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DoDEA Partnership and Outreach Brings Award Winning Hip-Hop Physics Show to West Point Middle School

ALEXANDRIA, VA. March 19, 2015—The Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) along with Honeywell and NASA will bring three, 45 minute, interactive hip hop music, dance shows that teach the basic principles of physics to military connected students in West Point, New York on March 30, 2015.

In partnership with the Presidential Joining Forces Initiative, the Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) has worked with NASA and Honeywell to bring FMA Live! Forces in Motion, an educational science show that encourages students to explore science. This spring tour includes West Point Middle School and Highland Falls Intermediate School.

DoDEA’s Educational Partnership and Outreach branch works with school districts that serve military-connected students. DoDEA’s partnership with FMA Live! Forces in Motion, is part of a continued commitment to extend DoD outreach and quality educational programing in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM). The physics-focused hip hop program serves to help reinforce the basic principles of STEM education subjects, a mission which complements DoDEA’s broader goals to help students achieve excellence in education and to focus on college and career readiness.

The educational program hopes to inspire middle school students to learn and enjoy math and science in a compelling, fun and memorable way and perhaps highlight possible, real-life science and engineering careers.

The show, FMA Live! Forces in Motion will tour several schools along the northeast coast, this spring. The award winning, action-packed show combines hip-hop music, dance, larger-than-life demonstrations and audience participation in a way that engages middle school students and teaches them the basic principles of physics.

DoDEA plans, directs, coordinates, and manages pre-kindergarten through 12th grade education programs for school-aged children of Department of Defense personnel who would otherwise not have access to high-quality public education. DoDEA schools are located in Europe, the Pacific, Western Asia, the Middle East, Cuba, the United States, Guam, and Puerto Rico. DoDEA also provides support and resources to Local Educational Activities throughout the U.S. that serve children of military families.