MENSTRUAL HEALTH REPORT CARD

Delaware

Overall Grade	*State Ranking*
B	#13

Period poverty is the inability to afford or access menstrual health products, education, or sanitation facilities. In the U.S., 2 in 5 people have struggled to afford period products.[1] When unaddressed, period poverty can lead to missed school and work, increased risk of infections, and shame or isolation due to social stigma.

This report card details the current state of menstrual health policies in your state.

SUBJECT	GRADE	CURRENT POLICY
Menstrual Product Taxation	**A**	Delaware does not have a state sales tax.
Menstrual Products in Schools	**B**	Delaware requires but does not fund the provision of menstrual products in public and charter schools serving grades 4-12 at no cost to students.[2]
Menstrual Products in Incarceration Facilities	**A**	Delaware state law mandates that the Department of Corrections provides pads and tampons for inmates at no cost.[3]
Menstrual Products in Public Buildings	**F**	Delaware does not have a law requiring public buildings to provide menstrual products.
Good Samaritan Menstrual Product Donation Laws	**F**	Delaware does not have a Good Samaritan Menstrual Product Donation law.

Recommendations

1. Implement a Good Samaritan law to protect menstrual product donations made in good faith from civil & criminal liability.
2. Pass legislation requiring menstrual products in state-owned public buildings.
3. Enact a grant program to fund the provision of menstrual products in low-income schools.

References

1 Alliance for Period Supplies & U by Kotex, 2021
2 Delaware SB205, 2022
3 Delaware SB166, 2018

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