film rented or purchased that includes a notice that the film is intended for “home use only” shall be shown to a class for entertainment purposes. **Prior to showing any commercially produced video (VHS, DVD, etc.), The teacher will notify the campus principal on a form to be provided by the district of the date of the showing and the purpose/instructional intent of the activity. This requirement is in addition to the documentation required in the lesson plans.**

The motion picture rating system will serve as a minimum guide for age appropriateness of commercial videos/films. Video clips will be judged on the same basis as the video from which the clip came. If the video in entirety is not age appropriate, then a clip from the video is not appropriate either.

G.....All grade levels, no parent permission

PG.....Only grades 6 through 12

PG-13.....Only grades 6 through 12; parent permission required for middle school students

**R.....Not acceptable at any grade level**

**X .....Not acceptable at any grade level**

## TV Ratings

The following ratings apply to television shows which you may wish to broadcast in your classroom:

Programs designed for children:

**TVY.....All children**—this program is designed to be appropriate for all children.

**TVY7.....Directed to Older Children**—This program is designed for children age 7 and older. It may contain intense fantasy violence (TVY7FV).

Other TV Ratings:

**TVG.....General Audience**—Most parents would find this program suitable for all ages.

**TVPG.....Parental Guidance Suggested**—Some parents would find this program unsuitable for younger children. It may contain moderate violence (TVPGV); sexual situations (TVPGS); infrequent coarse language (TVPGL); suggestive dialogue (TVPGD); or any combination thereof, such as (TVPGVSLD).

**TV14.....Parent Strongly Cautioned**—Many parents would find this program unsuitable for children under 14 years of age. It may contain intense violence (TV14V); intense sexual situations (TV14S); strong coarse language (TV14L); intensely suggestive dialogue (TV14D); or any combination thereof, such as (TV14VSLD).

**TVMA.....Mature Audience Only**—This program is specifically designed to be viewed by adults and therefore may be unsuitable for children under 17. It may contain graphic violence (TVMAV); explicit sexual activity (TVMAS); crude indecent language (TVMAL); or any combination thereof, such as (TVMAVSL).