

French Year 2 and Year 3 Summer Homework Film Review Parent Permission

Dear Students, Parents and Guardians-

In order to bring the French-speaking world to life, your student is being asked to view a film from the selection listed here (clickable link):

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1V1DyWguqK4SWYpUjN6qS_LCpm1LlpBGhXk5f-x5-2o8/edit?usp=sharing

Some of these films will be shown during the course of the year in French ¾ or French ⅝. I believe these films and more which are not listed are an important part of the overall French program as they allow students to experience language and culture in authentic settings and situations. There are many wonderful cinematic traditions, which are, at times, different from mainstream American cinema.

Some of these films are fictions, documentaries, musicals, works of literature, travel and cooking shows. Most will be the original version in French with English subtitles. Since many are “foreign” films, they may be unrated, and some are given an ‘R’ rating even though the content is “tame” compared to many American films. There may, however, be some adult language and situations. I encourage you to view the film prior to your student should you have any question or concern. Additionally, I have included a brief synopsis courtesy of Netflix, Amazon, or the IMDB, so that you and your student may make informed choices prior to viewing. No student will be permitted to begin the homework assignment prior to having parent permission on file.

I hope that you will allow your student to watch the varied selection of films by sending an email from your email address that carbon copies your student stating simply:

“Through this email communication I grant permission for my my student _____ grade ____ to watch the films in the provided list for French class. I understand that some are unrated or R rated and may contain adult language, violence, nudity and sexual content. Signed, Parent name ____ date ____.”

This email should be sent to mfoster@sjusd.org. Once I have an email from you giving permission for your student to view a film, I will reply to both you and your student with the summer homework assignment specifics.

I wish you a fantastic summer full of amazing and educational experiences.

Warmly,

Madame Foster

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