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Title of the Manuscript:	Leveraging Digital Tools for Enhancing Assessments in Early Childhood Education: Opportunities and Challenges
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PART 1: Comments

	Reviewer's comment	Author's Feedback <i>(Please correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)</i>
Please write a few sentences regarding the importance of this manuscript for the scientific community. A minimum of 3-4 sentences may be required for this part.	This manuscript highlights the transformative potential of digital tools in Early Childhood Education (ECE) assessments. By addressing both the opportunities and challenges of leveraging technology, it provides critical insights for educators, policymakers, and researchers striving to improve developmental outcomes for young children. Its focus on inclusivity, adaptability, and real-time data collection fills a vital gap in contemporary educational practices, particularly in post-COVID contexts where digital solutions are increasingly prominent. Moreover, the manuscript's exploration of the digital divide and data privacy issues underscores the importance of equitable and ethical implementation of technology in education.	
Is the title of the article suitable? (If not please suggest an alternative title)	The title is suitable.	
Is the abstract of the article comprehensive? Do you suggest the addition (or deletion) of some points in this section? Please write your suggestions here.	The abstract is comprehensive but could benefit from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adding: A brief mention of specific digital tools or methodologies discussed in the manuscript for a clearer overview. • Rephrasing: The sentence on "bridging traditional and digital methodologies" to emphasize the manuscript's practical recommendations. • Removing: Repetitive phrases about the need for balanced approaches, as they appear multiple times. 	
Is the manuscript scientifically, correct? Please write here.	The manuscript is scientifically robust and methodologically sound. It integrates relevant international frameworks and research to support its arguments. The emphasis on diverse developmental domains and the proposed blended approach aligns well with current best practices in ECE. However, more empirical data or case studies demonstrating the practical implementation of digital tools could further substantiate the claims.	
Are the references sufficient and recent? If you have suggestions of additional references, please mention them in the review form.	The references are sufficient and include a mix of foundational and contemporary sources. However, some additional recent references focusing on digital tool implementation in low-resource settings and AI-driven assessments could enhance the manuscript. Suggested references include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saavedra, A. R., & Opfer, V. D <i>Learning to adapt: A case for adaptive learning in developing world contexts.</i> • Binns, R. <i>Fairness in machine learning: Lessons from political philosophy.</i> 	

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Is the language/English quality of the article suitable for scholarly communications?	The manuscript's language is clear and suitable for scholarly communication, though minor edits for conciseness and readability would improve the flow. For instance, long sentences in the introduction and opportunities sections could be simplified.	
Optional/General comments	The manuscript is a valuable contribution to the discourse on digital transformation in ECE. The recommendations for a blended approach and emphasis on inclusivity are particularly impactful. Incorporating more empirical examples or case studies could elevate its practical relevance. Overall, the manuscript is well-structured and insightful, with minor revisions needed for refinement.	

PART 2:

	Reviewer's comment	Author's comment (if agreed with the reviewer, correct the manuscript and highlight that part in the manuscript. It is mandatory that authors should write his/her feedback here)
Are there ethical issues in this manuscript?	No ethical issues are evident in the manuscript. The discussion on data privacy and equitable access demonstrates awareness of ethical considerations.	

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