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Counselor eyes services for youths

David Weidenfeld, school adjustment counselor and musician, has worked for 17 years in schools, community centers and mental health centers. Armed with a master's degree in social work from Columbia University and plenty of experience, he now wants to start a small, part-time business. He works as a counselor at the Gill-Montague school.

Weidenfeld who has practiced psychotherapy in both English and Spanish since 1993, now wants to offer part-time services oriented towards adolescents and adults, while still keeping his school job.

"The workshop really encouraged me. It was very stimulating to be around people who had a diverse range of interests. I also plan to use the free consulting service that Valley CDC offers."

The mini course further helped clarify to him the importance of planning, vision and perseverance which are required in the process of developing a business

In addition to the counseling service, Weidenfeld also wants to continue his work with music.

Recently, parents in his son's daycare center wanted to organize a musical fundraiser for it. At their first rehearsal they performed for two hours.

"I want that there should be sophisticated music that responds to children's innate capacity to listen. It would also give families a chance to get together."

He has been drawing upon course materials as he moves forward with his plan to develop his part-time therapy practice as well as in his current efforts to create a new musical group which will focus upon performing lively music for children and adults alike.



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