Subject matter experts from member libraries decide which eJournals are acquired or renewed.

OhioLINK staff members negotiate with publishers for the best price and package.

OhioLINK signs the contract and coordinates authentication and access for all institutions.

Member libraries vote to accept, or reject, a publisher’s offer.

The articles can then be accessed by students, faculty, and staff.

Publishers (Wiley, Elsevier, Springer, Sage, ACS, IOP, ACM, OSA) make articles available through:

And OhioLINK’s Electronic Journal Center (EJC), where OhioLINK staff loads, verifies and maintains content.
Rewarding Partnerships

OhioLINK has been building relationships with content providers for 20-plus years. Because of this long history and the 500,000-plus college students, faculty and staff it represents, OhioLINK is able to deliver unrivaled intellectual assets at beneficial pricing for Ohio’s academic community. In the short and long term, millions of dollars are saved.

In 2015–16, OhioLINK negotiated, invoiced and managed published digital content worth approximately $43 million on behalf of its 121 member libraries. Consortium subject matter experts decide which journals, databases and e-books OhioLINK should renew or purchase.

EJC Rebuild

In 2016, OhioLINK completed a major upgrade to the EJC. Twenty-six million EJC journal articles representing more than $300 million of digital content assets were successfully migrated to a more stable and modern database architecture. Improvements in the upgrade include:

- New database architecture meeting standards for modern applications and optimized ease of updates;
- Responsive interface;
- Improved searching and refinement features;
- Reading List feature allowing for article saving;
- Metadata and display correction/enhancement capability for OhioLINK staff.