

Recommendation of The EDUHSD
R-Rated Film Advisory Committee

Title of Film: *Mississippi Masala*

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: February 3, 2004

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

This film is used as the basis for a writing activity in which students reflect on inter-racial relationships and racial stereotypes in American society. The film illustrates how many races may have bias against races other than their own. Students are asked to respond to articles which deal with racial issues as follow up activities asking the question: "How can racial stereotypes be dissolved?" Characters respond to social pressures, family traditions and stereotypes regarding various sub-cultures.

11 th and 12 th Grade English/Language Arts Content Standards: <i>Writing</i> 1.1, 1.9 and 2.3 (Writing Applications) and Written and Oral English Language Conventions 1.1, 1.2, and 1.3

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

The sex scene in the hotel must be eliminated.

4. Appropriate Grade Levels for Film: *Grade 12*

5. Appropriate Courses for the Use of the Film: *Contemporary Literature*

6. Minority Opinion/Recommendation: *None*

7. Superintendent's Recommendation: Approve Not Approve

Use of this film must comply with Board Policy 6161.11. Parental permission MUST be received prior to showing the film to students.