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an educational and institutional setting that is much stronger than it was before.

Regarding primary education in particular, the experience has been most significant since it has combined the two primary sectors to achieve a much more complete result. As the principal, Amalia Martínez, and vice principal, Patricia Manso put it: "Coming together was much easier than we had imagined it would be. Working together this way was and still is a unique experience, since it was the first time this had been achieved, but more importantly because of the way it strengthened our sense of community and taught us how we must help each other increasingly each day".

For her part, Silvia Torres, staff representative and member of the secondary pastoral team comments that "many

here are lower middle class or poor, so fees are accessible for them – no more than 40 pesos. We keep them low so that school fees are no barrier to anyone wanting to come to the school". But in all this however "in the idea that we put to students and their families", the missionary nature of the school holds particular relevance: "in mission territory, formal education cannot avoid this side of things".

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has a special character because the Salesians and Sisters are working side by side with youngsters and adults, helping to build a more just and inclusive society. "The dream is that, as a community made of of Salesians, Sisters and lay people we can continue to work together in ministry. We provide communion and involvement so that we are all building Church together, and we grow together", says Sister Susana Sotelo, Superior of the FMA community.

