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Dear Editor-in-Chief Lambert,

Thank you and Reviewers A and B for your feedback on our manuscript. Enclosed is the revised manuscript entitled, “Authentic Assessment to Measure Outcomes in Creative Arts.” We would like to request the manuscript be reviewed for publication in *NHSA Dialog* for the “Dialog from the Field” section as you indicated in the invitation to resubmit the manuscript. The word count is approximately 5,622 words for the entire manuscript, and there are approximately 24 pages (including title page, abstract, and references) with one figure.

Here are changes we made to the manuscript based on feedback from you and the reviewers:

* Expanded the manuscript from 13 to 24 pages (or 2,804 to 5,622 word count)
* Added more depth in all sections and especially Head Start
* Added newer references within last 5 years
* We infused the creative arts and authentic assessment into the Head Start Learning Outcomes Framework
* We avoided Pinterest/other web resources emphasizing the product approach (Reviewer A)
* We changed the Megan Trainor song (Reviewer A)
* We continued to describe the method of integrating creative arts into the early childhood curriculum (Reviewer B)

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Thank you for the opportunity to resubmit this article to your journal *NHSA Dialog: The Research to Practice Journal for the Early Childhood Field.*

Sincerely,

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