

## Project Summary Pages:

The whole purpose of this project would have to be number four in the “FCCLA Purposes.”

“To encourage individual and group involvement in helping achieve global cooperation and harmony.” I feel that autism is a very misunderstood situation for anybody and that is why I say this is the purpose for my project: to show people how it really affects others with autism and what it’s really about. To create a video that helps my goal and to help achieve an understanding of how autism really is so that way people are not misunderstood.

Some related careers to this particular subject would be an Applied Behavior Analyst.

an Occupational Therapist, a Special Education Teacher, and a Speech Language Pathologist.

Autism is a spectrum disorder that refers to a group of complex neurodevelopment disorders characterized by repetitive and characteristic patterns of behavior and difficulties with social communication and interaction. The symptoms are present from early childhood and affect daily life.

The term “spectrum” refers to the wide range of symptoms, skills, and levels of disability in functioning that can occur in people with ASD.

My awareness goal is to make sure that people understand exactly how misunderstood autism actually is. Because of society’s failure to embrace the idea of neurodiversity and accept people who think differently there might be a limiting of human potential. These conditions were hidden behind certain labels such as “feeble-minded”, “multiple personality”, or “childhood schizophrenia”.

What’s clear now is that the rising numbers of diagnoses are not caused by some risk factor hidden in our modern way of life, but what are called “a strange gift from our past, passed down

through millions of years.” Rather than viewing this rare gift as an error of nature, which is what I like to call “a puzzle to be solved”. This kind of condition should be seen as incredibly valuable and actually recognized. I feel that if people actually embraced the concept of neurodiversity. Would propose that autism should be considered as a valuable part of humanity’s genetic inheritance and that society needs to accept and adapt to people who think differently. Only then, will we allow people to embrace their uniqueness and let society reach its true potential and have everyone accept what it really is and you can't really do or change anything about it. So just accept the fact that is who they are. That is why they are mistaken for or labeled as different. Because of our society and how we treat others. So that is why I chose this for my project and this is my goal. Because I want people to know how really misunderstood autism is and how unique and beautiful those people with autism really are. No matter what or how they act or look. They’re still people. Just different in a beautiful, special way. I made this video to show how I really care and love those lucky ones.