

Copyright Matters!

The Copyright Modernization Act
and Video in the Classroom

EDUCATIONAL EXEMPTIONS

- The acts must be done by “an educational institution or a person(s) acting under its authority.”
- The acts must be done on the premises of an educational institution.
- The acts must be performed for educational or training purposes.
- The audience must consist primarily of students or instructors of the educational institution.
- The work cannot be an “**infringing copy.**”

WHAT IS AN INFRINGING COPY?

- Any film or program downloaded from an illegal source
- Video that is a COPY of the original work
- Video from a source whereby the User Agreement specifically prohibits institutional use (e.g., Netflix)
- Video being shown for non-educational purposes
- A copy of a feature film or program used for streaming purposes where the streaming rights have not been secured

WHAT IS NOT COVERED?

- After school events or lunch hour
- As a “special treat” or as a “reward”
- For FUNDRAISING activities
- Screening events for entertainment purposes
- Movies shown to students while teachers mark tests, create lesson plans, etc.
- Any screening that is not for classroom educational and/or training purposes
- Bypassing a digital lock unless it is done with the authority of the copyright owner

THE GOOD NEWS

- The WSD has a licence with the Criterion Pictures for streaming video.
 - *Criterion on Demand* appears in your computer Start Menu (under All Programs) and is linked from the Library website.
 - http://media2.criterionpic.com/oo6/lcl_top_subjects.htx
 - Any movie covered by the *Criterion on Demand* streaming platform CAN be used for RECREATIONAL purposes – even if admission is charged.
 - The movie may be downloaded to any device ahead of time.
 - You may use your own legally obtained copy of any title listed.
 - You may watch the films at home.

THE BAD NEWS

- If the title is NOT listed, you MUST obtain a licence from the supplier for recreational use:
 - ACF (Audio Ciné Films)
 - <http://www.acf-film.com/>
 - ACF supplies Disney/Pixar films.
 - ACF actively trolls school websites and newsletters for evidence of illegal use.
 - Schools have been fined after the fact.
 - Any educational usage of an ACF supplied film which falls within the Copyright Modernization Act IS allowed.

COPYRIGHT MATTERS and FAIR DEALING

- The *Copyright Matters!* booklet is available from these sources:
 - The Manitoba Department of Education and Advanced Learning
 - Conveniently linked from the Kelvin Library website's "FOR TEACHERS" page, under the Copyright heading
 - Stored in PDF form in the COPYRIGHT MATTERS folder on the Y drive
 - In the Kelvin Library
- THE BOOKLET ANSWERS KEY QUESTIONS FOR TEACHERS ABOUT ALL FORMS OF COPYRIGHT RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS.
 - Or ask your Teacher-Librarian