

Film group backs antipiracy curriculum for schools

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When it comes to learning about the evils of Internet piracy, Hollywood studios and the major music labels want kids to start young.

A nonprofit group called the Center for Copyright Information has commissioned a school curriculum to teach elementary-age children about the value of copyrights.

The Los Angeles Times reports the nonprofit is backed by the Motion Picture Association of America, the Recording Industry Association of America and others.

The curriculum, still in draft stage, includes lesson plans, videos and activities for teachers and parents to help educate students about the "importance of being creative and protecting creativity."

Some critics say the curriculum would promote a biased agenda. Others contend it would use up valuable classroom time when public schools are already struggling to teach the basics.

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