

Government I&II

Hello Again,

This time I would like to discuss the use of movies in my classroom. In the past, I have used various movies to assist me in engaging the students in the curriculum. I like to use movies to enhance the learning process. Many students are visual learners and all of them benefit from having visuals to supplement readings, lectures and research. I do not show “fluff” or movies that have little to do with the curriculum. I also avoid explicit sexual content though at times characters may reference inappropriate things. I may however show socially controversial material. Many households have strong value systems which I will in no way try to eradicate but I do ask my students to examine topics from all angles and analyze what they find. Rough language can also be present in some of the movies we will watch. In the past, I have shown movies or parts of movies such as *Thank you for Smoking*, *Wag the Dog*, *Hotel Rwanda*, *30 Days*, *Sicko*, and many others. I am asking for your trust and permission to show these movies without sending home permission slips each time we watch a movie. It becomes cumbersome and at times students who would have permission to watch a movie may lose or forget their note and are unable to get involved.

I would like this document to act as the permission slip for the entire year. If you comfortable with this arrangement please sign and date below and I ask your student do the same. If you do not want your student to be viewing these films, please sign and date in the appropriate place. An alternative assignment will be given instead of the video assignment.

Thanks again,

Mr. Ring

I Give _____ permission to view all films.

PARENT: _____ DATE: _____

STUDENT: _____ DATE: _____

I DO NOT give _____ permission to view all films.

PARENT: _____ DATE: _____

STUDENT: _____ DATE: _____