

Dorothy Alling Memorial Library Collection Policy Regarding DVDs

The Library's goal is to provide a collection of instructional, educational, and literature-based videos that will enhance the Library's existing nonfiction and fiction collections.

- a. Feature film selections will be limited to those videos that are culturally, historically or aesthetically significant.
- b. Preference will be given to feature films listed on the Library of Congress National Film Registry, by American Film Institute and various award lists.
- c. It is not the Library's intention to duplicate the spectrum of feature films available in the private sector, but rather to provide those selections that are not readily available in commercial outlets.
- d. The library video collection is not intended to supplement curriculum requirements of educational organizations within the community.
- e. The following selection criteria will be considered for videos: favorable reviews in standard library reviewing sources; appropriateness of the subject to the collection; appropriateness to the interests and skills of the intended users; technical quality, i.e. clarity of picture and sound quality; authority and competency of the producer; artistic merit and reputation of the performers; availability of public performance rights; the need for non-fiction and documentaries to present accurate and current information; and cost.