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IPN Welcomes 52,000 New Students for the 2024-2025 Academic Year

- **General Secretary of the Politécnico, Mauricio Jasso Zaranda, leads the opening ceremony**
- **Emphasizes that education is an invaluable gift; encourages students at both intermediate and higher levels to strive for their best performance**
- **Currently, the IPN registers a total student enrollment of 210,000**

The Instituto Politécnico Nacional (IPN) has kicked off the 2024-2025 academic year by welcoming 52,995 new students to its intermediate and higher education programs.

Of this total, 29,595 students are at the intermediate level, while 21,302 are at the higher level. In the non-school-based modality at both levels, 1,971 spots have been allocated, including 127 international students.

In the presence of the school community, IPN General Secretary Mauricio Jasso Zaranda welcomed the students, noting their commitment to themselves, their families, society, and the IPN itself.

Speaking at the Plaza "Lázaro Cárdenas," also known as Plaza Roja, Jasso Zaranda mentioned that IPN currently has a student body of 210,000. Including support and educational assistance staff (PAAE), faculty, and honorary personnel, the Polytechnic community totals 250,000 people.

After reminding the students that education is a priceless gift, he urged them to put forth their best efforts to achieve outstanding performance, which will be reflected in their future professional and personal success.

"You are joining the best technological institution in Mexico, the home of science and technology. As our General Director says, you are now part of Mexico's technological arm, where teaching, scientific and technological research, culture, and sports are cultivated."

At the end of the ceremony, new students visited various Polytechnic booths, including the Library and Publications Directorate, the Foreign Languages Center, and the Directorate of Science and Technology Dissemination, among others.





Activities with the student community included a language lottery, mural drawings promoting the environment with Politec paint, and performances featuring Aztec dance, kendo (a martial art using bamboo swords), archery, taekwondo, boxing, and a play titled *Un extraño más*.

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