

# Preps in hockey loop

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AMES—Columbus High of Waterloo and the Waterloo Public Schools hockey teams are two members of the newly-formed Iowa High School Hockey League.

The final details and schedules were drawn up here over the weekend.

Both Columbus and the Public team are in the first division of the league. Other teams in that division are a combined Sioux City squad, Dowling of Des Moines, Valley of West Des Moines, Urbandale and a combined team from Hoover and Roosevelt Highs in Des Moines.

Each division I team will play 12 league games. A team will play each opponent twice on a home-and-home basis.

The Public schools' first league game is Nov. 26 while Columbus opens its conference season Nov. 28. Both teams are planning additional games with Minnesota schools.

High school hockey practice starts in two weeks for Waterloo schools.

The second division, consisting of teams in their first year of formal competition or teams that were weak last year, includes Lincoln of Des Moines, Mason City, Webster City, Ankeny and Ames.

Iowa State hockey coach Al Murdock was elected league commissioner. Each city involved in the league has one member on the board of directors.

Waterloo's member is Dave Tyler, who is also a director for the Amateur Hockey Association of the United States.