Exmouth Community College

APPROPRIATE AND INAPPROPRIATE MATERIAL POLICY

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Guidelines

These guidelines refer to DVDs, Videos, Books, Internet based clips (eg You Tube) and Magazines. Staff at the College will act with caution at all times and will be aware of the wide spectrum of parental opinion.

Staff must consider the age of the students and the content/language on the clip to be shown or the text to be studied.

If a film/programme has a certification this must not be infringed (eg a film with certification 15 must not be shown to Year 8)

In certain circumstances a clip relevant to a subject may be in a film/programme with a certification too high for the students for whom the clip is intended. As long as the clip does not contain items that justify the certification (and therefore are inappropriate for the age group) then it may be shown. (It is recommended that this is included in the Scheme of Work and approved by the SLT Link).

It is not appropriate to show films or television programmes in their entirety in one showing, unless there are clear educational benefits in doing so. It would normally be expected that extracts would be used as part of a lesson.

Extracts which contain overtly sexual information or information that could be interpreted as promoting specific beliefs or lifestyles should not be used.

Students should not bring such material into College.

If a member of staff is uncertain about what is appropriate they should contact a senior member of staff.

This policy should be read in conjunction with the Equality Policy. No one will unlawfully be disadvantaged on the grounds of age, race or ethnicity, disability, gender and marital status, gender identity, sexual orientation, religion or belief under the operation of this policy.