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### **Ashwaubenon Jaguar Marching Band to March in the World's Largest Parade**

**Ashwaubenon, WI – March 6, 2015** - The Ashwaubenon High School Jaguar Marching Band will be traveling to New York City on March 13-18 to participate in 254<sup>th</sup> annual New York St. Patrick's Day Parade. The band will be having a final dress rehearsal, which is open to the public, in AHS Fieldhouse on Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

This is the fourth time in the last sixteen years the AHS Jaguar Marching band has been invited to take part in what New Yorkers consider their most popular parade. The students will march in front of approximately 2 million spectators lining Fifth Avenue. The Parade is televised for four hours on WNBC Channel Four to over a million and a half households in the New York area.

The parade marches up Fifth Avenue, past St. Patrick's Cathedral at 50th Street, and up to 79<sup>th</sup> Street. To this day, the St. Patrick's Day Parade remains true to its roots as a marchers Parade by not allowing floats, automobiles and other commercial aspects in the Parade. The St. Patrick's Day Parade is one of New York City's greatest traditions. On this day, everyone is Irish in the Big Apple! The Parade marched for the first time on March 17, 1762 - fourteen Years before the signing of the Declaration of Independence and today it is the largest parade in the world.

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