

Department of Music & Theater Arts

BASIC MUSIC THEORY

Level: College Prep Course # 8413

This course covers basic music theory concepts including note reading and writing, rhythms, scales, triads, four-part harmony, transposition, and basic composition. Emphasis is placed on ear-training through listening and the dictation of rhythms and melodies. Notation and symbols as formalized by J.S. Bach as well as contemporary notation will be utilized. The year culminates with a composition project. No technical knowledge of music is necessary, however a working knowledge of musical notation is highly recommended.