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The holes are real, and should be kept.  The lines are drawn up politically, and have always favored one neighborhood over another.

As to the transfer process, yes, any parent can apply to have their student attend any school they wish.  They may not receive transportation service, but students are free to attend other schools than their neighborhood school.  Roughly 30% of our students attend a school other than their neighborhood school.

Hope this helps.

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