

# TE ARATIATIA MARAE CHARTER AND HIREAGE FORM

**“Ko Aratiatia te marae”**

**Ko Te Ihorangi te whare”**

**Ko Ngaati Wairere te mana whenua”**

**Ko te kura tuarua o Marawaatea e tau nei”**

**( Aratiatia is the marae,**

**Te Ihorangi is the Wharenuui,**

**Ngaati Wairere are the mana whenua,**

**Fairfield College is the place)**

## **MEANING**

The name of the Fairfield College Community Marae is Aratiatia translated into ‘the ascending pathway of life’.

The meeting house Te Ihorangi translated into ‘the linkage with truth’.

Fairfield College envisions the combining of Aratiatia and Te Ihorangi as an image of a school and community pathway that leads us unified to the place where we can connect with the truth, therefore it is a marae that must be treated with respect and a place where we are able to share, learn, thrive and enjoy – most of all it is for everyone.

## **SHORT HISTORY**

Aratiatia Marae was officially opened in December 1995, culminating in many years of Government, and community support from its inception by Whaea Erana Coulter (Ngaati Porou) and local community members in 1981.

The tohunga whakairo is Kereti Rautangata of Tainui descent. The protocols/kawa of Aratiatia Marae are in accordance with Tainui waka tikanga and the marae comes under the mantle of the Kiingitanga, our Maaori King Tuuheitia Pootatau te Wherowhero Te Tuawhitu and the sacred house of Pootatau Te Wherowhero.

The marae is currently under the stewardship of the Aratiatia Marae Committee which consists of Fairfield College school management, Board of Trustees membership, school community members, former staff and students, and local hapuu (Ngaati Wairere) delegates.

Situated as it is on the grounds of Fairfield College, Aratiatia Marae provides a place for students and staff of the school to uphold and maintain the use of Te Reo Maaori and Tikanga Maaori. It is an integral part of the school but is also a beacon of opportunity for the community where waananga, hui, concerts, events, sleepovers, learning and classes are able to happen.

## VALUES

Aratiatia Marae celebrate the following values, all those who utilize our community marae must share these values also

- **Ukaipotanga** – all peoples origins and absolute cultural acceptance
- **Kotahitanga** – Unity and togetherness
- **Whakawhanaungatanga** – relating well with others
- **Rangatiratanga** – Self-management and determination
- **Manaakitanga** – kindness and hospitality
- **Wairuatanga** – Spirituality and tolerance of beliefs
- **Kaitiakitanga** – Guardianship and stewardship
- **Pukengatanga** – Skills and expertise
- **Whenuatanga** – Respect for the environment

Fairfield Colleges' core belief is that every individual can be empowered to learn and to achieve personal success, both now and in the future.

The school promotes the following central values – **“Be respectful, be responsible, be the best you can be”**

## RULES

The following are basic rules developed by the trust for users of Aratiatia Marae which reflect both tikanga and the values we look to celebrate as a school and community.

- No street shoes of any kind are to be worn within the Wharenuui – Te Ihurangi
- User/Hirer must clean the marae and remove all litter after usage, if the marae is left in an unclean state then a charge of \$200 will occur (basic cleaning equipment is provided - a simple statement is to leave our Marae as you found it)
- Sub-letting is not permitted
- The hirer/user is responsible for any damage and will be charged accordingly
- The hirer/user takes all responsibility for their health and safety as well as the health and safety of their manuhiri. The hirer/user also takes responsibility for any property damage or loss occurred during their usage/hireage
- No alcohol consumption, and no smoking at all times, either at the marae or on any part of the school grounds
- The consumption of food or drink is not permitted in the wharenuui – Te Ihurangi
- Petrol, explosives or fireworks are not permitted at any time
- Please be respectful and mindful of our neighbours and other whanau within the school grounds

Also – (general rules in terms of the school grounds)

- Vehicles must be parked on hard seal parking areas and may not be driven on grass areas
- The hirer is responsible for ensuring all doors and windows are securely locked when vacating the premises.

For any further information or assistance, please contact the ARATIATIA MARAE KAITIAKI – Eddie Neha 021 232 4770 or 07 8547654.

