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Music Theory Summer Reading Assignment

Please contact Ms. Clark – mnclark@aacps.org if you have any questions.

This summer I would like you to come up with your own answer to the question "What is music?"

1. Upon your **first** instinct, how would you define music?

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Read the two articles below.
http://www.resurgence.org/magazine/article2540-What-is-Music.html

http://www.lightbridgemusic.com/power.htm

2. Taking a closer look, can other things than instruments make music? Can a bird? What about metal clanging in a factory? What about the silence of a room? What exactly needs to be present in order for music to be taking place?

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3. Why is music such an essential part of our culture?

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II. Read the following article that defines ***Music Theory***.
http://www.musictheory.halifax.ns.ca/whymusictheory.html

1. What did you learn from this article that you didn't know before?

III. Complete Chapter 1found at
http://www.gmajormusictheory.org/Fundamentals/workbooks.html. Print the 9 pages and come prepared to turn them in on the first day of class.