4-H Pick-a-Pig Project at 2011 Lancaster County Super Fair

Now in its third year, the Lancaster County 4-H Pick-a-Pig Project gives urban youth an opportunity to help raise and show a pig. This year, 19 youth participated and showed a total 22 pigs at the Lancaster County Super Fair.

All 4-H animal exhibitors are expected to cooperate “herdsmanship” duties which include keeping alleys clean and proper manure disposal. Pick-a-Pig youth earned a purple ribbon in herdsmanship.

Pigs are washed at least twice to prepare them to show.

Open to all youth ages 5-18, the 4-H youth development program is part of University of Nebraska-Lincoln Extension.
Before the 4-H Swine Show, exhibitors are busy making final preparations to show their swine.

In the showmanship classes, youth are judged on their ability to handle their swine and knowledge about their animal.

Other classes in the Lancaster County 4-H Swine Show include Breeding Gilt, Market Classes, Carcass Contest, and Pen of Three.