

Forensic Science ~ Movie Permission Form
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Throughout the Forensic Science course, students will have the opportunity to view several films depicting both real-world uses and fictional portrayals of Crime Scene Investigation Techniques. Students may view either all or part of the following films listed below. Due to the rating of several of these films, parental permission is required for students to view all of these films. There are three purposes to this part of the curriculum. The first purpose is to make real-world connections between what the students are learning and practicing inside the classroom to the world around them. The second is for students to gain insight into possible career choices dedicated to Forensic Science. And the third is for students to examine and identify how *Hollywood* and the movie-making industry distort investigative policies, principles, and practices for the public's viewing enjoyment.

This is a listing of videos that MAY be shown in class throughout the course.
The R rating for these movies is due to language and scenes of violence.

Fictional Movies

The Bone Collector, R
Catch Me If You Can, PG-13
Clue, PG
The Silence of the Lambs Series, all 3 rated R
Along Came a Spider, R
The Life of David Gale, R
Mind Hunters, R
Kiss the Girls, R

Documentary Videos

Sherlock Holmes series
The Mind of Serial Killers
Cold Case Files (A&E)
FBI Crime Lab (The History Channel)
Nova Series on Serial Killers
Hunt for the Serial Arsonist
Body Worlds (Phila. exhibit video)
NBC News Documentary on Serial Killers Jeffrey Dahmer & Son of Sam

Along with movies in forensics we can read, write, analyze case studies and crime scenes. Forensics is not about blood and guts and gory pictures. This course is a science class, and we will investigate and discuss grown-up situations in a mature and scientific manner. These items are meant to peak your interest, educate you, and perhaps turn you on to a new and exciting branch of science.

Keeping this in mind there may be times when we watch movies, scenes from movies, read books or articles that may contain explicit descriptions of this material. The purpose is to understand a crime scene and how scientists work through their investigations. The focus is not on the situation but to understand how scientists understand the crime scene and bring it to life from the scene to the lab and in court.

Please be advised that this permission form must be returned for your student to be able to view any of the movies listed above. If you would like your student to view only part of these movies, please indicate which ones you are giving permission to below. Failure to return this form in a timely manner will NOT affect the grade, however the student will be given a separate assignment to complete while the class views and discusses the movie.

Respectfully,

Mr. J Gable – CB South
Ms. B Mattern – CB South
Mr. R. Walsh – CB South
Mr. M McLaughlin- CB South

Parent Signature/Date

Student Signature/Date