## Dear Parents,

In the course of our study of the Second World War, and the Holocaust we will be showing the film <u>Schindler's List (1993)</u>. A variety of assignments will be given that coincide with the content of the film that is relevant to our discussion. The film has been given an "R" rating from the Motion Picture Association of America for "language, some sexuality and actuality violence." For those not familiar with the film, it offers a very realistic portrait of life and death for European Jews under the Nazi regime from the 1930's through the mid 1940's. This includes life in the Warsaw Ghetto, the Plaszow work camp, and eventually the extermination camp at Auschwitz-Birkenau.

We do not show this film lightly. It is an indispensible part of our discussion of Fascism, Totalitarianism, Ethnocentrism, World War II, and of course Genocide in the twentieth century. It is also commonly shown to Tenth Grade, and sometimes even Middle School students. Because of the graphic nature of the film, some parents may feel that this is not appropriate for their student. These students will be given an alternative assignment dealing with the Holocaust and will not be shown the film. In addition, students who fail to demonstrate an appropriate level of respect for the gravity of the content of the film, or the sensitivity of their classmates will be given an alternative assignment and will not be shown the film.

By signing this document you are acknowledging that you are aware of the nature of the film, and that you have given your consent to have the student for which you are legally responsible view *Schindler's List* in class.

Many Thanks,		
Scott Davis Teacher, Santa Susana High School SVUSD.		
Name of Student (Print)		_
Parent/Guardian	date	_