



# Alta Loma School District

## AB 367 FAQs

- **What is AB 367?**

- Menstrual Equity for All Act of 2021, which requires all public school, as provided, maintaining any combination of classes from grades 6 to 12, inclusive, to stock the school's restrooms with an adequate supply of free menstrual products, as defined, available and accessible, free of cost, in all women's restrooms and all gender neutral restrooms, and in at least one men's restroom, at all times, and to post a designated notice, for the 2022–23 school year, as prescribed. [Click here for full text AB 367.](#)

- **Can you clarify the intent of AB 367?**

- The Bill states, "it is the intent of the Legislature that this act provide for the health, dignity, and safety of *menstruating students* at every socioeconomic level..."
- The Bill outlines the clear purpose to expand student access in an effort to accomplish the following:
  - Create safe, welcoming, and inclusive schools for all students and to provide students equal access to education
  - Reduce student absences related to menstruation/increase attendance
  - Increase engagement of menstruating students in the classroom
  - Create a cost savings to school district due to increased funding related to increased student attendance and reduced administrative costs and expenses from charging for menstrual products

- **Why does the language of the law say "men and women" instead of "boy and girl"?**

- It is unclear as to why the Legislature chose to use this terminology. The legal opinion is that it has to do with the fact AB 367 first originated for the purpose of providing support for college students.
- Governor Newsom modified the original bill in October, 2021 to also include grades 6-12.
- The bill was further updated and became operative on July 1, 2022 for the 22-23 school year to be inclusive of all public schools.
- There is another version of this law that is currently being presented through the legislative process and will most likely become finalized in the near future. It is the hope of educational institutions that the language will be clarified at that time.

- **Why do we have menstrual products in the girls' and boys' restrooms?**

- The Bill specifically refers to *menstruating students* in California schools. Further clarity is provided when the Bill outlines access to *menstrual products in grades 6-12*. This portion provides clarity to the age of students using the restrooms making the label "men and women" unambiguous and keeping student access at the forefront.

- **Where will menstrual products be available?**
  - All upper grade female student restrooms
  - All gender neutral restrooms (health office)
  - One male student restroom at each school site
  - Not in TK or Kindergarten (inside classroom bathrooms)
  
- **What do the dispensers look like?**



- **Will there be any notice posted in the restroom?**
  - A notice of AB 367 must be posted in all restrooms that are stocked with menstrual products. The required notice must include:
    - Text from AB 367 Sec. 3
    - Name, email address and telephone number of person responsible for maintaining the adequate supply of menstrual products
  
- **What should a student do if the dispenser is out of products?**
  - Menstrual products are also available in the health office at all school sites.
  
- **Will the school sites be educating students regarding the placement of supplies and their purpose?**
  - *Schools will not be providing any training regarding the purpose or use of supplies. These are conversations that ALSD believes should be between our students and their families.*

- **What should families share with their students?**
  - This is a parent/guardian and family decision.
  
- **What will happen if students inquire about the new machines in the restroom or the nature of the contents?**
  - If there is an inquiry, students will be encouraged to ask their parents or guardians.
  - Teachers and staff will be encouraged to contact parents if possible the same day to inform them of their child's inquiry.
  - The teacher will inform the parents or guardian that the student asked about the new machines and their content. The student was told to talk with their family.
  - Parents and guardians are encouraged to inform children who have a need for the supplies, that they are now available to them in the restrooms.
  
- **How can I express my disagreement with Assembly Bill 367?**
  - If you would like to contact your local legislative representative to share your disagreement with AB 367 with those who set policy, you can find their contact information here:  
<https://findyourrep.legislature.ca.gov/>