

REQUIRED ELECTIVES: **21ST CENTURY LIFE & CAREERS OR CAREER-TECHNICAL EDUCATION; VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS; PERSONAL FINANCIAL LITERACY**

The NJDOE requires students to fulfill one credit in each of the two following elective areas: **Visual and Performing Arts** and **21st Century Life and Careers or Career-Technical Education**. Through Option 2, students may stay within a particular subject area and still complete graduation requirements. However, only certain courses in **Visual and Performing Arts** fulfill the requirements of **21st Century Life and Careers or Career-Technical Education**, and vice versa.

Courses that qualify for **Visual and Performing Arts** requirement:

All courses in the **Music Department**

All courses in the **Theatre Arts Department**

All courses in the **Visual Arts Department**

- Child Development 1; Child Development 2; Advanced Child Development Honors
- Culinary Arts 1; Advanced Culinary Arts courses
- **Marketing 1; Marketing 2; Marketing 3H**
- **Technical & Architectural Drawing courses**
- **Woodworking Processing & Products 1 (Beginning 2016-17); Woodworking Processing & Products 2**

Courses that qualify for **21st Century Life and Careers or Career-Technical Education** requirement:

All courses in the **Business Education Department**

All courses in the **Family and Consumer Sciences Department**

All courses in the **Technology & Engineering Department**

- **Choir 1; String Orchestra 1; Wind Symphony 1**
- **Music Theory & Technology**
- Theatre Arts 1; Stagecraft & Design 1, 2, 3
- Advanced Digital Art & Animation
- Digital Art & Design
- Digital Photography
- Printmaking and Photography
- **Journalism 1, 2H or 3H**

In addition to these two elective requirements, students must take .5 credits in **Financial, Economic, Business and Entrepreneurial Literacy** (Personal Financial Literacy or 'PFL'). Courses that may satisfy this requirement include:

- AP Macroeconomics & AP Microeconomics (taken together)
- **Business Organization and Management***
- Economics
- **Life Skills***
- **Personal Financial Literacy**
- NVRHS 'Summer School' Personal Financial Literacy (hybrid course)
- Pre-approved, accredited, virtual or traditional course in Personal Financial Literacy offered outside of Northern Valley (if above options cannot be accommodated).

*Note: Life Skills or Business Organization and Management may not be used to satisfy both the **Financial, Economic, Business and Entrepreneurial Literacy** (PFL) and the **21st Century Life and Careers or Career-Technical Education** requirements simultaneously.

NVRHS courses fulfill NJDOE requirements.

Some colleges (such as California state schools) have specific Fine & Performing Arts requirements. Consult individual colleges for clarification.