

Instructional Material

1. No “X”, “R”, “NC-17” or “PG-13” films will be used in the Lowell School District.
2. Only “G” rated films or films supplied by the ESD may be shown in grades K-8. (Note: This means no unrated films may be used unless they come from the ESD library.)
3. Films with a “PG” rating may be used in grades 9-12 providing the evaluation procedures are followed as approved by the Board.
4. Edited films are to maintain their original rating and use granted based solely on that rating.
5. The teacher may exercise the following procedures to expedite the review process when video recorded material, with no rating, must be used and erased within the time limitations imposed by copyright laws. Since the normal review process will not be used, the material must be of general nature, and if it were rated, would probably have a “G” rating.
 - a. The teacher shall completed the District Instructional Material Evaluation Request form. Item 14 (alternative assignments) shall not be required.
 - b. The form must be submitted to the Superintendent who will exercise one of the following options. Regardless of the option selected the process must be completed within five school days from the date the form is submitted to the Superintendent.
 1. Determine appropriateness based on the information provided on the request.
 2. Preview the material and make a decision as to suitability for the target audience.
 3. Appoint a designee to preview film, this could be a Board member, administrator, District patron or a teacher.
 4. Set up a three person committee to preview. One member to be a District patron.
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6. Video news recordings may be shown as long as the material has been previewed by the teacher prior to classroom use and discretion used as to appropriateness for target audience.