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**Press Availability on the Release of DoDEA’s Results
on the 2009 *TerraNova* Assessment**

ARLINGTON, VA – DoDEA is planning to release its 2009 *TerraNova* results on the morning of September 10. Following the release, DoDEA will host a telephonic press conference from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m. on Thursday, September 10.

DoDEA’s 2009 *TerraNova* Multiple Assessments results are based on an updated version of the *TerraNova* assessment. As with previous editions of the assessment, the *TerraNova 3* is a standardized norm-referenced achievement test developed by CTB/McGraw-Hill. On this test, student scores are compared to scores from a “norms group,” of students, which is a national sample of students representing all gender, racial, economic, and geographic groups. Each year, DoDEA administers the *TerraNova* Multiple Assessments in the spring of the school year to all students in Grades 3 through 11, except for those students who have been approved for an alternate assessment.

Experts on education and assessment will be available to respond to questions. Interested media should contact Frank O’Gara (E-Mail Frank.OGara@hq.dodea.edu; Phone 703-588-3260) or Elaine Kanellis (E-Mail Elaine.Kanellis@hq.dodea.edu; Phone 703-588-3265) prior to September 10 if they wish to participate.