

## **Short-Short Film Mentor Information**

The Short-Short film festival is open to all students in grades 5-8. Students form a production company (up to five or six students)

The production company creates a 2 minute or less movie about something the students care about. This short film educates the audience about something they might or might not have known about.

The films are presented at an Oscars Awards Night in late May.

Each production company has a teacher, an Oscar Mentor. Each production company must have a name.

About 50 hours go into each production. The time spent on the project may vary, and is spread out from December 1st through the first of May. It is expected that some after school time will be required for the mentors.

Mentors are asked to support their production company through the Oscars night by being with them as they learn about story boards, film techniques, and post production work.

Students will need to access the multimedia stations in the alcove in the computer lab. Two programs there, Final Cut Express and iMovie HD will be used to create their films.

An awards committee will review each film about May 1 and winner(s) will be selected. There may be a cash prize to divide amongst the students on the winning production team. Oscars trophies will be presented.

A DVD of ALL the competing films will be available to the general public at the Oscars night for a small fee to help support the program.