

VMTA Theory, Skills, and Sightreading Tests

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Guidelines:	VMTA Yearbook
Syllabus:	<u>Theory</u> : On VMTA Website <u>Skills/Sightreading</u> : On VMTA Website, or order from Fay Barss
Application Forms:	VMTA Yearbook Event Application Forms section, or on VMTA Website
Fees:	\$12.00 per test (Each student may take only 1 test level per year. Students may skip levels if the teacher feels a student is able.) (Check payable to VMTA)
Postmark Deadline:	Thursday, February 1 (any application received AFTER the postmark deadline WILL NOT be accepted. Please make sure application is correct before submission.)
SR/Skills Event Date:	Sunday, February 25 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rhapsody Piano and Guitar• Times for Sightreading and Keyboard skills tests are individually scheduled and will be e-mailed to participating teachers.
Theory Test Event Date:	Sunday, March 11 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Virginia Commonwealth University• Singleton Center for the Performing Arts and James Black Music Center• Times will be scheduled once applications are received. All testing times will be the afternoon of testing day.

Teacher responsibility

All teachers entering students in the VMTA Theory, Skills, and Sightreading Tests must be available for monitoring or volunteering between the hours of **12:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.** on the day of the testing (on each day). The theory and skills/sightreading chairs will make specific assignments after receiving the applications by the postmark deadline. If a teacher absolutely cannot be available on the testing day, a substitute who is knowledgeable must be found. The substitute must be approved by the theory chair and listed on the form located in the Event Application Forms section. **Students of teachers who do not follow these guidelines will not be allowed to take the test.**

Additional Information

Theory grading will occur AFTER theory day and will be completed within 1 week. We will secure volunteers/graders prior to testing with a set of guidelines and procedures. Our proctors/monitors and parents will receive a guideline for the day to help things run smoothly.