

Grant Walker 4-H Educational Center



As the first Grant parish 4-H member camp, Camp Grant Walker began improving the heads, hearts, hands, and health of children in 1922. Rufus Walker, a Pollock store owner, encouraged area businesses to donate materials for permanent structures, and in 1925, Camp Grant Walker became a permanent camp.

In 1929, as camp activity expanded, Mr. Walker gave Louisiana State University ten acres to be used for the 4-H camp and agricultural meetings. In 1937, LSU purchased an additional 39 acres. The camp continued to grow, and in the 1970's, received funds from the state legislature to upgrade the camp to a first-class 4-H state camp. These funds helped improve current programs, add additional staff, and construct new buildings.

Some seventy years later, at the turn of the 21st century, Camp Grant Walker still experienced growth. After acquiring the Camp Windywood property (formerly the Girl Scout Camp Site), the camp changed its name to Grant Walker 4-H Educational Center. Each year, approximately 12,500 people attend a camp, meeting, or other activity at this site, but primary users are 4th grade through 8th grade students.



Moore Planning Group (MPG) worked with LSU AgCenter to develop a conceptual Master Plan. The plan's goal would combine Camp Grant Walker with Camp Windywood, and then utilize the combined property to its fullest potential. This plan serves both as a tool for future development and as a fundraiser for additional improvements, such as sidewalks, a footpath and bridge connecting the two properties, security fencing, an extended canoeing area, wildlife habitat and observation areas, expanded ropes course, cabin improvements and better drainage.

Other planned features are an equestrian education area, horticultural education area, ATV safety program, a Shoot, Don't Shoot course, and a tent camping area.



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