

Filming Fulda - an FCCLA project

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Jared Mitchell, a 2009 graduate of Fulda High School, spent several hours with third grade students at Fulda Elementary School this year - time that was spent learning and teaching about the art of communication.

As an FCCLA project, Mitchell sought out a class that was going to be learning about the varied forms of communication. At the same time, teacher Carol Naumann, was looking for other avenues to help her students learn about the forms of communication. At the beginning of the year, the students were assigned pen pals at a school in Nebraska.

As Mitchell and Naumann learned about one another and that they were both wanting to teach more about communication, they met and began mak-

ing plans for that would aid the students as they learned about communication.

"For the first time that I met with the third grade, we talked about where they wanted to go and what they wanted to see in working with the communications project. They already understood the communication art of writing. They wanted to learn about being a communicator in front of the camera. We had decided to make a ten minute DVD that could be sent to their pen pal class," Mitchell stated. "Mrs. Naumann and I wanted to get the students involved as much as we could. The students wanted to show their pen pals, their school, and where they live."

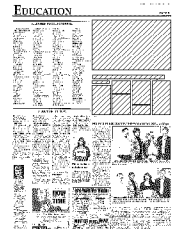
Four times of filming included the students leading a tour, on film, of Fulda Elementary School's library, classroom, and other areas

where they spend their learning day. One filming session was held at the Fulda City Park.

When the filming was complete, Mitchell made a copy to send to the students in Nebraska, and a copy for each of the 15 students at Fulda.

"The best thing about the whole project was working with the kids," Mitchell said. "They wanted to talk. No one was really shy. When we were going to film, Mrs. Naumann would plan the lessons that day so that we could have a little extra time. It was so much fun to work with communicating and networking with the kids."

Mitchell's FCCLA project was presented at Regional and State competitions and he has earned a trip to the National FCCLA Convention which will be held in July.





The third grade class at Fulda Elementary School had an opportunity to participate in Jared Mitchell's **FCCLA** Project, "Filming Fulda," that involved working with various forms of communication. "Filming Fulda" involved the students in a 10-minute DVD wherein they led a tour of their school, playground, and Fulda City Park so that their pen pals in Nebraska could see where the students spend their days. The third grade class is pictured above with Jared Mitchell, and teacher Carol Naumann.