

Dear Parents/Guardians:

In English Language Arts, we are reading and analyzing *The Outsiders*, S. E. Hinton's classic coming-of-age novel. I would like to show students the 1983 movie and have them compare and contrast the novel to its filmed version, analyzing the choices made by the author of the novel and the choices made by the director of the film.

The movie version of the novel is rated PG-13 for "for violence, teen drinking and smoking, and some strong language." Since the movie is rated PG-13, I will need your permission to let your child view the movie in class. Although we feel as if the movie is an excellent tool to use as an extension of this novel, we respect your rights to monitor what your child watches. If you prefer that your child not watch the movie, an alternate assignment will be created for him/her, and he/she will go to a different classroom during the time we are watching the movie in class.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you!

The Outsiders Movie Permission Form

Please check one of the following, sign, and return.

- My child has permission to watch the PG-13 film version of *The Outsiders*.
- My child does NOT have permission to watch the film version of *The Outsiders*. I understand that if I do not want my child to watch this movie, an alternate assignment will be provided in a different classroom.

Student Name _____ Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____