

# Prep hockey post to Swick

Former Waterloo Black Hawk coach and player, Dave Swick, is the new coach of the Waterloo Public Schools hockey team.

"We are certainly delighted to have him on board and are positive his leadership will really help the program," said Dr. Don Hanson, assistant superintendent in charge of personnel for the Waterloo schools, in announcing the appointment Tuesday.

Swick has been hired as coach and not a teacher in the Waterloo school system. Coaches must be teachers under Iowa High School Athletic Association rules, but high school hockey is a club sport not sanctioned by the association.

Swick played on and was a captain of five straight United States Hockey League championship teams while with the Black Hawks.

He coached the Black Hawks for nearly four full seasons, stepping down last Jan. 20 when his team had an 8-20 record. However, his four-year career record with the Black Hawks was 96-71-4. Waterloo advanced to the USHL playoffs each of the three full seasons he coached the team.

Swick, who has been active in Waterloo junior hockey, had two sons play on the



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Waterloo Public team. Both have graduated.

The Public school squad is composed of players from East, West and Central Highs and their feeder junior highs.

Swick joins a former Black Hawk teammate in the local high school hockey coaching ranks. Duke Dutkowski, a teacher at Columbus, started the Sailor program, which heads into its third season this year.