

ILTexas is a school of choice. Parents choose to send their children to the school and have other options for public school. They sign and agree to the dress code and grooming standards as part of this choice. So the parents, in so choosing to enroll at ILTexas, have waived any claims that they don't want to then follow the school's standards.

ILTexas education program has a strong emphasis on international relations and preparing students for work in the international community. The dress code and grooming standards for males and females are tailored to prepare students for this work, and to act as ambassadors of ILTexas in the international community.

ILTexas education program is also built on the traditions of the United States Marine Corps leadership standards, and one goal is to prepare students for potential military service, but also to train students on the disciplines and standards used in the United States Military, particularly dress and grooming standards.

The policy creates uniformity across the ILTexas school system which consists of 23 campuses in multiple regions of Texas.

For the foregoing reasons, the appeal/request to change the dress code to allow male hair to be worn below the collar is denied.