APPENDIX A

Films About Education

Another Country (1984)
The Belles of St. Trinidad’s (1954)
*Blackboard Jungle (1955)
Bright Road (1953)
The Browning Version (1994)
A Child is Waiting (1963)
Class of 1984 (1982)
Class of 1999 (1990)
Conrack (1974)
Cooley High (1975)
The Corn is Green (1945)
*Dangerous Minds (1995)
*Dead Poets Society (1989)
The Faculty (1998)
Fame (1980)
Fast Times at Ridgemont High (1982)
*Good-bye, Mr. Chips (1939)
High School (1940)
*High School High (1996)
Kindergarten Cop (1990)
*Lean on Me (1987)
A Little Princess (1995)
Matilda (1996)
Mr. Holland’s Opus (1995)
*187 (1997)
*The Principal (1987)
*The Prime of Miss Jean Brodie (1968)
Renaissance Man (1993)
Rock n Roll High School (1979)
School Ties (1992)
*Stand and Deliver (1987)
*The Substitute (1996)
*The Substitute II: School’s Out (1998)
Summer School (1987)
To Sir With Love (1967)
Teachers (1984)
Three O’Clock High (1987)
*Up the Down Staircase (1967)

(Adapted from Wells & Serman, 1998, p. 194).

* Cited in text of dissertation.
APPENDIX B

Informed Consent

Dear ________________________:

I would like your permission to ask you questions about your student teaching experience. This conversation should last for approximately one hour. I am interested in learning more about the experiences of pre-service teacher who choose to student teach in an urban environment and your comments, observations and stories would be very helpful to me.

I would like to make clear that this research project has absolutely no bearing on your student teaching and you are not required to participate. If you do choose to participate, you are under not obligation and can terminate your involvement in the project at any time during our conversation. With your consent, I will be tape recording and taking notes while we are talking together. The tape and notes will not be shared with anyone else. Also, if I use any of your comments in my paper, your confidentiality will be maintained by use of pseudonyms.

I truly appreciate your consideration in this matter. Please let me know if you have any questions or would like more information before making a decision.

Sincerely,

Suellyn M. Henke
(phone # and contact info.)

I have been informed about the nature of this research and grant my consent to participate. I realize that I can end my participation at any time.

(Signature) ________________________________
APPENDIX C

Informed Consent

Dear ________________________:

I am a Ph.D. student at Miami University, Oxford, Ohio and am doing research for my doctoral dissertation. I believe that you could provide information which would help me better understand the relationship among schools, broadcast media, and the community. I am interested in urban high schools and the public stories that get told about them. In general, I would like to talk to you about the ways in which television news present stories about urban schools. As a particular example, I would also like to ask you about your memories of the television news stories surrounding the Pharon Crosby case that happened in the Spring of 1995, since it was a highly publicized story. This research is part of my dissertation requirement at Miami and is not connected to any other institutions or outside sources. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me(phone #) or my dissertation adviser, Dr. Dennis Carlson (phone #)

Our discussion will last approximately one hour but you are free to leave at any time. I would like to tape record our talk so that I am able to revisit our conversation at a later date. I can assure you that I am the only person who will have access to the tape and it will be used only in the context of my research. It will be erased at the end of this project. Also, if I quote your words in my dissertation, I will use pseudonyms to protect your confidentiality. If you wish, when my research is complete, I can provide a summary of my findings.

Please sign below if you consent to participate in my dissertation research. I am extremely grateful for your assistance.

Sincerely,

Suellyn M. Henke
(Contact Info.)

I consent to participate in this dissertation research under the conditions outlined above. I realize that I am not obligated to answer any questions and that I may leave the room at my own discretion.

(Signature) ________________________________  (Date) ____________