

Ames finishes 9th in state hockey

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Matt Lippman's goal with just over a minute left in regulation lifted Ames to a 5-4 victory over the Omaha Lancers and a ninth-place finish in the Iowa High School Hockey League Tournament Saturday.

The Little Cyclones, who came in the tournament seeded eighth, trailed 2-1 heading into the final period, but scored four times in the final 15 minutes.

Ames scored back-to-back goals

and opened up a 4-3 lead, only to see that vanish when the Lancers' Scott Ryan slapped in a goal at the 12:48 mark of the third period.

But just 71 seconds later, at the 13:59 mark, Lippman pushed in the winning goal.

Brian Parks had two goals for Ames while Chuck Schweikert, Brian Wierison and Lippman each had one.

Ryan had two goals for the Lancers, who did not win in three tournament games. Will Nash and Jon Driscoll each had a goal while Aaron Linstrom had two assists.

Earlier Saturday, the Little Cyclones dropped an 8-1 decision to St. Joseph, Mo.

After a scoreless first period, the Griffons scored three times in the second period and added five more goals in the third.

Jason Lawson had three goals for St. Joseph while Josh Canterbury had two goals and two assists. Ryan Creal assisted on four goals.

Nate Harder, Brett Gillaspie and Chris Kelly had goals for the Griffons.

Ames' only score came on a goal by Lippman. Parks assisted on the goal.