

ARCHITECT'S rendering depicts how new construction will blend new classroom facilities with existing structures at new campus for the College of Staten Island.

# College moves up grade at age 10

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**T**HE COLLEGE of Staten Island is celebrating its 10th anniversary as the only public college in New York City's fastest growing borough.

As it embarks on its second decade, the college is looking forward to unifying its operations and programs at a new campus site on the grounds of the old Willowbrook State School, now known as the Staten Island Developmental Center.

Dr. Edward Volpe, president of the College of Staten Island, said, "We are proud of our achievements, but we have no intention of luxuriating in our accomplishments."

"We must build upon the past, continue to evolve as we look forward to the day, and it is finally coming, when our operations shall be united at a single location on the Willowbrook campus."

## Mission to serve

Volpe stated, "It is our intention to explore all possible cooperative relationships with other Island institutions so that our own development evolves naturally from our identity

as a Staten Island institution and from our mission to serve the Island as an educational and research resource."

Volpe added, "One development of major consequence to our future was initiated last year with the exploration of possible areas of cooperation with the Institute for Basic Research, which will adjoin our campus at Willowbrook."

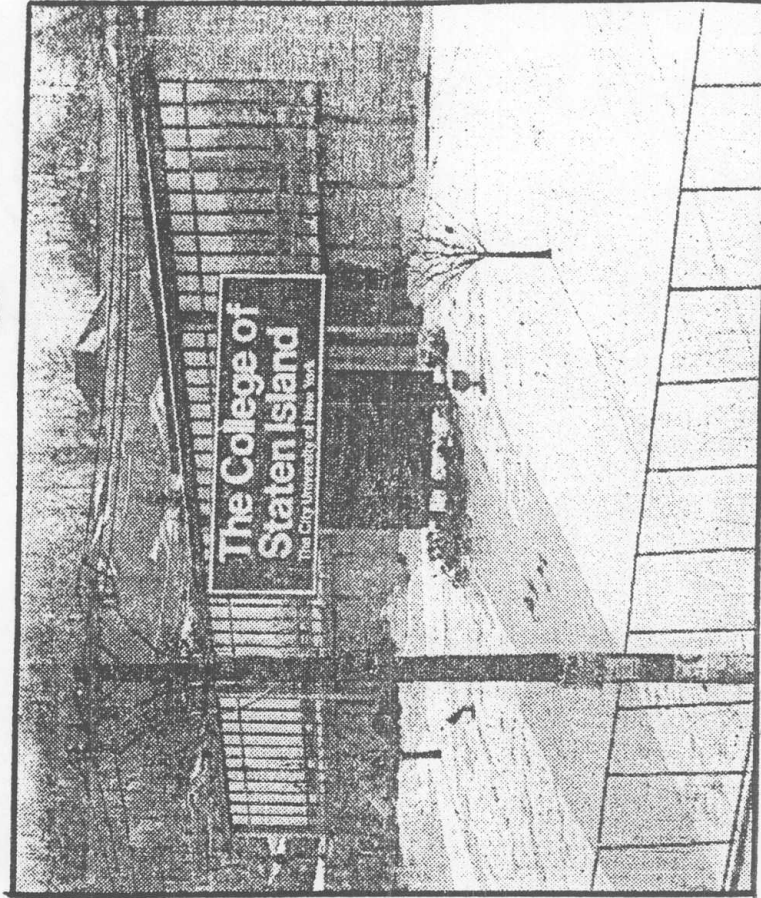
The educator also stated, "The institute is dedicated to research on the disabilities and diseases affecting the human brain."

Calling it "a remarkable institution doing basic and clinical research," Volpe said that joint committees, set up last spring, have developed proposals for doctoral-level programs, one in the field of psychology and the other in neuro science within the discipline of biology.

## Resources utilized

"Such programs will utilize the resources of our university, and the proposals have been submitted to the graduate school," he said.

Volpe also stated that the college has initiated another program at the graduate level involving another



SIGN identifies the College of Staten Island's present campus.

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