

AP Music Theory: Summer Assignments

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Assignment 1 due: Thursday August 26th, students registering at the start of the year will have until September 7th to complete the assignment.

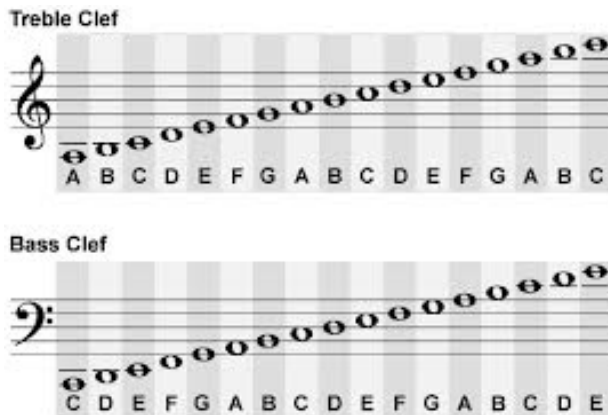
Assignment 2 due: First quiz August 23rd

- 1) Purchase the Alfred's Essentials of Music Theory, complete (NEW, with 2 CD's) from: <https://www.alfred.com/alfreds-essentials-of-music-theory-complete/p/00-16486/>



Students are to complete *pages 1-55* including all ear-training portions with accompanying CD's. The assignment will likely take students between 4 and 6 hours. Student should space out the assignment and avoid procrastination. The assignment will be assessed for completion and accuracy and is due Thursday August 26th.

- 2) Students must develop fluency in all the pictured note names below for the Treble and Bass Clef (34 notes total). I encourage you to spend the necessary time to develop total fluency. *Students who do not become completely fluent on note names will struggle throughout the year.* While using acronyms may be helpful at first, students will be required to name notes more quickly and will need to recognize them instantly at sight.



How to Study note names?

- 1) Download an iPhone/iPad application such as "Music Tutor Free" or "Name that note". This times you and grades you. I suggest regular practice (5-10 minutes a day for a month)
- 2) Buy/make flashcards. Review notes that you struggle with.

There will be 3 quizzes and a test on note names.

Quiz 1 on August 23th- 45 note names in 120 seconds.

Quiz 2 on August 25th- 45 note names in 90 seconds.

Test 1- 15% of grade is timed note names.