

Metros play in state meet next weekend

DES MOINES — The Sioux City Metros will be one of nine teams competing in the Iowa High School Hockey League's sixth annual state tournament in the Ice Arena here beginning Friday.

Teams entered, in addition to the Metros, are Ames, Waterloo Columbus, West Des Moines Dowling and Valley, Des Moines Hoover-Roosevelt, Mason City, Urbandale and Waterloo.

Bob Thompson, tournament director for the IHSHL, said pairings would not be determined until final regular-season games are completed. "But under the new tournament format," he said, "all teams will play at least three games."

All teams will see action in five games Friday beginning at 10 a.m. Saturday's slate, which gets under way at 8 a.m., also will include five contests. Sunday's activity will begin with a 9 a.m. game and conclude with the championship contest at 4:30 p.m.

Tournament tickets are now on sale at the Ice Arena, 73rd St. and Hickman Road, Des Moines, 50322. A tournament pass, good for all 14 games, is priced at \$10 for adults and \$5 for students. Tickets for the championship session sell for \$3 and \$1:50 with the price for all other sessions set at \$2.50 and \$1. Children under age 5 will be admitted free.

Waterloo won the state title last March held at McElroy Auditorium in Waterloo.