

AP Music Theory
9-weeks 1 Schedule

Week 1

M – Welcome! Syllabus, etc. ☺

T – Pre-test. No fear!

W – **New Concept:** Pitch-class, Clefs HW: HW 1

R – **New Concept:** Key Signatures, HW: HW 2 & HW 4

F – **New Concept:** Intervals. HW: HW 3

Week 2

M – **New Concept:** Minor Scales HW: HW 5

T – **New Concept:** Scale Degree Classification HW: HW 6

W – Aural day (intervals)

R – **New Concept:** Meter, Beaming HW: HW 7

F – **New Concept:** Triads HW: HW 8

Week 3

M – Aural day (intervals, scales, triads)

T – Q1 (aural)

W – In Class Activity (how well do you know key sigs?)
and **“Intro to Music Composition”** Software

R – Review for T 1

F – T 1

Week 4

M – *No School! Labor Day!*

T – **New Concept:** Roman Numerals

W – Seventh Chords HW: HW 9

and Aural day (Aural books and SS)

R – **New Concept:** Primary Triads and Basic Composition
“part 1”

F – “Part 2” HW: HW 10

Week 5

M – Review HW 10 in class HW: HW 11

T – Review HW 11 in class

W – **New Concept:** Harmonic Analysis HW: HW 12 (due on
Friday)

R – Q2

F – Aural day (Aural book and SS) HW: HW 14

Week 6

M – **New Concept:** Inversions HW: HW 13

T – Aural day (intervals, scales, triads, 7th chords) HW: HW
15

W – **New Concept:** Secondary Triads HW: HW 16

R – **New Concept:** Phrase Structure Part 1: Cadences,
Phrase, Period

F – Phrase Structure Part 2: “Six-Four Chords” HW: HW 17

Week 7

M – Review for T2

T – T2

W – **New Concept:** NCT’s “part 1”

R – NCT’s “part 2” HW: HW 18

F – Aural day (Aural books and SS)

Week 8

M – *Fall Holiday*

T – Aural day (Aural books and SS)

W – Q3

R – HW 19 in class

F – HW 20 in class

Week 9

M – Q4

T – Review for T3

W – T3

R – Compositions Due! (we listen in class!)

F – Continue listening to Comps ☺

AP MUSIC THEORY CLASS POLICIES:

1. Respect one another's differences ~ feed on one another's strengths. ☺
2. Homework is to be turned in the following day after it is assigned. I check for accuracy. ☺ Late homework is worth HALF CREDIT. Refer to school policy for absences and makeup work. (it's in your agenda book)
3. If you are absent on a Quiz or Test day...rest assured the makeup Quiz or Test is more difficult. ☺
4. We will not discuss the *actual* AP Exam until **January**. Mark your calendars now. ☺
5. **Be your own advocate.** Don't ever, ever, EVER let me move on if you don't understand something. ☺
6. Check your email and our website often. LOTS of info and resources there for you. ☺

www.leonperformingarts.org/aptheory

Grading Procedures:

A total of 1000 points can be earned each 9-weeks. You can do the math to determine what your letter grade will be. Please note: 895/1000 is still a "B". To me, that is 5 points away from an A...not ½ point. Each term has a slightly different breakdown. The basic layout is:

Homework/Class Assignments	between 10-35 points
Quizzes (aural and non-aural)	between 40-75 points each
Tests	100 points
9-weeks Composition Assignment	50-300 points (increases every term)

Extra Credit:

Concerts that involve Leon AP Theory students are worth 5 points extra credit (equivalent to 5 points added to a test grade) per concert.
Concerts that do not involve Leon AP Theory students are worth 2.5 points extra credit for every 2 concerts attended.

ALL CONCERTS LISTED ON WWW.LEONPERFORMINGARTS.ORG

- .. You may not be a performer or technician in any way for the concert.
- .. **HALF** page (typed, 12 pt font, double spaced) review that intelligently discusses the *musical elements* of the performance. The MUSICAL elements. ☺
- .. You must attach the program/ticket to your Concert Review.
- .. The Concert Review is due no later than 3 **school** days following the event.

Absences:

Don't be absent. This class has a nasty "snowball" effect when you are gone. It is *extremely* difficult to keep up! If you are gone and you miss a HW assignment, there is a plastic folder on the AP Theory bulletin board that contains extra copies of the homework assignments. It is your responsibility to get that assignment and submit it in a timely manner. Here's the bright side: I know when all the "music kid" trips are. I'm not gonna make your life miserable. ☺
Special Note: If you are absent more than 6 times during the first **or** second 9-weeks (no matter the reason), and you have a "C" or below...I will drop you from the class.

Exam Exemption:

The Semester Exam **can** be exempted by students earning an "A" in both the first and second 9-week grading period (unless you've been suspended. If you've been suspended...well...shame on you. You deserve to take your exams.)