

Film Resources

Uplifting, positive reinforcing films

Remember the Titans (2000)

The true story of a newly appointed African-American coach and his high school team on their first season as a racially integrated unit. – IMDB

Directed By: Boaz Yakin Starring: Denzel Washington, Will Patton

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0210945/?ref=fn_al_tt_1

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nPhu9XsRI4M>

Soul Surfer (2011)

Teenage surfer Bethany Hamilton overcomes the odds and her own fears of returning to the water after losing her left arm in a shark attack. – IMDB

Directed By: Sean McNamara Starring: AnnaSophia Robb, Dennis Quaid

IMDB Link: <http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt1596346/>

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MWeOjBCi3c4>

The Help (2011)

An aspiring author during the civil rights movement of the 1960s decides to write a book detailing the African-American maids' point of view on the white families for which they work, and the hardships they go through on a daily basis. – IMDB

Directed By: Tate Taylor Starring: Emma Stone, Viola Davis

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt1454029/?ref=nv_sr_1

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WbuKgzgeUIU>

Dove Evolution (2006) (YouTube)

A video about the impacts on how media today can affect the way people think of body image and looks.

Director: Unknown Starring: Unknown (TV Commercial)

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iYhCn0jf46U>

Cyberbully (2011)

Teen girl Taylor Hillridge gets a laptop for her birthday and signs up on a social networking site. – IMDB

Directed By: Charles Binamé Starring: Emily Osment, Kay Panabaker

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt1930315/?ref=nv_sr_1

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fk_YSO0py7s

Forrest Gump (1994)

Forrest Gump, while not intelligent, has accidentally been present at many historic moments, but his true love, Jenny Curran, eludes him. – IMDB

Directed By: Robert Zemeckis Starring: Tom Hanks, Robin Wright

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0109830/?ref=nv_sr_1

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uPIEn0M8su0>

The Pursuit of Happyness (2006)

A struggling salesman takes custody of his son as he's poised to begin a life-changing professional endeavor. – IMDB

Directed By: Gabriele Muccino Starring: Will Smith, Jaden Smith

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0454921/?ref =nv_sr_3

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v= xcZTtlGweQ>

Coach Carter (2005)

Controversy surrounds high school basketball coach Ken Carter after he benches his entire team for breaking their academic contract with him. - IMDB

Directed By: Thomas Carter Starring: Samuel L. Jackson, Rick Gonzalez

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0393162/?ref =nv_sr_1

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=znyAnWUYf2g>

The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas (2008)

Set during World War II, a story seen through the innocent eyes of Bruno, the eight-year-old son of the commandant at a concentration camp, whose forbidden friendship with a Jewish boy on the other side of the camp fence has startling and unexpected consequences. – IMDB

Directed By: Mark Herman Starring: Asa Butterfield, David Thewlis

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0914798/?ref =nv_sr_1

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cDuapYNd6OE>

The Green Mile (1999)

The lives of guards on Death Row are affected by one of their charges: a black man accused of child murder and rape, yet who has a mysterious gift. – IMDB

Directed By: Frank Darabont Starring: Tom Hanks, Michael Clarke Duncan

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0120689/?ref =nv_sr_1

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ctRK-4Vt7dA>

The Blind Side (2009)

The story of Michael Oher, a homeless and traumatized boy who became an All American football player and first round NFL draft pick with the help of a caring woman and her family. – IMDB

Directed By: John Lee Hancock Starring: Quinton Aaron, Sandra Bullock

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0878804/?ref =nv_sr_2

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l24d30buecw>

To This Day (2013) (YouTube)

A spoken poem about bullying all around the world by one guy who is trying to make a difference in society today.

Directed By: Shane Koyczan

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ltun92DfnPY>

Schindler's List (1993)

In Poland during World War II, Oskar Schindler gradually becomes concerned for his Jewish workforce after witnessing their persecution by the Nazis. – IMDB

Directed By: Steven Spielberg Starring: Liam Neeson, Ralph Fiennes

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0108052/?ref =nv_sr_3

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GUJt7ZvC6Ac>

American History X (1998)

A former neo-nazi skinhead tries to prevent his younger brother from going down the same wrong path that he did. – IMDB

Directed By: Tony Kaye Starring: Edward Norton, Edward Furlong

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0120586/?ref =nv_sr_4

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jXaZENPQrsw>

Love is all you need? (2007) (YouTube)

A short film on the reality of today's treatment of people that are gay in our society, this puts those that do the bullying in the shoes of the bullied to get a different perspective on the problem at hand.

Directed By: Kim Rocco Shields Starring: Lexi DiBenedetto, Carrie Lazar

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CnOJgDW0gPI>

Rosewood (1997)

A dramatization of a 1923 horrific racist lynch mob attack on an African American community. - IMDB

Directed By: John Singleton Starring: Jon Voight, Ving Rhames

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0120036/?ref =nv_sr_2

A Soldier's Story (1984)

An African American officer investigates a murder in a racially charged situation in World War II. – IMDB

Directed By: Norman Jewison Starring: Howard E. Rollins Jr., Adolph Caesar

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0088146/?ref =nv_sr_1

A Time to Kill (1996)

A young lawyer defends a black man accused of murdering two men who raped his 10-year-old daughter, sparking a rebirth of the KKK. –IMDB

Directed By: Joel Schumacher Starring: Matthew McConaughey, Sandra Bullock, Samuel L. Jackson

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0117913/?ref =nv_sr_1

The Lorax (2012)

A 12-year-old boy searches for the one thing that will enable him to win the affection of the girl of his dreams. To find it he must discover the story of the Lorax, the grumpy yet charming creature who fights to protect his world. - IMDB

Directed By: Chris Renaud, Kyle Balda Starring: Zac Efron, Taylor Swift, Danny DeVito

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt1482459/?ref =fn_al_tt_1

Pay it Forward (2000)

A young boy attempts to make the world a better place after his teacher gives him that chance. – IMDB

Directed By: Mimi Leder Starring: Kevin Spacey, Haley Joel Osment

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0223897/?ref =nv_sr_2

Finding Nemo (2003)

After his son is captured in the Great Barrier Reef and taken to Sydney, a timid clownfish sets out on a journey to bring him home. – IMDB

Directed By: Andrew Stanton, Lee Unkrich Starring: Albert Brooks, Ellen DeGeneres

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0266543/?ref =fn_al_tt_1

Freedom Writers (2007)

A young teacher inspires her class of at-risk students to learn tolerance, apply themselves, and pursue education beyond high school. – IMDB

Directed By: Richard LaGravenese Starring: Hilary Swank, Imelda Staunton

IMDB Link: <http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0463998/>

Mississippi Burning (1988)

Two FBI agents with wildly different styles arrive in Mississippi to investigate the disappearance of some civil rights activists. – IMDB

Directed By: Alan Parker Starring: Gene Hackman, Willem Dafoe

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0095647/?ref =nv_sr_1

The Breakfast Club (1985)

Five high school students, all different stereotypes, meet in detention, where they pour their hearts out to each other, and discover how they have a lot more in common than they thought. –IMDB

Directed By: John Hughes Starring: Emilio Estevez, Judd Nelson

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0088847/?ref =fn_al_tt_1

Crash (2004)

Los Angeles citizens with vastly separate lives collide in interweaving stories of race, loss and redemption. – IMDB

Directed By: Paul Haggis Starring: Don Cheadle, Sandra Bullock

IMDB Link: http://www.IMDb.com/title/tt0375679/?ref =nv_sr_1