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The IES Fuentesnuevas is an educational center which is located in the city of Ponferrada, the capital of the region of The Bierzo, in the province of León (Spain).

The Bierzo is one of the most beautiful and evocative regions of the European Union, placed in the way of a great circle of mountains that are used as border with Galicia and Asturias and one of the most important enclaves inside the Way of Santiago. In its enclave, places and spaces are hidden to admire, to feel and to enjoy.

Its past, loaded with history, gathers facts and events of great importance, some of whose remains are considered to be, nowadays, A Heritage of the Humanity (Las Médulas).

Its present, is represented by a great diversity of industries, among which we can stand out:

- **Energetics**: Hydroelectric, Thermoelectric and Wind, with some of the most important companies of the sector, as for example ENDESA, LM GLASSFIBER...
- **Metallurgical**: STEELS ROLDÁN
- **Technical Engineering**: EPTISA
- **Sector of the glass**: VITRO CRISTALGLASS
- **Sector of the extraction of Slate**: CUPA GROUP
- **Sector of medicinal plants**: BIO3
- **Agriculturalist**: emphasizing principally the dedicated one to the wine, the pepper, the apple and the chestnut.

The cultural activity comes marked by different annual celebrations (Holiday of the Encina, Holiday of the Vintage, Gastronomic days, The Night Templaria…) to enjoy with and an interesting offer of museums to visit, standing out:

Museum of the Railroad

Museum of the Radio

Museum of the Bierzo

Its immediate future will take form with the putting in functioning of the City of the Energy, project financed by the Government of Spain that will include the National Museum of the Energy in Ponferrada, the capital of the region.
The city of Ponferrada is the capital of the Bierzo, which holds the Administrative Center of the region, besides a University Campus depending on León’s University. The regional Hospital of the Bierzo and diverse centers of education and of Formative Cycles of Average and Top degree, among which one remarks the IES Fuentesnuevas.

Our center, which has expired more than 30 years forming to the regional and provincial youth, offers the following studies:

- **Secondary Obligatory Education** (ESO), in its first and second cycle, besides the Diversification.
- **Bachillerato**, of Science and Technology and of Humanities and Social Sciences (1º and 2º Courses)
- **Programs of Professional Initial Qualification** (PCPI):
  - Auxiliary of hairdresser’s shop
  - Auxiliary of Food processing industries

And also we can add the following studies:

- **Formative cycles of Vocational training of Average and Top Degree** of the following families:
  - **Personal Image**: Hairdresser’s shop (Average Degree) and Aesthetics (Top Degree)
  - **Food processing industries**: vegetable meat and fish Cannery (Average Degree) and Food processing industry (Top Degree)
  - **Chemistry**: Laboratory (Average Degree) and Laboratory of Analysis and Quality control (Top Degree)
  - **Health**: Care of Auxiliary Nursery (Average Degree), Pharmacy and Parapharmacy (Average Degree), Dietetics (Top Degree), Sanitary Documentation (Top Degree)

At present the center occupies a surface of 14,000 m², with a principal building and several adjacent workshops (workshop of hairdresser’s shop and workshop of Food processing industries), besides the polysport, of recent construction. It counts also, with an exterior court with green spaces and sports fields, an interior garden, a greenhouse and a wide parking.

The building is equipped with points of access to Internet from all its dependences, including the specific classrooms (Technology, Drawing, Music), as well as with two classrooms of computer science and a Library (included inside the network of school libraries of Castile and León)

With more than 850 pupils and approximately 78 teachers, it is one of the educational centers of reference of the region of the Bierzo, being the only one of the environment that holds the Erasmus charter extended, by means of which, our pupils of Formative Cycles of Top Degree, have access to Scholarships Erasmus, to realize the practices in companies of the European Community. Of equal form, the teachers have the option of being formed in centers of the EU, across the same project.
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