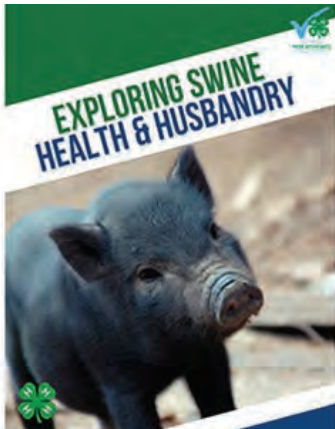


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Grades 5 - 8

This curriculum is designed as a guide for the project facilitator. The activities and background information in this curriculum will help youth develop the requisite knowledge and skills associated with raising and showing swine. Activities are youth centered and include opportunities for the application of knowledge and skills at three different levels of experience: beginner, intermediate, and advanced.

Topics Include:

- *bio-security risk assessment and mitigation strategies.
- *budgeting decisions associated with raising and housing swine.
- *dietary needs of pigs at different life stages.
- *elements of swine conformation.
- *pre-show preparation; showmanship; and judging.
- *strategies for crossbreeding swine.
- *ethical decision making in caring for and showing swine.
- *tip-to-tail health assessments.

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