

MENSTRUAL HEALTH REPORT CARD

Florida

Overall Grade

C

State Ranking

#23

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	Florida removed the sales and use tax on menstrual products in 2017. ²
Menstrual Products in Schools	D	Florida neither requires nor funds the provision of menstrual products in schools, though it encourages schools to partner with nonprofits to do so. ³
Menstrual Products in Incarceration Facilities	A	Florida requires the provision of menstrual products in incarceration facilities at no cost to the inmate, and at the quantity that is appropriate to their needs. Materials are accessible via medical facilities and housing areas. ⁴
Menstrual Products in Public Buildings	F	Florida does not have a law requiring public buildings to provide menstrual products.
Good Samaritan Menstrual Product Donation Laws	F	Florida 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. Require public schools to provide menstrual products to students.
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 Florida HB7109, 2017

3 Florida HB389, 2023

4 Florida HB49 and SB332, 2019

