

# Potential Boundary Changes to Balance Enrollment – Northwest Grand Junction Appleton / Pomona / Tope Virtual Parent Meeting



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# Process

- The Board of Education has requested that stakeholders consider relatively small, phased school boundary changes in a few areas
- Elementary Principals and faculty have been involved in feasibility and data awareness
- Virtual parent meetings and a **survey** will help guide Board decision
- School Board will consider stakeholder input and make a decision in January
- No decisions have been made
- Pandemic is impacting enrollment
  - ( Down 3% State-wide )



# Potential Elementary Changes

- Appleton ES is growing rapidly and will exceed its capacity over the next six years
- A new school will eventually be constructed north of I-70 to address new housing growth
- The Appleton attendance area includes areas south of I-70 that will eventually be exclusively assigned to Pomona
- Space exists in the three area schools to accommodate growth over the next 6 years if minor boundary changes are made

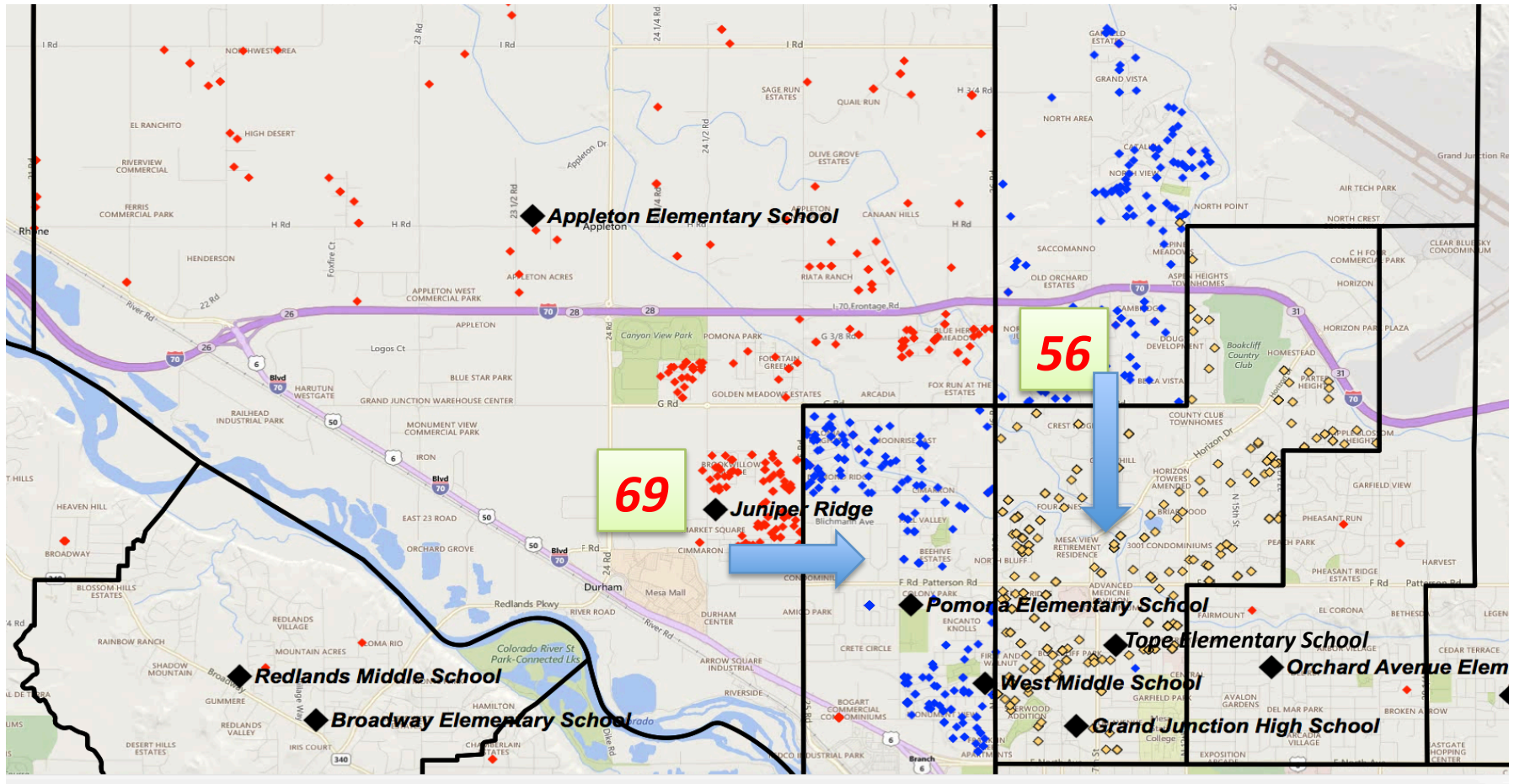


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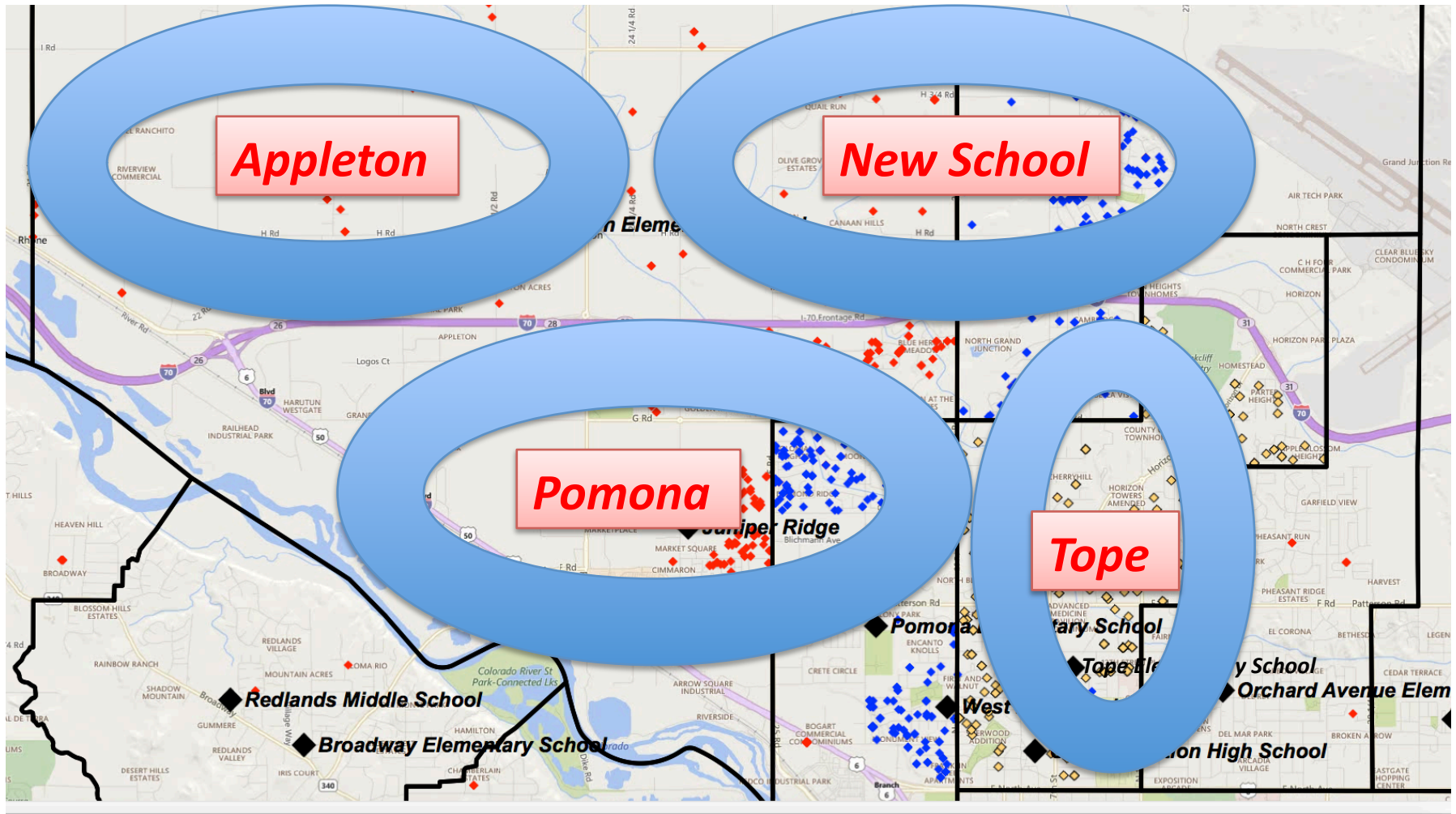
*Move 69 Students From Appleton to Pomona ES*

