



The Major League Baseball Players Association has called a 12:30pm ET press conference from Yankee Stadium as the time for **David Ortiz** to address the media regarding his positive steroid test as part of the 2003 Survey Test. Joining Ortiz will be Michael Weiner, the incoming executive director of the MLBPA. The press conference will be aired on NESN, and streamed live on MLB.com.

Ortiz and Manny Ramirez' names were leaked to *The New York Times* as being part of 104 names that came up positive for performance-enhancing substances during a joint MLB/MLBPA "Survey Test" to determine how prevalent steroid use was in baseball. The results were to remain anonymous and confidential. The Survey Test was done to determine if mandatory drug testing in Major League Baseball would occur, should more than 5 percent of the players test positive. The 104 players that tested positive accounted for approx. 7 percent of the total. The results from the Survey Test were seized as part of the on-going BALCO investigation by the Federal government. The names of the players are under court seal. The leaking of the names to *The New York Times* is against the law, and is being investigated.

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