

Georgia Feminine Hygiene Grant



Period product dispenser guidelines and options

Period product dispensers are **allowed** to be purchased with funds from the Georgia Feminine Hygiene Grant. Before purchasing and installing any dispensers, **please review all of the information** in this document – including dispenser guidelines, options, and important considerations.

1 **Guidelines**

Dispensers include any container or machine that makes period supplies readily available to students (e.g., wall-mounted machines, rolling carts).

To be eligible for purchase with the Feminine Hygiene Grant funds, dispensers must:

- Provide products **free of charge** to students
- Be installed or placed **in student bathrooms or common spaces**

3 **Important considerations**

Prior to purchasing any dispensers, contact maintenance and operations staff to foster partnership and establish buy-in. Collaboratively determine which dispenser(s) would be appropriate, where to install them, and what will be needed to make them effective and sustainable (e.g., who will restock products).

Disposal needs and **signage or education** to accompany dispenser use and proper disposal of products will also be critical to consider. Trash receptacles or disposal bags should be located in a private, easily accessible location to allow students to dispose of products discretely. [See options here.](#)

2 **Dispenser options**

	Price per unit range
Mechanical wall units	\$295-500
Products on a roll (like toilet paper)	Contact distributor
Countertop baskets	\$2-25
Hanging baskets	\$25-50
Freestanding storage drawers	\$45-300
Envelope or file affixed to the wall	\$15-50

*Examples of each type of dispenser, as well as their pros and cons are [available here.](#)

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