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C.R. high school hockey team to play on its own

The Iowa High School Hockey League has approved a charter for the Cedar Rapids Mustangs to compete in the league beginning next season. Cedar Rapids has been part of a combined program with Dubuque, which also will have its own team next winter.

"We are thrilled that the IHSHL has officially approved our charter," Mustangs president Steve Goettel said in a press release. "For the last several years, we have made great strides in building a quality high school program for the Cedar Rapids community and for the dedicated players."

This past season, the Mustangs had players from five Metro high schools and

other communities.