

Described and Captioned Media Program (DCMP)

The Described and Captioned Media Program (DCMP) provides services to benefit students who are blind, visually impaired, deaf, hard of hearing, or deaf-blind. These services include (1) a free-loan library of described and captioned educational media that is available to school personnel and families; (2) information, available to everyone, related to accessible media; and (3) guidelines and assistance for anyone wanting to learn how to add captions or description to educational media.

MORE ABOUT THE DCMP LIBRARY

- The DCMP provides a library of free-loan described and captioned educational media for grades K through 12. These materials are available through the U.S. mail, and some are available on the Internet via streaming.**
- Anyone working with students who are blind, visually impaired, deaf, hard of hearing, or deaf-blind may apply for free membership.**
- In addition, families and students themselves may apply.**

MORE ABOUT INFORMATION ON ACCESSIBLE MEDIA

- The DCMP provides a clearinghouse of information related to educational media access. We answer questions such as these: (1) What is description? (2) How can I find someone to add description to my educational media?**

(3) What described educational media is available for loan or purchase?

- **The DCMP is a gateway to Internet resources related to accessibility. Performing a search on the DCMP Web site will generate results from the DCMP database as well as results from other educational and consumer Web sites.**
- **Anyone can use these services at no cost.**

MORE ABOUT MAKING EDUCATIONAL MEDIA ACCESSIBLE

- **The DCMP has guidelines for anyone who captions educational media.**
- **Guidelines will be available in 2008 through a partnership with the American Foundation for the Blind for anyone who describes educational media.**
- **The DCMP offers an evaluation of an agency's quality of captioning or description work.**
- **Agencies, schools, and others may request free copies of these guidelines.**
- **Captioning and description agencies desiring to perform work for the DCMP and/or appear on an approved list of service providers may request an evaluation.**

CONTACTING THE DCMP

- **Visit the DCMP Web site at www.dcmp.org.**
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