

Full Circle Project

The overall purpose of the Full Circle Project is to connect the international field experiences and internships that WCE sponsors with partnership schools. The exchange of information between a school in North Carolina and a school in another country will support global perspectives for PreK-12 students, university faculty, inservice and preservice teachers.

What you have to do:

1. Share information about where you will be traveling with the students in a PreK-12th grade class in North Carolina. Challenge them to think about what students in an international country would want to know about their life in Southeastern North Carolina. Assist them in brainstorming questions about what they want to know about the students in the other country's community, school, life, etc.
2. The students in NC research information and create presentations, movies, blogs, etc. to "teach" the students in the exchange country about Southeastern North Carolina. When the WCE group goes to the international country for their field experience and/or internship, they bring the information that the students here developed. These items might be in the form of mobile media (videos, CDs) or they might be via a website established by the students in North Carolina.
3. The students in the international country will do the same—brainstorm what they want to know about students in North Carolina, as well as, research and create media-based information about their country.
4. When the university students and faculty return from their international experience, they will share what the students developed and connect the two groups of students via SKYPE or a similar electronic source.
5. After the exchange of information, both groups will determine if their questions were answered.
6. Data is gathered, in both the North Carolina site and the international site, to inform researchers about information shared, perspectives taken, changes in assumptions, and knowledge gained as a result of the project.

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