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| **8th Grade** | **Unit Name** | **Length of Study** |
| Beginning of Year | Introduction/Community Building/Review | 5 classes |
| Unit 1 | Music and TheaterGerman/Austrian Dances: Schuhplattler/WalzerDescribing and teaching movementGerman songs: The 80’s Neue Deutsche WelleA musical revolution in GermanyWriting short stories based on lyricsGrammar: nouns, adverbials, subordinate clause word order, prepositions “zu” and “nach”, helping verbs in present perfect(used in assignments and practices throughout the year) | 10 classes |
| DSD1 Prep | Writing a letter to the editor in German | 10 classes |
| Unit 2 | Human-Environmental InteractionThe Energy Revolution in GermanyGreen energy sources, dangers of nuclear powerCompare-contrast energy policy USA-GermanyFilm: “Die Wolke”  | 10 classes |
| Unit 3 | Our World and Global ContributionsGerman companies in the Charlotte regionResearch and presentations Preparing for a job interview | 15 classes |
| Unit 4 | Waves of Change(immigration)Historical background of immigration to GermanyCurrent political climate in GermanyPosition paper: pro or con allowing immigration into Germany | 15 classes |
| Unit 5 | Novel Study: “Rico, Oskar und die Tieferschatten” Plot, characterization, point of view, unreliable narrator | 20 classes |
| End of Year | Review/ Exam preparation | 5 classes |