Jr. High BALLOT **Impromptu** (7 min. 30 sec. grace) Round _____ Room _____

Performer_____School_____ Time_____

Selection_____

Ranking in Round: (There may be no ties) 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th

Rules: (If a rule is broken, judge should lower the speaker one ranking.)
*Based on a selection of one of three written statements, phrases or objects, the speaker will prepare a speech that lasts for at least two minutes.
*Speaker is given a TOTAL of 7 minutes with a 30 second grace period to PREPARE and DELIVER their speech.
*Prep time begins once a student tells judge what topic they choose.
*Minute by minute time signals must be given to contestant.
*Judge calls contestant to choose a number associated with a group of 3 topics. Contestant chooses topic. That group of topics is now eliminated from being chosen by other contestants. Time begins. Contestant has 7 minutes (30 second grace) to prepare **and** deliver speech. When contestant is ready to speak, they go to front of room and begin their speech. TIME NEVER STOPS UNTIL CONTESTANT FINISHES SPEAKING!

CRITERIA: 5--Superior	4--Excellent	3--Good	2--Average	1-- Fair
Introduction: Did it capture your attention? Did it establish background information?	1	2	3	4	5
Organization: Were the points clear and concise? Did it follow a logical order? Was the language clear and concise?	1	2	3	4	5
Topic Selection: Was it timely and worthwhile? Did the speaker understand the issues the topic deals with? Did the speaker address the topic?	1	2	3	4	5
Conclusion: Did the speaker conclude the speech effectively? Were all points revisited and summed up?	1	2	3	4	5
Overall Impression: Did you feel that the speech persuaded you to think or do something differently? Did the speech inform you over the chosen topic?	1	2	3	4	5

Additional Comments: (feel free to use the back)

Judge's Signature_____