

## 596 VIDEO/MOVIE USAGE

## I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish a clear statement regarding the use of videos and movies in and out of the classroom setting at Lewiston Altura Public Schools.

## II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

The school district believes that media technology such as videos and movies can be beneficial to student learning but that limits must be set to maintain appropriate usage.

## III. PROCEDURE

- A. Videos and movies shown in and out of the classroom setting at Lewiston-Altura Public Schools will be age appropriate. If rated by the Motion Picture Association, that rating will be used.
- B. The staff member presenting the video or movie must preview it prior to its presentation to students. If the staff member has any concerns about the content of the video or movie, it is recommended they do not show it and discuss their concern with the building principal.

Movies may be used for educational purposes when the movie's message is directly connected to a learning goal of the approved curriculum. Age-appropriate movies may be shown on a limited basis for celebration or rewards.

- C. If a video or movie is rated R or out of the age-appropriate rating for that group/student, the teacher must get a signed parent permission slip and have alternate activities available. The permission slip shall contain the following:
  - 1. title of video/movie;
  - 2. rating/age appropriateness of the video/movie;
  - 3. when video/movie will be shown;
  - 4. why video/movie is being shown (indicate educational objective);
  - 5. indicate alternative activities;
  - 6. parent signature line;
  - 7. sent home at least seven (7) calendar days in advance of the movie/video showing;
  - 8. if students do not return the permission slip, it should be assumed the parent is giving permission and the student can view the video/movie;
  - 9. encourage parents to visit the class during the video/movie viewing.

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