



**CLARK COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
NEWS RELEASE**

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**Coronado High School marching band is on its way to Ireland for St.  
Patrick's Festival Parade**

*Students to perform 5,000 miles away from home for the historic celebration*

**LAS VEGAS** – The Coronado High School marching band took off from McCarran International Airport on the morning of March 13 and is now on its way to Dublin, Ireland, to perform during the St. Patrick's Festival Parade on March 17. The theme for this year's festival taking place March 14-17 is "Celebrate Now," and Coronado High School will join other bands from across the U.S., Mexico, Germany and Ireland to bring excitement to the crowd of this iconic city.

Under the leadership of Band Director Benjamin Franke and Assistant Band Director Jeffrey McCracken, students have worked tirelessly to earn this prestigious invitation. With trip costs totaling approximately \$2,500 per student, members of the marching band have been taking part in fundraising efforts for the past year to help pay for the fare.

Not only will Coronado High School students have the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to experience the St. Patrick's Festival, but they will also get the chance to see the sights that Dublin has to offer.

To learn more about Coronado High School, visit [coronadocougars.net](http://coronadocougars.net).



Coronado High School students are excited about their trip to Dublin, Ireland.

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