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## Kate S. Durdan Public School hosts Citizenship Court Ceremony for 32 new Canadians

Thirty-two new Canadians from across Southern Ontario will be sworn in as citizens at a special 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Citizenship Court Ceremony on Thursday October 18, 2007 at Kate S. Durdan Public School in Niagara Falls.

"It is a privilege to be hosting this event," says Genny Weerdenburg, Principal. "Kate S. Durdan has many multicultural students who have experienced this process; this ceremony gives them an opportunity to share the occasion with their peers." As part of the opening events, students will sing songs originating from countries around the world in celebration of Canada's rich diversity of culture and ethnicity.

Kate S. Durdan students, Director of Education Warren Hoshizaki, Chair of the District School Board of Niagara Kevin Maves and community members will attend this event, presided by the Honourable Robert 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. This ceremony is the final step in the process of becoming a Canadian citizen.

This event takes place at Kate S. Durdan Public School, 6855 Kalar Road, Niagara Falls on Thursday October 18, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.

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