

Recommendation of The EDUHSD
R-Rated Film Advisory Committee

Title of Film: ***Born on the Fourth of July***

Reason for R-Rating

Language Violence Sexuality

1. Committee Recommendation to the Board of Trustees:

Adoption as a Supplemental Instructional Material

No Recommendation for Adoption as a Supplemental Instructional Material

Date of Committee Recommendation: August 25, 2003

2. Appropriate Uses of Film/Suggested Curricular Goals/Standards:

This film addresses a period of American history that traces the transformation of "real" soldiers from "hawks" to "doves" and illustrates the treatment of Viet Nam veterans and the impact of the war and social protest on our culture.

U.S. History Standards: Trace the origins and geopolitical consequences (foreign and domestic) of the Cold War and the containment policy, including the Viet Nam War....List the effects of foreign policy on domestic policies and vice versa....

3. Areas of Concern/Conditions Established by Committee for Recommendation:

The committee was concerned about the graphic and potentially disturbing violence depicted in the Viet Nam battle scene and the pervasive use of profanity.

4. The Committee recommends the approval of this film provided that the following scenes are excluded:

- *The sexually explicit scenes in Mexico.*
- *A protracted and angry parental confrontation between Ron Kovic and his parents containing very strong and explicit language.*

5. Recommended Appropriate Grade Levels for Film:

All Grades 9-12 Grades 11-12 Other _____

6. Recommended Courses for the Use of the Film: ***U.S. History***

7. Minority Opinion/Recommendation: ***None***

8. Superintendent's Recommendation: Approve Not Approve