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1. Congratulations to our golf team! We recently won the Region I golf championship held here in Williamsburg and hosted by our athletics department. We placed 3 golfers on the all-region team. This week the team is defending its state championship.
2. Shortly after a recent senior assembly at which students voiced their apprehensions over senior exam privileges, I met with the two other high school principals and our assistant superintendent to discuss our common concerns, particularly as they relate to exams. We discussed the students' frustrations and concerns. We sought to address any rumors floating around and to clarify everyone's understanding. The meeting resulted in the following:

First, seniors who are enrolled in A/B year long courses will NOT be required to take **mid-term examinations** in January. This applies to seniors only.

Second, there are no changes to the **final end-of-year examination** exemption requirements. Seniors with a "B" or higher and who have five or fewer days of absence from any course with end-of-the-year examinations can qualify for an exam exemption in that course.

Third, if there are any changes in mid-term examinations for the Classes of 2013, 2014, and 2015, they will be phased in beginning next school year. These possible changes will be clarified prior to the class registration process.

And, last, we are here to partner with our students. Our academic goal is to provide you with a rigorous, healthy, and student-centered school. We will seek to address your questions as they arise. Please see your counselor or an administrator if you have additional questions.