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CCSD recognized as "2019 Best Communities for Music Education" for 20th year in a row

Honor presented by the National Association of Music Merchants

LAS VEGAS - For the 20th consecutive year, the Clark County School District (CCSD) Music Education Program has been honored with the Best Communities for Music Education designation from the National Association of Music Merchants (NAMM).

Now in its 20th year, the Best Communities for Music Education designation is awarded to districts that demonstrate outstanding achievement in efforts to provide music access and education to all students.

"CCSD's Humanities Department is tremendously honored to once again be awarded with this recognition for the 20th year in a row," said CCSD Director of Humanities Shannon La Neve. "We know this award would not be possible without the tremendous support from our Board of Trustees, CCSD family of teachers, administrators and support professionals who make the remarkable CCSD music education program a reality."

Districts that have been recognized by the NAMM are often models for other educators looking to boost their own music education programs. To qualify for the Best Communities designation, CCSD answered detailed questions about funding, graduation requirements, music class participation, instruction time, facilities, support for the music program and community music-making programs. Responses were verified with school officials and reviewed by the Music Research Institute at the University of Kansas. CCSD joins 623 districts across the country in receiving this prestigious award in 2019.

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