At least **eight states** have statute requiring cursive be taught in schools.

1. **Arkansas** – cursive required – 2015 - [§ 6-16-146. Cursive writing](https://codes.findlaw.com/ar/title-6-education/ar-code-sect-6-16-146.html)
2. **California** – cursive encouraged – 2003: [§ 33042. Compliance with State Board of Education's English Language and Arts Writing Arts Strategies; cursive handwriting standards](https://leginfo.legislature.ca.gov/faces/codes_displaySection.xhtml?lawCode=EDC&sectionNum=33042)
3. **New Hampshire** – cursive encouraged – 2015: [189:11-c Cursive Handwriting and Memorization of Multiplication Tables.](https://law.justia.com/codes/new-hampshire/2016/title-xv/chapter-189/section-189-11-c)
4. **North Carolina** – cursive required – 2013: [§ 115C-81. Basic Education Program](https://law.justia.com/codes/north-carolina/2015/chapter-115c/article-8/section-115c-81)
5. **South Carolina** – cursive required – 2014: [§ 59-29-15. Teaching cursive writing and multiplication tables required.](https://law.justia.com/codes/south-carolina/2016/title-59/chapter-29/section-59-29-15)
6. **Tennessee** – cursive required – 2014: [§ 49-6-1034. Cursive writing; instruction](https://codes.findlaw.com/tn/title-49-education/tn-code-sect-49-6-1034.html)
7. **Mississippi**– cursive required – 2017: [§ 37-13-10. § 37-13-10. Elementary education curriculum standards for cursive reading and writing; exceptions](https://codes.findlaw.com/ms/title-37-education/ms-code-sect-37-13-10.html)
8. **Louisiana**– cursive required – 2017: [§ 266. Cursive writing; required instruction](https://law.justia.com/codes/louisiana/2017/code-revisedstatutes/title-17/rs-17-266/)

Five states proposed cursive legislation this session:

1. **Indiana** – [Senate Bill 8](http://iga.in.gov/legislative/2018/bills/senate/8) – Failed – Would require cursive curriculum.
2. **New Jersey** – [Assembly Bill 2680](https://legiscan.com/NJ/bill/A2680/2018) – Pending - Would require cursive curriculum.
3. **Ohio** – [House Bill 58](https://www.legislature.ohio.gov/legislation/legislation-summary?id=GA132-HB-58) – Enacted – Would require State Board of Education to adopt model cursive curriculum to be made available to school districts.
4. **Pennsylvania**– [House Bill 1083](https://www.legis.state.pa.us/cfdocs/billInfo/billInfo.cfm?sYear=2017&sInd=0&body=H&type=B&bn=1083) – Pending - Would require cursive curriculum.
5. **Washington**–[Senate Bill 5238](https://app.leg.wa.gov/billsummary?BillNumber=5238&Year=2017) – Failed - Would require cursive curriculum