*Move 56 Students From Pomona to Tope ES*

*Current Appleton Students in Red, Pomona = Blue, Tope = Tan*



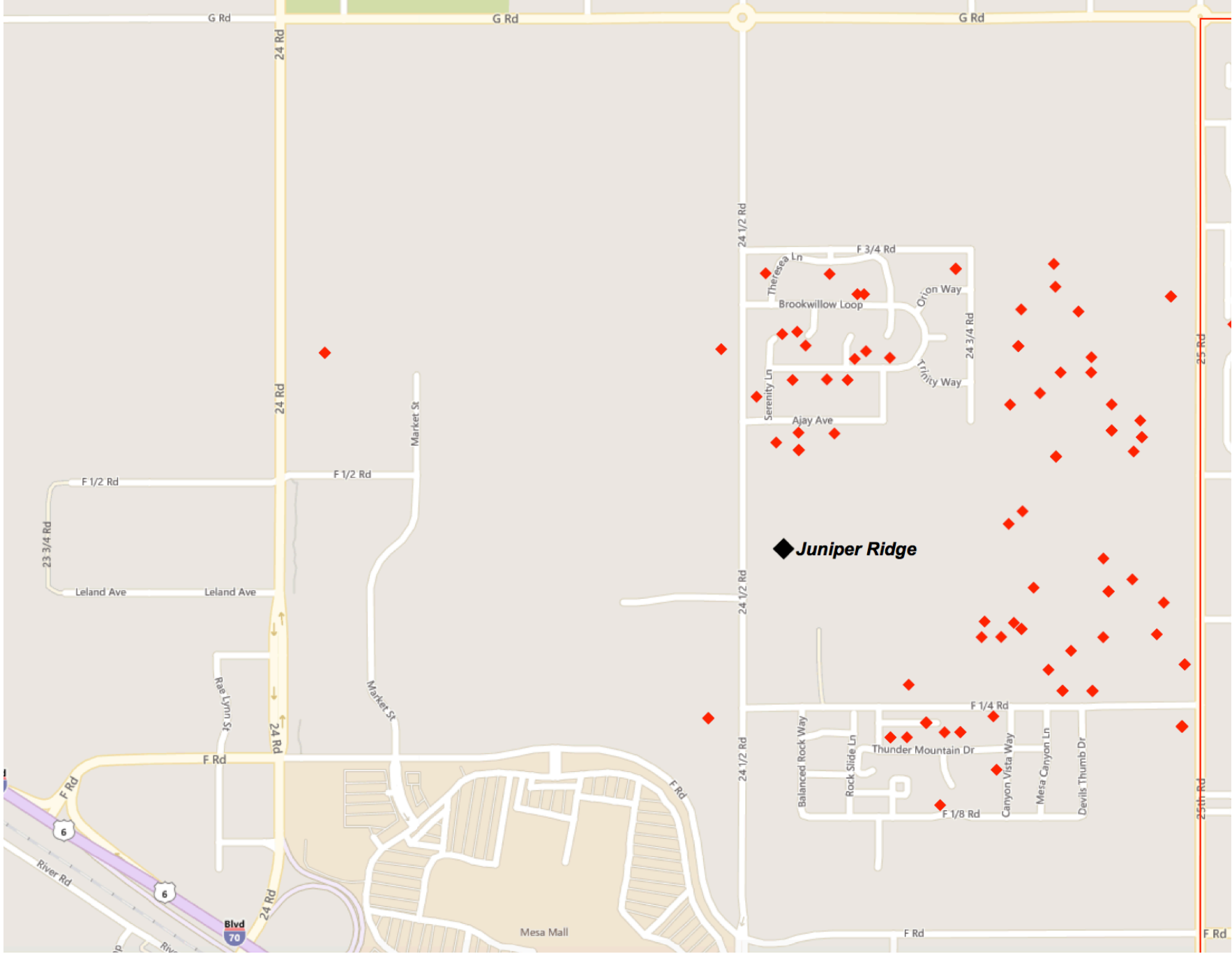
# Future Northwest Grand Junction Elementary Boundaries



