WASHINGTON, D.C. (April 5, 2000) – The National Education Goals Panel will host a national teleconference on April 13, 2000 at 1 p.m. EDT. The teleconference, entitled “Creating a Framework for High-Achieving Schools,” focuses on the implementation of Baldrige principles in the educational arena. Although Baldrige principles are not new in the business world, they are nothing short of revolutionary in education. The goal of this teleconference is to get the word out about how successful these initiatives are in the hopes that other school administrators, legislators and teachers will replicate them. The teleconference begins a yearlong program that will include four regional field hearings to examine promising practices in education, an in-depth assessment of education reform data and a year-ending teleconference.

*Please note the following media opportunity. **If you would like to attend, please respond by April 10th so that we may include you in the in-studio audience.**

**WHAT:** National Education Goals Panel National Teleconference – “Creating a Framework for High-Achieving Schools”
Reception to immediately follow in studio atrium

**WHO:**
Gov. Tommy Thompson (Wisc.), chair
Tom Houlihan, President/CEO, North Carolina Partnership for Excellence, moderator
Gov. Frank O’Bannon (Indiana), panel member
Dr. Suellen Reed, Indiana Superintendent of Public Instruction
Gerry Anderson, Superintendent, Brazosport Independent School District, Texas
Administrators from Columbus, Indiana
Teachers and students from Azalea Elementary, Pinellas County, Fla.
and Bonnie Eagle High School, Bar Mills, Maine
PLUS local education stakeholders at individual downlink sites

**WHEN:** Broadcast at 1 p.m. EDT; please arrive no later than 12:15 p.m.

**WHERE:** Atlantic Video Studios
650 Massachusetts Ave. NW
Washington, D.C. 20001

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