



*Welcome to the "Castle," home of the proud Black Knights!*

## **A Message from Principal Jason Helbling**

Dear Azalea Middle School Families and Community Partners,

It's an exciting time here at The Castle, home of the Black Knights! We are thrilled to share some of the amazing things happening this week as we continue to focus on student success and community engagement.

### **Soccer Tryouts Are Underway!**

Our student-athletes have hit the field this week for soccer tryouts, and we couldn't be more proud of their energy and teamwork. Best of luck to all who are working hard to represent the Black Knights!

### **Positive Behavior Dress Down Day – November 21**

Our Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS) Team is hosting a special Dress Down Day on Friday, November 21 for students who earn positive behavior points and remain IC and referral-free between November 10–21. Students participating must still follow the district dress code guidelines. Thank you for encouraging your child to make positive choices every day!

### **School-Based Leadership Team Launch**

We are excited to announce that our School-Based Leadership Team held its first meeting of the year! This dedicated group is collaborating on strategies to enhance learning and improve student behavior across campus. Their commitment to continuous improvement ensures that Azalea Middle remains a place where every student can thrive.

### **Thanksgiving Break Reminder**

School will be closed for Thanksgiving Break beginning at the end of the school day on Friday, November 21, and will resume on Monday, December 1. We hope you enjoy this time with family and friends.

As always, we extend our heartfelt thanks to our parents, guardians, and community stakeholders for partnering with us to support the success of every student in our care. Together, we make The Castle a place where learning, leadership, and respect shine bright.

With gratitude,

Jason Helbling  
Principal, Azalea Middle School  
Home of the Black Knights





## NOVEMBER EVENTS

11/17 - Girls Basketball (Away) AMS vs Mangrove Bay Middle 4:45 - 5:45

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11/19 - Girls Basketball (Home) AMS vs Thurgood Marshall Middle 4:45 - 5:45

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11/19 - Civil Air Patrol and Engineering Discovery Night 5:30pm - 7:00pm

11/22 - 11/30 - Thanksgiving Break - Entire Campus is Closed

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

Vendors, Flight Exhibitions, Competitions, Drone Education, Food Trucks, and so much more !!!  
**FUN FOR ALL AGES**

**FREE**

**THE 5TH ANNUAL**  
**Sunshine State Drone Expo**

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

**DECEMBER 6TH 2025**

Hosted By: The Azalea Middle School  
Civil Air Patrol Cadet Squadron, SER-FL-829

