

EL DORADO UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

Recommendation of the  
R-Rated Film Advisory Committee

FILM TITLE:

Into the Wild (2007)

Date of Recommendation: February 18, 2009

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

2. Appropriate uses of Film / suggested curricular goals/standards:

*The film addresses many English Language Arts Content Standards including: Literary Response and Analysis and Writing Applications, specifically responses to literature.*

*Specific instructional objectives include: analysis of character formation, analysis of author's philosophical assumptions and beliefs, and understanding the retorical devices used in two interpretive media.*

*The culminating activity requires students to critically analyze the book and movie versions of Into the Wild. Attached to this recommendation is a copy of the actual assignment that will be used. The assignment clearly requires students to demonstrate comprehension, analyze imagery, language, and universal themes, support ideas and viewpoints, and identify and assess the impact of the complexities of the work as required in the English Language Arts Content Standards.*

3. Areas of concern / conditions established by Committee for recommendation:

*The Committee was concerned about the maturity level required of students to fully understand the sophisticated messages communicated in the film. For this reason the committee recommends that the film be approved only for 12th grade students. The committee also requests the opportunity to review and approve the use of the film prior it being used in another course or grade level.*

*The Committee recommends the approval of this film provided that the following scenes are excluded: The committee did not recommend any scene be excluded from the film*

4. Appropriate grade levels for Film:

All Grades 9–12  Grades 11–12  Other: 12th grade only

5. Appropriate courses for the use of the Film:

*Expository Reading and Writing – English 4*

6. Minority opinion / recommendation:

*The committee reached consensus to approve the use of the film.*

7. Superintendent's Recommendation:

Approve  Not Approve