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Pine Grove Public School hosts Citizenship Court Ceremony for new Canadians

Thirty new Canadians from across Southern Ontario will be sworn as citizens at a special Citizenship Court Ceremony on Wednesday, October 18, 2006 at Pine Grove Public School.

"It is a privilege to be hosting this event," says Shonda Smith, Principal. "We will be welcoming about thirty new Canadians from across Niagara including our own student, Jared Jackson." As part of the ceremony, the Grade 3 class from Pine Grove will be singing a few selections.

Students from Grades 4, 5, and 6 as well as guests from the community will attend the event, presided by the Honourable Judge Bob Morrow of Hamilton.

Members of the public, who are Canadian citizens are also invited to reaffirm their commitment to Canada by repeating the oath along with the new citizens. The citizenship ceremony is the final step in the process of becoming a Canadian citizen. For many, this ceremony is the realization of a dream, perhaps even marking the beginning of a new life.

This event takes place in the gymnasium at Pine Grove Public School, 690 Lake Street, St. Catharines on Wednesday, October 18, 2006 at 10:00 a.m.

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