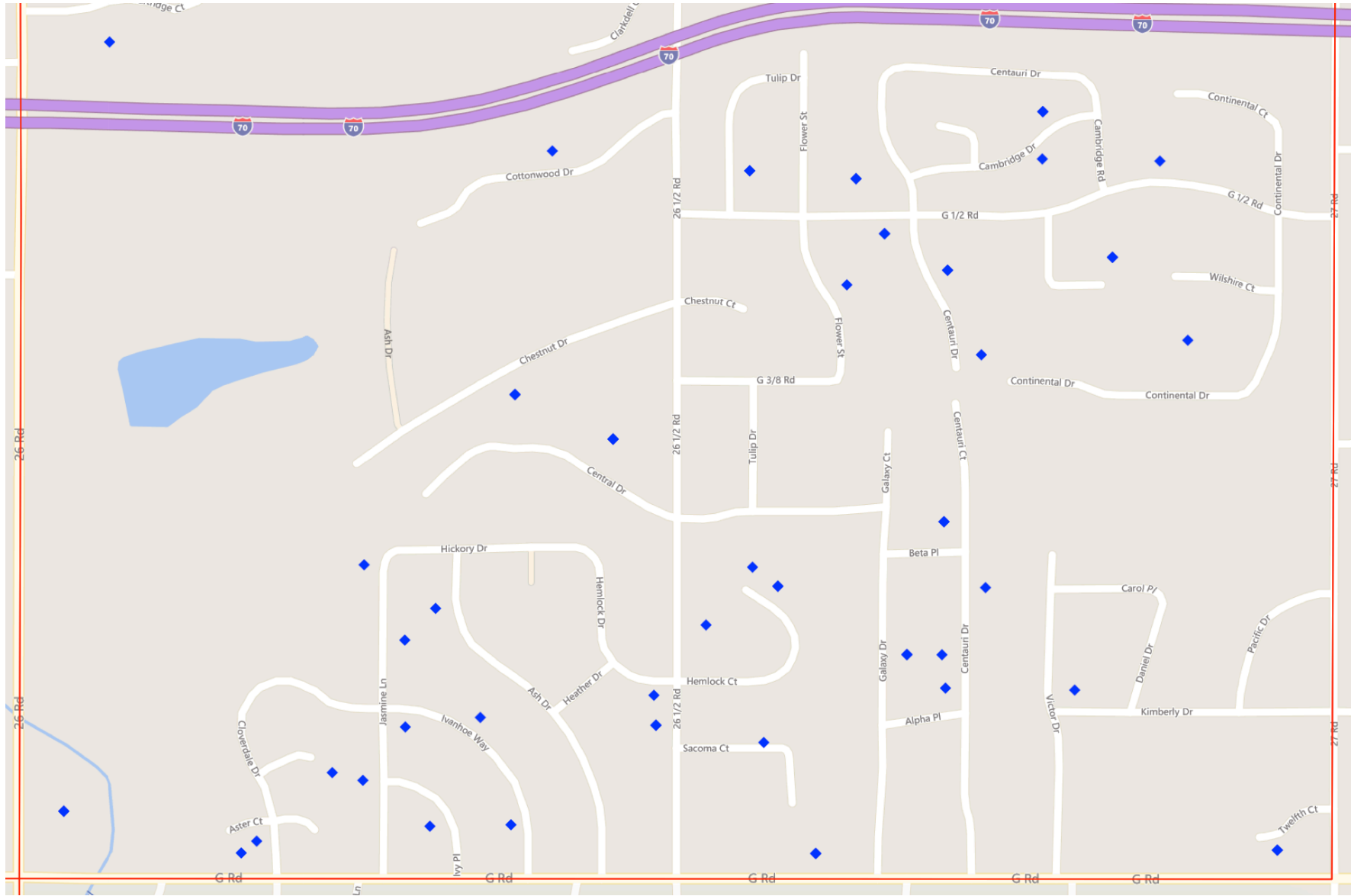
# Shift Areas Descriptions

- Appleton to Pomona
  - The area bounded on the north by G Rd.,
  - On the west by Business 70 / U.S. 50 and
  - On the east by 25 Rd.
- Pomona to Tope
  - The area bounded on the north by I-70
  - On the west by 26 Rd.,
  - On the east by 27 Rd. and
  - On the south by G Rd.





Appleton to Pomona – Street Detail



Pomona to Tope – Street Detail



# Gradual Change

- Phased change starting with next year's kindergarteners, new move-in's and families electing to change
- Gradual five-year transition
- Transportation provided to the extent possible
- Eventually the 100+ Pomona students north of I-70 will transition to Appleton or a new school and the 100+ Appleton students south of I-70 will transition to Pomona creating a natural boundary at I-70
- School-of-choice and transfer options will vary school-to-school



# Next Steps

- On-line survey for parents, teachers and staff
- Board of Education action

## Discussion / Questions

- Are you noticing housing growth in the area?
- Do you think we should manage school size with boundary changes or portables?
- Do the scenarios make sense to you?
- Please complete the survey online.

