Competitor _____

Round _____ Section_____ Room _____

JV POETRY INTERPRETATION BALLOT

Judge Name: _____ Judge: Please do not discuss this ballot with anyone.

Title & Author of Selection: _____**Time**:_____

Rate the competitor's effectiveness in each of the categories on the scales given below. Please write comments to elaborate on the way the competitor was rated. (This will help both students and coaches.)

Introduction: (6 points possible) **Points Given:** _____

- Introduction and/or teaser captures audience attention
- Original introduction creates interest and justifies the significance of the piece
- Introduction is memorized and delivered with book closed

Presentation: (15 points possible) **Points Given:** _____

- Conveys the author's intent and brings the selection(s) to life
- Chooses well-written poetry with relevant theme(s)
- Presents the theme or essence of the selection(s) clearly
- Transitions between scenes, characters, and/or selections well
- Brings selection(s) to a satisfying and conclusive end

Interpretation: (15 points possible) **Points Given:** _____

- Variety of pitch, rate, volume, rhythm
- Off-stage focus used appropriately/consistently
- Effective gestures, purposeful movement, posture
- Narrator, characters, and/or selection(s) are vocally and physically distinct
- Clarity, enunciation, pronunciation of speech

Notebook Technique: (4 points possible) **Points Given:** _____

- Use of notebook is natural, effective, creative
- Notebook does not distract from presentation

Comments:

Total Points given: _____

20 (or less) ---------- 30 ---------- 40
Poor ←---------- Average ----------→ Superior
After rating points are assigned, rank ballots in order of rating points given.

Violations:
Failure to use a forensic notebook _____ + Failure to cite Title & Author _____ + Overtime _____ = _____Total Violations
[2 rank violation] [1 rank violation] [1 rank violation]

Transfer final rank from Tabulation Form [Original Rank + Violations = Final Rank] [Example 1st + 3 = 4th]
Final Rank:
1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th and below