Pfeiffer movie about tough school based on real life

Based on a real life story, "Dangerous Minda," now playing at metro Detroit movie theaters, stars Michelle Pfeiffer as former Marine LouAnne Johnson, who leaves an officer's commission and nine-year military career to pursue her dream of becoming an English teacher.

But while earning her teaching credentials at a Northern California high school, she is assigned to a group of students who change her life forever. And she changes theirs.

theirs. As their new instructor, Ms. Johnson defies all the rules, creates her own curriculum and instructs the class of tough, innercity teenagers from college-level texts.

ans. Frustrated that her students, whose standardized scores range from average to excellent, have PREVIEW

come to accept failure as a way of life, she cajoles and tricks them into learning. More important, she loves them and helps them believe in themselves.

One tracker's account of the education crisis in America, and her effort to make a difference, "Dancerous Minda" is a Hollywood Pictures presentation of a Don Simpson/Jery Bruckheimer production. The screenplay by Ronald Bass is based upon "My Posse Don't do Homework" by LouAnne Johnson. Buena Vista Pictures distributes.

"This is a picture about one teacher and how she goes about getting her students" attention so they can learn," said Simpson. "She helps them understand the

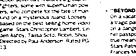
importance of knowledge and the ultimate power an education affords everyone in our society."

Bruckheimer agrees. "Our school systems are under-financed and under-staffed and as a result we are losing a generation of kids. Don and I would like to make teachers heroes again. We wanted to show their struggle with the system, with the kids, and with the environment in which the kids grow up — which many times is their biggest deterrent — and demonstrate that these teachers really are significant role models."

To prepare for the role Pfeiffer spent time with Johnson, read a variety of reports and studies out timing and comparing educational systems throughout the world, and for some practical auggestions, contacted two friends who

has dreamt of being on the big stage for as long as he can remember.

Mising nonprofessionals with experienced actors is director John N. Smith's trademark. The chemistry such pairing inspires leads to an exciting dynamic on "Dangerous Minds" is rated R.



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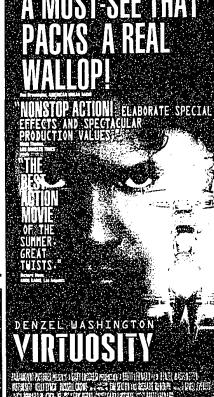
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