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Gov. Terry Branstad encouraged college-minded students to take advantage of online tools offered through non-profit Iowa Student Loan Corporation, <http://www.studentloan.org/>.

The organization offers a financial literacy tool called the Return on College Investment, or ROI for short, to help students pick majors based on job market realities, such and pay and demand in certain fields.

"I believe earning a college degree or obtaining career training is critically important, and while borrowing for college is a good investment, students should not borrow more money than they absolutely need," Branstad said.

The governor was joined by Board Chair Christine Hensley who said the site has been up for several months as part of a "soft launch" and encouraged more people to log on.

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