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Bike rodeo, no bull, set for Sunday



A bike rodeo is set for Sunday behind the Greenfield Middle School on Federal Street. The event is open to all Greenfield children and is divided into two sessions according to age.

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GREENFIELD — The Greenfield Public Schools are pushing bicycle safety Sunday, although they promise it will be fun, too.

A bike rodeo, behind the Greenfield Middle School on Federal Street, is intended to encourage bike riding for fun, health and green transportation, and to teach young riders habits to stay safe.

Coordinators from the state Department of Transportation's Safe Routes to School program will set up a course on the blacktop behind the school, explain hand signals and supervise the ensuing riding.

Two sessions

The event rolls in two sessions, 1 to 3 p.m. for kindergarten to fourth-grade students and less experienced riders, and 3 to 5 p.m. for grades 4 to 8 and more experienced riders.

The event is open to all Greenfield children. Organizers ask that riders bring their own bicycle and helmet, although 40 free helmets will be available on a first-come, first-served basis for those without.

Drinking water and refreshments will be provided, courtesy of parents and the People's Pint. The event is sponsored by Greenfield Public Schools and Mass. DOT's Safe Routes to School, with support from the Greenfield Bike Coalition and the Recreation Department.

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