MENSTRUAL HEALTH REPORT CARD

Kentucky

Overall Grade	*State Ranking*
D	#37

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	**F**	Kentucky taxes menstrual products at 6%.
Menstrual Products in Schools	**F**	Kentucky neither requires nor funds the provision of menstrual products in schools.
Menstrual Products in Incarceration Facilities	**A**	Kentucky requires the provision of an adequate number of menstrual products at no cost to inmates in correctional facilities.[2]
Menstrual Products in Public Buildings	**F**	Kentucky does not have a law requiring public buildings to provide menstrual products.
Good Samaritan Menstrual Product Donation Laws	**F**	Kentucky 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. Exempt menstrual products from the state sales tax.
3. Require the provision of menstrual products in schools.

References

1 Alliance for Period Supplies & U by Kotex, 2021
2 KY § 441.055

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