Dear Parents,

I am very happy to have your child in my History Through Film class this year. It is going to be a very interesting course, and should prepare your child for their future by providing an experience similar to that of a college level class.

I understand some of you are concerned with the “R rated” material listed on the course syllabus. I want to clarify by saying that it is not my intention to show graphic scenes to your student if I don’t have to. I had to make sure to thoroughly cover all of my basis from an instructional standpoint to make sure all parents were aware that some of these films we will be viewing were graphic at times. As far as the sexual situations, nudity, and gore, I'm actually going to do my best to fast forward through all of the inappropriate scenes that don't matter to the overall plot. I have seen all of these movies before, and I plan on watching them a couple nights before your students view them in class to make sure I have the minutes down where these scenes happen.

 Obviously I understand if you still decide that you don’t want your student to take this class, but I guarantee they would benefit from a college style course such as this. Many of your students have taken a different history course with me in the past, and I would love the chance to spend another year teaching them history from a unique perspective such as this.

If you have further questions, I have my email address and school phone extension listed below.

Thank you for your time,

Mr. Brett Neal

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Please sign and return this letter upon reading it so I know that your student has informed you of this further clarification. If you DO NOT want your student to continue taking this course, please E-mail me as soon as possible, and I will make sure your student’s schedule gets changed before we start viewing the first of these films on Monday.

Parent Signature

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