**Convention Political Cartoon**

**Intro to cartoons:**

Cartoonist create images that poke fun or bring attention to political issues. Political cartoons have been used since Ben Franklin’s “join or die” cartoon before the revolution. Today many news papers, magazines, and blogs use them to inform citizens of issues in a creative way.

**Instructions:**

After the convention word was out. The U.S had a new constitution! You are a cartoonist at a Virginian newspaper. Your editor asked you to create a political cartoon that would accurately capture some major decisions made at the convention. You make poke fun at one of the ideas or praise and idea that will fix many of America’s problems.

**Your editor gave you the following topics:**

1. 3/5 compromise
2. Shay’s Rebellion (capture how it led to needing a change)
3. Problems with Articles of Confederation
4. Too much power in the National Government
5. State’s rights
6. The Great Compromise
7. The Virginia Plan
8. The New Jersey Plan
9. The Electoral College
10. What is a “President”?
11. Throwing out the Articles instead of amending them
12. Checks and Balances (on the people, president, congress)
13. Presidential power of making appointments
14. President as Commander in Chief
15. Congress declaring war
16. Qualifications to be President
17. Veto

**Scoring Rubric**

Neatness: Easy to read, colorful, clear ideas. \_\_\_\_/5

Creativity: Unique, original and thoughtful. \_\_\_\_/5

Content: Addresses topic from convention. \_\_\_\_/5

Total: /15