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## Biking unit at Sugar Creek

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Connie Islas Morales leads a group of classmates down a slight hill during the bike lessons.

Photo by Scott Girard

Sugar Creek Elementary School students had a first-time unit this year to learn how to ride a bicycle in gym class.

The school received 30 bikes and helmets from the Ironman Foundation through the “Bike for a Kid” program. The school’s technology coordinator, Melissa Ruder, did the Ironman this year and applied to the program.

“My race went way better than I expected and I finished well under my goal time,” Ruder wrote the Press in an email. “The absolute icing on the cake was learning that my proposal to the Ironman Foundation was accepted.”

Badger Ridge Middle School social worker Stacie Wagner also participated in the race this year.

The bikes for Sugar Creek were assembled at Ironman Village by athletes participating in the race, and each included a handwritten note from an athlete, which are now on display at the school.

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