



Period Dignity Statement

Statement on Arrangements for the Provision of Free Period Products:

The college has a legal duty under The Period Products (Free Provision) Act (Northern Ireland) 2022 and published Guidance to Specified Public Service Bodies.

Name of Specified Public Service Body

Hazelwood Integrated College

Main Address of Specified Public Service Body

70 Whitewell Road, Newtownabbey, Co. Antrim, BT36 7ES

Location of where free period products are available:

General Office

Medical Room

Head of Year

Library

- Post 16 Study Areas
- AEN Room, CL2
- Social Worker Office
- School Office

- Medical Room [Graymount House]
- Youth Worker Office
- Staff Toilets

Details of Consultation Carried Out:

WHEN was the consultation carried out?

The consultation process ran from September 2024 – December 2024

WHO was consulted?

- Staff and Students Online Questionnaire
- Student Focus Groups

HOW did the consultation process establish:

- 1) the ways in which product users ought to be able to obtain free period products?
 - The school has provided free period products since 2019. All participants were asked in a questionnaire and student focus groups if the current method of obtaining products was adequate. Participants were provided the opportunity to suggest changes to the current arrangements.
- 2) the locations in the school premises in which period products ought to be obtainable free of charge? All participants were asked in an online questionnaire and student focus groups, if the current locations for obtaining products was adequate. Participants were also provided the opportunity to suggest changes to the current arrangements.
- 3) the types of period products which ought to be available?
 - Participants were asked to select which products they thought should be available from a range of options with the school's DE Period Dignity allocated budget allowance.

HOW did the consultation have regard for:

1) the dignity, privacy and confidentiality of product users; and

The online responses ensured confidentiality.

The student focus groups were optional.

2) articles which are reusable.

Participants were asked to select which products they thought should be available from a range of options.

Participants were also provided with the opportunity to suggest other products that were not on the list provided.

Policy

The policy for Period Dignity and Menstrual Wellbeing is available upon request.