North Carolina Essential Standards- 8 th Grade Social Studies	Dream of a Nation Chapters											
	1. A People Centered and Accountable Government	2. Citizen Stewardship	3. Creating a Stable and Equitable Economy	4. A New Media That Informs and Empowers	5. Aiming for the Best in Education	6. Re-Powering America	7. Improving Health and Avoiding Alarming Trends	8. Ending Poverty and Building Common Wealth	9. Re-Imaging Business	10. Strengthening Communities	11. Waging Peace	12. A Nation That Shines
❖Clarifying Objective 8.E.1.1 - Explain how conflict, cooperation, and competition influenced periods of economic growth and decline (e.g. economic depressions and recessions).		*	*					*	*	*	*	
❖ Clarifying Objective 8.E.1.2 - Use economic indicators (e.g. GDP, inflation and unemployment) to evaluate the growth and stability of the economy of North Carolina and the United States.			*					*	*			
❖ Clarifying Objective 8.E.1.3- Explain how quality of life is impacted by personal financial choices (e.g. credit, savings, investing, borrowing and giving).	*		*		*		*	*	*	*		
❖ Clarifying Objective 8.C&G.1.1- Summarize democratic ideals expressed in local, state, and national government (e.g. limited government, popular sovereignty, separation of powers, republicanism, federalism and individual rights).	*	*		*				*		*	*	*
❖ Clarifying Objective 8.C&G.1.3 -Analyze differing viewpoints on the scope and power of state and national governments (e.g. Federalists and anti-Federalists, education, immigration and healthcare).	*				*		*			*	*	
❖ Clarifying Objective 8.C&G.2.2 - Analyze issues pursued through active citizen campaigns for change (e.g. voting rights and access to education, housing and employment).	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*

❖Clarifying Objective 8.C&G.2.3 - Explain the impact of human and civil rights issues throughout North Carolina and United States history.					*	*		*		*		
*Clarifying Objective 8.C.1.3- Summarize the contributions of particular groups to the development of North Carolina and the United States (e.g. women, religious groups, and ethnic minorities such as American Indians, African Americans, and European immigrants).					*			*		*		*
*Clarifying Objective 8.G.1.3- Explain how human and environmental interaction affected quality of life and settlement patterns in North Carolina and the United States (e.g. environmental disasters, infrastructure development, coastal restoration and alternative sources of energy).		*				*			*	*		*
❖Clarifying Objective 8.H.3.3 - Explain how individuals and groups have influenced economic, political and social change in North Carolina and the United States.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*