



Dear Parents/Guardians,

Our school requires parental permission for your student to view movies that are used in our curriculum, or that are selected by the teachers, which have been rated PG-13 or R.

I believe showing your son or daughter the film *Jenseits der Stille* will enable them to benefit from another medium as a resource in their study of the German language, as well as contemporary German culture.

Summary of movie:

Since the earliest days of her childhood Lara has had a difficult but important task. Both her parents are deaf-mute and Lara has to translate from sign language to the spoken word and vice versa when her parents want to communicate with other people. Becoming older and more mature, she develops an interest in music and starts to play clarinet very successfully. However, her parents are deaf - they cannot share Lara's musical career. The day comes when Lara has to decide between her parents and her own ambitions.

Learning Objective: (Correlated to North Carolina State Standards as well as school-based curriculum)

The film deals with the world of a normal young girl, who has to go through an unusual dilemma because both of her parents are deaf. At the same time, she must face the difficulties of life, much as many teenagers and young adults do in our society. By relating to the struggles in discovering one's own true self, but in the target language of German, students are able to *strengthen cultural connections to the target language and deepen their understanding of modern colloquialisms and vocabulary structures.*

This movie has been rated PG-13 in the United States. Please be assured that I will use proper discretion when showing this film.

Thank you for taking the time to read and sign this permission form.

Sincerely,

Paul Maseman
German Teacher

Date of Viewing: Thursday, March 22nd, 2018 through Wednesday, April 11th, 2018. There will be breaks in between to allow for discussion, answering questions and completing activities based on the film.

Please sign here and return this form to Herr Maseman by Thursday, March 22nd, 2018.

Student Name _____

Yes, I give my son/daughter permission to view *Jenseits der Stille*

No, I do not give my son/daughter permission to view this film. I understand that an alternate learning experience will be provided for my child while the movie is being watched.

Parent/Guardian signature

Date