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***Seven Secrets of The Savvy School Leader:  
A Conversation with Robert Evans***

Thursday, May 27, 2010, 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.  
Wellesley College Club at Wellesley College  
Wellesley, MA  
\$25 at the door

Is leadership a set of skills to learn and apply, or a set of commitments to proclaim and model? Many school leaders try to do the best of both. Drawing on his new book, *Seven Secrets of the Savvy School Leader: A Guide to Surviving and Thriving*, Rob Evans will outline seven essentials of successful leadership that simplify the challenges, make the job more doable, and promote a better balance between work and life.

Rob Evans is a clinical and organizational psychologist and the Executive Director of The Human Relations Service in Wellesley, MA. A former high school and pre-school teacher, and a former child and family therapist, he has consulted to teachers, administrators, boards, and parents in over 1,200 schools around the country, including scores in Massachusetts. His presentations are known for their lively wit and plain talk. He is the author of many articles and two earlier books, *Family Matters: How Schools Can Cope with The Crisis in Childrearing*, and *The Human Side of School Change*. Learn more at [www.robevans.org](http://www.robevans.org).

**RSVP at [lsankows@wellesley.edu](mailto:lsankows@wellesley.edu) or 781-283-2861.**

***Ready to Rock the Heart of Learning:  
An Evening with Dr. Mac***

Thursday, June 17, 2010, 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.  
Collins Cinema  
Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA  
\$10 at the door

How can music help reinforce children's social and emotional skills? And what music is available for these purposes?

Dr. Mac (aka Don MacMannis, Ph.D.) is an award-winning singer/songwriter specializing in creative projects for young children. He believes that children's music entertains and helps children with the many social and emotional challenges that they face every day. He has recently completed a research project in the Santa Barbara schools that showed that his children's songs and activities helped kids learn skills to approach peers, effectively address teasing and bullying, understand and use the Golden Rule, resolve conflicts by talking out feelings, stay on task, have a positive attitude, and encourage others to do their best.

A child and family psychologist, Dr. Mac is the Clinical Director of the Family Therapy Institute of Santa Barbara, California. His popular *Ready to Rock Kids* music series helps educators and parents as they teach these critical skills to the children in their lives. Learn more at [www.drmacmusic.com](http://www.drmacmusic.com).

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