

Prep hockey teams open home season

Waterloo's two high school hockey teams open their home seasons this weekend at McElroy Auditorium.

The Waterloo Public Warriors—a combined team of players from East, Central and West—play Urbandale at 7:30 p.m. Friday night.

Columbus High of Waterloo, the defending state champion, starts its season with a 6 p.m. game against Ankeny Sunday.

Waterloo Public kicked off its campaign with a 4-3 exhibition game loss to Dowling of West Des Moines.

The Sailors are under the direction of new coach Mark Mahoney.

Dave Swick, former Waterloo Black Hawk player and coach, heads the Public program for the second year.