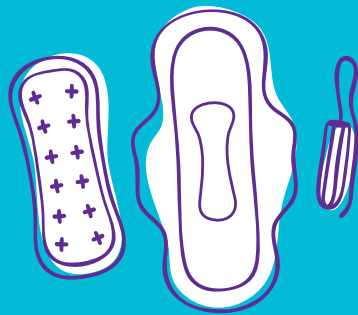


California Schools are Required to Provide Free Pads and Tampons in Bathrooms



As a basic necessity for menstruating students and grown-ups, pads and tampons are free; please take what you need.

Schools serving students in grades 6 to 12 must provide free and accessible pads and tampons in all women's restrooms and all-gender restrooms, and at least one men's restroom on campus.

The products are available to anyone who menstruates.

If this restroom needs more pads or tampons, or if you have any questions, please contact:

Name:

Phone:

Email:

This notice is posted pursuant to Education Code 35292.6 and must be posted where everyone can see it and in every restroom where free menstrual products are required.

SEC. 3. Section 35292.6 is added to the Education Code, to read: 35292.6. (a) On or before the start of the 2022–23 school year, a public school, including a school operated by a school district, county office of education, or charter school, maintaining any combination of classes from grades 6 to 12, inclusive, shall stock the school's restrooms at all times with an adequate supply of menstrual products, available and accessible, free of cost, in all women's restrooms and all-gender restrooms, and in at least one men's restroom. (b) A public school described in subdivision (a) shall not charge for any menstrual products provided to pupils. (c) A public school described in subdivision (a) shall post a notice regarding the requirements of this section in a prominent and conspicuous location in every restroom required to stock menstrual products, available and accessible, free of cost, pursuant to this section. This notice shall include the text of this section and contact information, including an email address and telephone number, for a designated individual responsible for maintaining the requisite supply of menstrual products. (d) For purposes of this section, "menstrual products" means menstrual pads and tampons for use in connection with the menstrual cycle. (e) This section shall become operative on July 1, 2022.