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## *Use Willowbrook as new college campus*

Your editorial "Willowbrook land study ignores the best options" gives some very interesting thoughts on the state consultant's recommendation for the Staten Island Developmental campus — however it does not go far enough. You also leave out the best possible use.

The College of Staten Island is looking for a place to build a new campus. CSI officials have considered two sites — the Stapleton waterfront and a site along South Beach. Both these sites are not centrally located on the Island — something that is a must for a college.

The SIDC land is centrally located, with easy access. The S112 bus runs right through the campus and there are exits from the Staten Island Expressway within a ¼ mile of the campus' Victory Boulevard entrance. It is also probably feasible to extend the uncompleted Willowbrook Parkway right into the land.

The sites considered by CSI are barren — all new buildings must be built. The SIDC land has many structures that can be renovated for academic use. The parklike atmosphere of the Willowbrook land is "made" for a college. There is also a tremendous amount of land available for parking facilities, and more importantly, future expansion of the college.

this land also deserve more attention, except for one. The idea of putting 1,600 condominiums on this land is absurd. Not only would it destroy the land itself, but the entire surrounding neighborhoods would also suffer. The traffic congestion would be impossible, and property values would most likely fall....

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