After eight years as a state prosecuting attorney, Jen Greenstreet founded a nonprofit organization, Just Like You Films, which creates, produces and distributes documentary short films featuring children facing unique circumstances such as severe burns, cancer, Down syndrome, and autism. “Having the opportunity to help create films that ease pain, educate and make the world a more understanding place has definitely been my most fulfilling accomplishment,” she says. Jen has directed ten short films and written three feature-length films. In addition to her role as board member and chief executive officer for Just Like You, she has taught criminal law classes at William Jewell College, her alma mater.

With over 20 years of experience, Isaac Alongi brings his artistic talent and creativity to all aspects of production including Just Like You Films. Isaac's cinematography has been seen in feature films, television shows, documentaries, IMAX films, commercials and numerous non-profit projects. With clients such as National Geographic, BBC, History Channel, Fox Sports, Discovery, ABC and the CW Network. He has won two Emmys for his work on a series of historical films.

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"Just Like You - Autism" launches an exciting campaign that calls our communities, our kids and the world to learn, understand and accept those living with autism. JLY-Autism harnesses the power of film to connect and create empathy in others in an unprecedented way. The film's documentary techniques capture the real life stories of Christian, Morgan and Austin and their best friends/sibling, Addison, Brook and Tanner. They explain their lives with autism in relatable everyday scenes. The kids and narrator, former NFL quarterback, Trent Green, explain sensitivities, behaviors and model how to be a good friend to someone with autism. Those who see it will understand and accept people with autism for who they are on the inside. JLY-Autism boldly seeks to foster a world of people who know about, understand and accept those living with autism by sharing the perspective of courageous individuals who are not defined or limited by their conditions. Instead, they are “just like you.”

Discussion Questions

Autism Spectrum Disorder– There are no medical tests for diagnosing autism. An accurate diagnosis must be based on observation of the individual’s communication, social interaction, and his or her activities and interests. Autism is diagnosed by a Medical Diagnostic Team. You can not catch it like a cold or a virus. This film explains the everyday life of three individuals with three different forms of autism. Autism is a spectrum disorder that can affect an individual differently as seen in this film. This film also can show you just because the person has autism does not mean they can not hear you or know what is going on around them. They want to be accepted and for you to understand that we all have differences. To understand one is knowledge to help you be more accepting.

1. How did the film make you feel about an individual with autism?

2. What was something NEW you learned about someone with autism?

3. What was the scene or situation that made you have an AH-HA moment to understand someone for their differences?

4. There was a section in the film that discussed all the sensory issues to lights, sounds, smells and touch– have you experienced those type of sensations before– did you understand what the message was.

5. Did you understand when the message was being talked about by waiting for the individual to process your question and what for them to answer– did you understand why that is so important?

6. What difference can you now make in your school or community by watching this film?

7. What difference do you think this film can make in other schools or communities across the country?

8. What were a few things you learned most about an individual with autism?

9. Knowledge is POWER– what will YOUR ROLE be now that you have seen this film? As a parent, teacher, coach, peer, administrator, sibling, administrator, business owner or community member– what will you take away and try to do for your circle of friends, school, business or community?