

# THEORY 4

## *KEY SIGNATURES*

The **Circle of Fifths** (or fourths) is listed below. This circle displays the key signature name, the number of sharps/flats, and any enharmonic keys. The left of “C” is the FLAT side. The right of “C” is the SHARP side. The key of “C” has no flats or sharps.

There are only 12 possible major keys (one for each note of a keyboard).  
There are 24 total possible keys (major and minor keys).

### **ORDER OF SHARPS**

F C G D A E B

### **ORDER OF FLATS:**

B E A D G C F

**ORDER OF FLATS IS THE ORDER OF SHARPS BACKWARDS (AND VICE-VERSA)**

If you are in the key of one sharp...that sharp will ALWAYS be F#

**The order of sharps/flats MUST be followed for all Major and minor key signatures.**

ALL QUESTIONS ASKED WILL REFER TO MAJOR KEYS (unless noted)

### **QUESTIONS:**

1. What is the key of 3 flats the answer would be?
2. The key of A Major has how many flats/sharps? Which flats/sharps?
3. What are the three enharmonic keys?
4. What key has no flats?
5. How many flats/sharps are in the key of C# Major?

