

MUSIC THEORY CLASS
(A music elective class for seniors)

Kellenberg Memorial offers an elective class in Music Theory. This class is aimed at exposing music students to a higher level of *theory* than is possible in our performing ensembles and Introduction to Music classes alone. It will be especially useful for those students who plan to pursue music in college where it is often assumed that you have had this instruction at the high school level. For those who are not looking to major or minor in music at the collegiate level, the course will provide a greater understanding of the rhythmic elements and the harmonic theory involved in music, leading to improved overall skills in such areas as sight reading, improvising and composition/songwriting. After taking the course, all students will be better prepared for participation in a musically active life after high school.

Music theory will be a ½ unit class, meeting on alternating days. This course is offered to seniors only. To gain admittance to the class, prospective students will take a pre-test to determine the presence of basic musical skills necessary for success. The test date will be announced in May.

If you think that you would like to enhance your musical knowledge through participation in this class, please complete the questions on the bottom of this paper and *return it to any music teacher* **BY Friday, April 29, 2016.**

Name_____

Homeroom_____

Please list all Kellenberg Memorial Performing groups in which you participate.

My primary instrument is _____ Taking private lessons _____
Please list all other instruments which you can play and years of lessons (if applicable).

Please list outside school musical activities.

How does music figure into your future plans after high school?

On the back of this paper, please write a brief paragraph describing why you would like to take this course.

Student signature

Parent signature