

## New Jersey S-1221/A-1349

- 1. A school district shall ensure that students in each school educating students in grades 6 through 12, or any combination thereof, have direct access to no-cost menstrual products.
  - a. Any cost incurred by a school district shall be borne by the State.
  - b. Available in at least 50 percent of female and gender-neutral restrooms
- 3. Feminine Menstrual Hygiene products
- a. Qualifications: Funds are available to all public schools serving grades six to twelve
- b. Timeline: 2024 school year

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The legislation also requires the New Jersey Department of Education, in conjunction with the New Jersey Department of Health, to routinely assess whether the provision of these products is "meeting the needs of menstruating students." If deemed necessary, the department can then issue a recommendation regarding the expansion of access to free menstrual products in grades below grade six.

Students should not be hindered in their learning by the lack of access to menstrual hygiene

products. Providing them supports health, reduces discomfort or stigma, and helps create a more inclusive educational environment. This shows a commitment to making sure all students can concentrate on learning without worrying about their basic needs.

https://www.njleg.state.nj.us/bill-search/2022/S1221/bill-text?f=S1500&n=1221 R3