

MENSTRUAL PRODUCTS IN SCHOOLS

Background

The Ministry of Education issued a Ministerial Order amending the *Support Services for Schools Order* to require school districts to provide free menstrual products to students in school washrooms in a manner that protects student privacy. The Ministerial Order requires boards to establish policies and procedures related to the provision of free menstrual products to students.

Procedures

1. The Board will ensure that products are made available to students of all gender identities or expressions in a manner that protects student privacy.
 - 1.1 Menstrual products will be provided in elementary and secondary school washrooms:
 - 1.1.1 all universal washrooms;
 - 1.1.2 all accessible washrooms;
 - 1.1.3 at least one girls' washroom per floor of every school.
 - 1.2 Operations staff at each elementary and secondary school will maintain and monitor stock and replenish as needed.
2. The Board will provide menstrual products at no cost to students:
 - 2.1 Product will be available in containers or coin-free dispensers.
3. The Board will consider student feedback with respect to provision of menstrual products.

Reference: [Support Services for Schools Order M149-89](#)

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