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Dr. Edina Renfro-Michel, Editor
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Dear Dr. Renfro-Michel,

Attached is a revision of manuscript submission number 1146. Numerous changes have been made to the manuscript in accordance with the Reviewers notes I received on September 8th 2015. I have attached a list of the revisions to this letter. It is my hope that with these changes you will now find this manuscript acceptable for publication in the *Journal of Counselor Preparation and Supervision*. Though the deadline for consideration in the upcoming JCPS special edition on school counseling is long over, I hope that this manuscript may still be considered for publication in the special edition. Unfortunately, I was unable to make the deadline because of the contributing authors' lack of assistance in revising the manuscript. The third author has retired with medical issues that prevented her from assisting in the revision process. Though the second author agreed to assist in making the necessary revisions to her contribution, she failed to do so in an adequate and timely fashion. Thus I had to proceed with completing the revision process on my own and was unable to make the December 1st deadline. If it is too late for this manuscript to be considered for publication in the summer special edition on school counseling, I hope that it will be considered for publication in a future edition of the JCPS.

Thank you for this opportunity to publish a manuscript in the *Journal of Counselor Preparation and Supervision*. I look forward to hearing from you again in the near future.

Sincerely,

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Below is a list of the revisions that have been made to manuscript submission #1146, as per your recommendations. Thank you for the feedback you provided in your initial review. I believe your suggestions have strengthened the manuscript significantly. I hope you will find these revisions acceptable, and the manuscript is now ready for publication in the *Journal of Counselor Preparation and Supervision*.

The changes made to manuscript submission #1146 are as follows:

- Title was changed from, “*How Am I Managing This?*” *Training School Counselors for Classroom Management* to, *Novice School Counselors’ Experiences in Classroom Management* as suggested by reviewers, and to better reflect the content of the manuscript.
- Added missing headings (e.g. Literature Review – see page 3)
- Moved information about the researchers as the human instrument to the procedures section (see page 7).
- Clarified managing behaviors as only one component of classroom management (see page 4).
- Moved definition of classroom management to the beginning of the literature review (see page 3).
- Added more references and rationale in the introduction.
- Incorporated more lengthy direct quotes in the results section.
- Included an appendix with a table of concrete action strategies school counselors and counselor educators can engage in to strengthen classroom management skills
- Included a section on what counselors educators say on the topic in the literature review (see page 5).
- Replaced most of the un-identifying statements such as “one school counselor” or “an elementary school counselor” with participants’ pseudonyms in the results section. Increasing readability and drawing the reader closer to the data.
- Corrected APA formatting throughout the manuscript and reference pages.
- Included research question in the introduction (see page 2).
- Described research methodology in more detail (see page 7 & 9)
- Included a separate section on limitations of the study (page 21) and need for further research (page 23) in the discussion.
- Provided more detail in the data analysis section (see page 9)
- Included a section on implications for school counselors (page 21).