

# **ST EUPHEMIA COLLEGE**

**K-12**



## **SCREENING OF TV FILMS AND TV PROGRAMS PROCEDURES**

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### Introduction

These Procedures should be read in conjunction with the Screening of TV Films and TV Programs Policy and Copyright Policy and Procedures.

### General Procedures

#### Teacher's Guidelines for the Screening of Films and Television Programs

Teachers may show purchased or rented DVDs for curriculum-supported, face-to-face teaching activities.

Teachers may not show purchased or rented DVDs for entertainment, rewards, rainy days, filler, or non-instructional purposes.

#### Teacher's Guidelines for Classification of television/ DVDs

- All audiovisual materials must be previewed by teachers prior to use with students. The reviewer should give particular consideration to classification guidelines and to the suitability of the material in the educational context and the age and maturity of the intended audience.
- The use of classified films and programs in schools requires the approval of the Principal/Delegated Authority.
- The classification system is based on the following symbols:
  - **G** material classified for general viewing.
  - **PG** material classified requiring parental guidance. The Principal/Delegated Authority are approved to provide this guidance.
  - **M** material classified for mature audiences, **15 years and over**. Decisions about whether the use of M classified films, television materials in the school will be approved must be made by the Principal/Delegated Authority. The Principal/Delegated Authority may delegate the task of previewing the material to an appropriate member of the staff who will advise the Principal/Delegated Authority as to the suitability of the material for students use.
  - **MA 15+** should only be considered for students who are **15 years and over**. This classification is legally restricted. The material should have particular relevance to the course of study and should only be considered when other related resource material is unavailable. Under normal circumstance this material will not be used at St Euphemia College.  
Decisions about whether the use of MA 15+ classified films, television materials and computer games in the school will be approved, must be made by the Principal/Delegated Authority.
  - **R 18+ and X 18+** must not be shown to school students under any circumstances.

NB: Teaching staff are not permitted to direct students to watch films that are rated MA+15, at home or other venues without prior approval from the Principal/Delegated Authority. Students must not be directed to watch material with an R18+ classification. When reviewing materials for School use, teaching staff need to be aware of the above classification system and be mindful of cultural and anti discriminatory perspectives. Such perspectives can be incorporated and discussed in the teaching and learning program.