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To Whom It May Concern:

I support the evaluation process that has been proposed by AS220. Under this proposal, a student at Brown University, Johanna Lacoë, will collect and analyze responses to questions relative to student attitudes about our arts transitional programming. The results will be beneficial in modifying the existing program or expanding it.

One of the critical issues to address as an educational program is the transitional service component. We believe that the arts are essential to student success, but do not have extensive data from our own initiatives to support our beliefs. This study will be extremely helpful to our planning, and I look forward to Ms. Lacoë' report.

Sincerely,

Arlene J. Chorney, Ph.D.
Principal