

OPLIN Mail Servers

OPLIN currently has two active mail servers for public libraries to use when setting up their own email clients or networks. Not only is this setup optimal for efficiency and security purposes, but it also allows us to segregate personal user-generated email from bulk mail so that the bulk mail does not slow down our main server.

Please note that neither one of our mail servers requires SMTP authentication for now, but may in the future.

1) <http://mail.oplin.org>

Libraries should use this mail server when setting up regular email clients (e.g, Mozilla Thunderbird, Windows Live Mail) for staff. For those who do not use email clients, *this is also the URL to access the OPLIN webmail interface.*

2) <http://lists.oplin.org>

Libraries should use this mail server to set up library notifications from ILS (catalog) servers, distribution lists, and any other mass mailings because it is registered as a bulk mail sender with sites, such as Google and AOL.

Therefore, this server is less likely to get blocked as a spammer. Also, we may eventually enable the SMTP authentication requirement on mail.oplin.org but never on lists.oplin.org. *This is also the server that hosts both OPLIN and public listservs (mailing lists).*

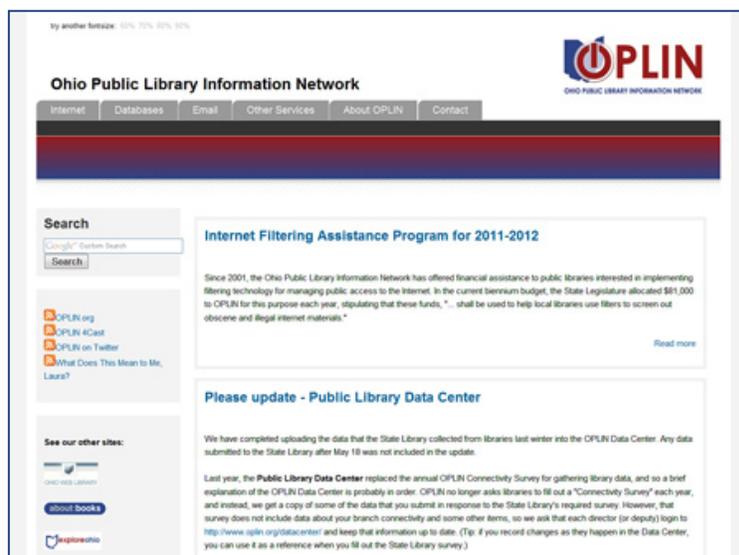
For additional information and updates, please visit: <http://www.oplin.org/mail-servers>

“New & Improved” OPLIN Website

OPLIN recently launched a revised and reorganized version of our website in September: <http://www.oplin.org>.

Same site address, same basic content. However, we changed the menu structure to four main tabs – Internet, Databases, Email, and Other Services – to correspond to the primary services that OPLIN offers to public libraries. Of course, we still included the usual “About OPLIN” and “Contact” tabs for quick access to general and support information. This new revision makes finding useful information much easier and more intuitive. Also, we updated the content and removed any outdated material and missing links in addition to adding some new relevant pages.

If you still find any incorrect information or missing links, please let us know at support@oplin.org.





Upcoming E-Rate Information

E-Rate provides discounts to assist schools and libraries in obtaining affordable telecommunications services and Internet access. These annual discounts can range from 20-90%, which can be a critical source of additional funds for public libraries, especially with widespread budget cuts.

Lorrie Germann, Educational Technology Consultant at eTech Ohio, will present two separate upcoming E-Rate workshops to assist public libraries in completing Form 470 and Form 471. The workshops will be held at the State Library of Ohio with videoconferencing available to the Ohio Regional Library Systems.

The dates are listed below:

- **E-Rate Workshop (Form 470): November 3, 9AM – 3:30PM**
- **E-Rate Workshop (Form 471): Date/Time TBD**

For more information, visit <http://oh.webjunction.org/oherate> or <http://oh.webjunction.org/oheratewrks>.



New Database Tutorials

Brief instructions on how to access usage statistics and marketing materials.

Database Usage Statistics (<http://www.oplin.org/statistics>)

Ancestry Library Edition:

- Go to <http://ancestrylibrary.proquest.com/alereports> from within your library.
- This link should recognize your library IP address and provides options for statistics delivery.

Mango Languages:

- Go to <https://libraries.mangolanguages.com> from any Web browser.
- Login at this link using **support@oplin.org** (username) and **statistics1** (password).
- Click on the “Statistics” tab and allow several minutes for the statistics to load.
- Then choose your library from the “Member Accounts” drop-down menu.
- Pull down the menu and start typing your library’s name to quickly find it.

Database Promotional Materials (<http://www.oplin.org/marketing-materials>)

Ancestry Library Edition:

- Check out <http://www.proquest.com/en-US/catalogs/databases/detail/ale.shtml> OR
- <http://www.library.ohio.gov/Marketing/Libraries/AncestryLibraryEdition>

Mango Languages:

- Go to <https://libraries.mangolanguages.com> from any Web browser.
- Login using **support@oplin.org** (username) and **statistics1** (password).
- Click on the “Promote” tab to find a variety of resource categories.
- Then select the category of interest to find specific items to download.



OPLIN Happenings & Reminders

We recently published our annual **OPLIN Connectivity Data** on September 1. This data includes details about Internet connections and Internet computers at all Ohio public library buildings. Connectivity Data is available on our website at:

<http://www.oplin.org/content/ohio-public-library-connectivity-data>

The OPLIN Board is pleased to welcome two new members:

- *Jill Billman-Royer* – President of Southwest Public Libraries Board, consultant with Burges and Burges, and advisor to several libraries on various issues.
- *Rebecca Schultz* – Technology Coordinator for Portsmouth PL since 1997.

Both new members began their terms at the August 12 OPLIN Board meeting.

Events Calendar

Friday, 10/14
OPLIN Board Meeting

Thursday, 10/20
State Library Board Meeting

Wed, 10/26 – Fri, 10/28
OLC Convention & Expo

Thursday, 11/3
E-Rate 470 Workshop

Friday, 11/18
OLC Board Meeting

Friday, 12/9
OPLIN Board Meeting

Tuesday, 12/13
State Library Board Meeting



Holidays

Monday, 10/10
Columbus Day,
OPLIN CLOSED

Friday, 11/11
Veterans Day,
OPLIN CLOSED

Thursday, 11/24
Thanksgiving,
OPLIN CLOSED

Monday, 12/26
Christmas (Observed),
OPLIN CLOSED

Monday, 1/2
New Year's Day (Observed),
OPLIN CLOSED



Recently launched Web Kits:

Champaign County Library
<http://champaign.lib.oh.us>

Kate Love Simpson Morgan County PL
<http://www.morgan.lib.oh.us>

Mount Gilead Public Library
<http://mglibrary.org>

<http://www.oplin.org/portfolio>

Issues or questions?

Contact **OPLIN Support** directly by writing to support@oplin.org, or visiting <http://support.oplin.org>.