Metros begin postseason

Sioux City meets Lincoln in guarterfinals of MHSHL tourney

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WEST DES MOINES - The Sioux City Metros' bid for the Midwest High School Hockey League championship begins Friday.

The Metros, the No. 4 seed in

the eight-team postseason tournament, meet No. 5 seed Lincoln Stars at 11 a.m. Friday at the MidAmerican Energy RecPiex in West Des Moimes.

The winner of the Sioux City-Lincoln quarterfinal match will meet the victor of the #1 seed Kansus City Jets and #8 seed Des Moines Capitals quarterfinal in a semifinal matchat 4:30 p.m.

Saturday. In the other side of the bracket, #3 seed Omaha will face \$6 seed Mason

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City in one quar- Solma terfinal Friday, while the #2 seed Des Moines Oak Leafs will meet #7 seed

Dubuque in the other semifinal. Faceoff for the championship game is set for 11:45 a.m. on Sunday.

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The Metros, who were first in the regular season standings at the holiday break, finished fourth with a 21-9-1-1 record, for 44 points. Kansas City, the defending postseason champion, finished first with a 30-2 mark, for 60 points.

Iunior forward Nate Solma leads the Metros in scoring with 35 goals and 57 points. Senior defenseman Joe Hope had seven goals, 30 assists and 37 points. Junior defenseman Grant Harder finished with 20 goals, 21 assists and 41 points.

Solma, Hope and Harder were named to the MHSHL All-Star Team, while Hope was the Metro's lone selection to the 2022-23 All-League Team.

Junior goalie Lochin Jackson



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Sioux City Metros head coach Chad Lynch shouts out instructions to the team during a practice Jan. 4 at the IBP Ice Arena. The Metros face Lincoln in the guarterfinals of the Midwest High School Hockey League postseason tournament Friday in West Des Moines.

has 21 wins.

high schools in Sioux City and The Metros players hail from surrounding cities in Siouxland.

