	Essential Question(s)	Unit	Key Concepts
Aug.	Why study History? Why do people rebel? What unites and/or divides a nation?	<ul> <li>History of Me - Learning Progression</li> <li>Pre-Test What Unites &amp; Divides</li> <li>Causes of the American Revolution</li> </ul>	Individuals & events impact self and future Conflict Helix
Sept	Why do people rebel? What unites and/or divides a nation?	<ul> <li>Causes of the American Revolution</li> <li>American Revolution</li> </ul>	Conflict Helix  Resources & logistics  Dec. of Indy
Oct.	What unites and/or divides a nation? What is the purpose of government?	<ul><li>American Revolution</li><li>New Nation</li></ul>	Resources & logistics Dec. of Indy Preamble of the Constitution
Nov.	What is the purpose of government? What unites and/or divides a nation?	<ul><li>New Nation/Creating a Republic</li><li>Government</li></ul>	Preamble of the Constitution Bill of Rights & citizenship
Dec.	What makes a "good" leader? What unites and/or divides a nation?	Presidency	Leaders have certain qualities that can be developed over time
Jan.	How and why did our nation expand? What unites and/or divides a nation?	Western Expansion	Resources are limited, People gravitate to high resource areas
Feb.	How did slavery have an impact on a dividing nation? What unites and/or divides a nation?	Sectionalism	Nationalism vs. loyalty to a region/state Resources

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Apr.	Must a nation deconstruct outdated institutions to become "a more perfect union"? What unites and/or divides a nation?	• Civil War	Cost of War, Blood and Treasure, Lincoln's election, States Rights??? Resources vs. Institutions
May	How did reconstruction build a modern America? What unites and/or divides a nation? Who did it?	<ul> <li>Reconstruction</li> <li>Post test Unite/Divide</li> <li>JFK (if time permits)</li> </ul>	A more perfect Union, The struggle to rebuild a nation Supporting a Claim