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Shapiro Administration Invests \$3 Million to Continue Providing Young Women with Free Period Products in PA Schools, More Than 650,000 Helped So Far

The Shapiro Administration announced that Pennsylvania has invested \$6 million over the past two years to expand access to free period products in schools statewide, with an additional \$3 million proposed in the 2026-27 budget.

Funding has been distributed to more than 750 school districts* across Pennsylvania to help address period poverty and support student health, dignity, and educational success. National studies show that 1 in 4 students struggle to afford period products, and 23% have missed class because they lacked access to them.

The initiative is part of the Administration's broader effort to improve health equity and ensure students can remain focused on learning.

Learn More:

* Free period product funding is being [distributed to more than 750 Pennsylvania school districts](#), intermediate units, career and technical centers, and brick-and-mortar charter schools throughout the Commonwealth.

