## FOUR-YEAR ACADEMIC FRAMEWORK

FRESHMAN	Cr	SOPHOMORE	Cr	JUNIOR	Cr	SENIOR	Cr
English 1	1	English 2	1	English 3	1	English 4	1
U.S. History 1	1	U.S. History 2	1	World History	1	(Social Studies or other elective)	(1)
Mathematics	1	Mathematics	1	Mathematics	1	(Math or other elective)	(1)
Science	1	Science	1	Science	1	(Science or other elective)	(1)
World Language <sup>1</sup>	1	(World Language or other elective) <sup>1</sup>	(1)	(World Language or other elective) <sup>1</sup>	(1)	(World Language or other elective) <sup>1</sup>	(1)
Related Arts (Visual & Performing Arts OR 21st Century Life & Careers or Career- Technical Ed.) <sup>2</sup>	1	Related Arts (Visual & Performing Arts OR 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Life & Careers or Career- Technical Ed.) <sup>2</sup>	1	(V&PA, 21CL&C/C-TE or other elective)	(1)	(V&PA, 21CL&C/C-TE or other elective)	(1)
Freshman Health & Physical Education <sup>3</sup>	1	Driver Education, Health & Physical Education <sup>3</sup>	1	Junior Health & Physical Education <sup>3</sup>	1	Senior Health & Physical Education <sup>3</sup>	1
(additional elective)	(1)	(additional elective)	(1)	(additional elective)	(1)	(additional elective)	(1)

New Jersey Department of Education (NJDOE) requires 24 credits for graduation. Graduation requirements are **bolded**. Courses beyond NJDOE minimum requirements are *italicized*. Most Northern Valley Regional High School (NVRHS) students earn credits beyond the minimum required.

NVRHS students must take a minimum of seven credits each year. Students are strongly encouraged to consider taking eight credits each year where appropriate and when considered in the context of the individual student schedule, goals, interests, commitments and responsibilities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Students may defer World Language until 10<sup>th</sup> grade if no elective can be scheduled. College-bound students are **strongly** encouraged to complete two or more sequential years in the same language. Competitive colleges generally expect more than two years of World Language.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Over four years, one Related Arts course must fulfill "Visual & Performing Arts" standards and one <u>must</u> fulfill "21st Century Life & Careers or Career-Technical Ed." standards. Students may take two Related Arts courses in 9th grade - these may be in the same subject area if desired. Some colleges (such as California state schools) have specific 'Fine & Performing Arts' requirements. Consult individual colleges for clarification.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>NJDOE requires Physical Education/Health/Driver Education enrollment for each year enrolled in a New Jersey public school-

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Students may fulfill this PFL requirement anytime over the four years through approved courses, including approved summer school.