On The Alert!

Date:	**February 2, 2018**
Attention:	**ASCIP Members**
Affected Department(s):	**Risk Management, Admin, Teachers, & Staff**
Applicability:	**K-12 Districts and Charter Schools**

AB 10 IMPLICATIONS FOR TITLE I ELIGIBLE SCHOOLS: FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS; PUBLIC SCHOOL RESTROOMS

Commencing October 12, 2017, Assembly Bill 10 requires schools that serve an eligible school attendance area in which not less than 40 percent of the children are from low-income families, or not less than 40 percent of the children enrolled in the schools are from such families, shall:

1. stock at least 50 percent of restrooms with feminine hygiene products at all times;
2. provide menstrual products to pupils at no cost, including, but not limited to, feminine hygiene products; and
3. define "feminine hygiene products" as tampons and sanitary napkins for use in connection with the menstrual cycle.
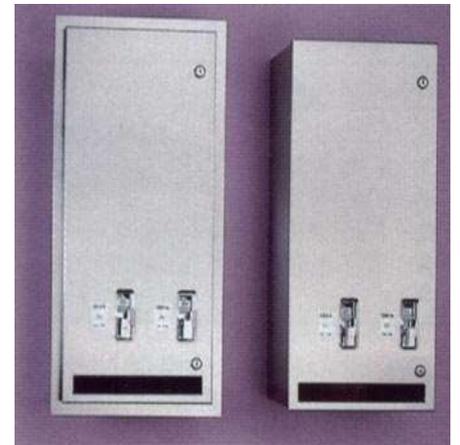
RECOMMENDED IMPLEMENTATION

ASCIP recommends that Districts establish a plan to achieve the following:

1. Determine the Title I eligible schools covered by this mandate
2. Make available feminine hygiene products at no cost to students in at least half of the female and transgender restrooms/locker rooms at each eligible school
3. Purchase the necessary initial supply of feminine hygiene products
4. Establish procedures to restock these supplies on a regular or "as needed" basis

An option is to use ADA-compliant token-operated dispensers and to allot tokens to students on an "as-needed" basis. If this option is implemented, then Districts will need to establish additional procedures to remove and reuse tokens with the procedures noted above on restocking supplies.

Once this plan is approved by the district's governing board, implement it immediately, and track the Commission on State Mandates' determinations with respect to state eligibility for AB 10 reimbursement.

Click here to be linked to **Education Code Section 35292.6.**

Please contact your ASCIP risk services consultant at (562) 404-8029 to discuss further.