



IMPROMPTU CATEGORY DETAILS

The Impromptu category was developed to encourage senior students who have outgrown their interest in speech competitions. This activity encourages a fresh approach to public speaking. Students require a significant level of mental preparedness and be able to draw from skills acquired by previous years of public speaking. Speech preparation time is limited and topics are pre-selected.

1. Impromptu categories are for students in grades 9/10 and 11/12 only. Students in French Immersion, Français and French: Communication and Culture compete in the same category.
2. Students can participate in both Impromptu and Speech (Discours) categories.
3. Students participating in Impromptu receive their topic on site and have 15 minutes to prepare notes for a 2-4 minute speech. Dictionaries, cue cards, pens and pencils are supplied.
4. Students present their speech before a panel of 3 judges.
5. No questions are asked to students after their speech.
6. Students are judged according to presentation, vocal expression, coherence of speech and quality of language.
7. Students are penalized if time allotments are not respected.
8. Prizes are awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners.