




Dear lawmaker,

As a person of faith, I'm writing to express my strong support for Governor Shapiro's budget proposal of \$3 million for period products in public schools. Period poverty is a real issue affecting 1 in 5 teens in the U.S., and ensuring access to essential menstrual products in schools is a crucial first step towards equity and dignity for all students.

By investing in period products, we can help students focus on their education without the added stress and embarrassment of not having access to necessary supplies. It's time to prioritize the well-being and basic needs of our youth.

I urge you to include the Governor's proposed \$3 million (or more) in your budget negotiations to address period poverty in Pennsylvania. Let's ensure that every student has the resources they need to succeed.

Sincerely,



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Dear lawmaker,

No one should have to miss school because they can't afford menstrual hygiene products or because of period stigma. Currently 1 in 5 teens in the US does just that. This is not a new phenomenon, generations of women and menstruators have experienced stigma and lack of resources, hindering their educational opportunities. But now is the time to end period poverty in PA.

I urge you to support Governor Shapiro's proposal for \$3 million to provide menstrual products in PA public schools. Such investment in our young people and their education will send a message that PA cares about gender equity, education, and creating safe spaces for all.

PA was one of the first states to eliminate the pink tax on menstrual products - let's continue to lead the way on ending period poverty across the Commonwealth.

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