



## OverDrive Cooperative Purchase Program Overview

### Eligibility

The Panhandle Library Access Network, Inc. (PLAN) Cooperative Purchase Group for e-books, e-audiobooks, and e-magazines provides participating libraries with significant cost-savings and access to a much larger collection. All PLAN member public libraries are invited to join this group. Membership in the group requires committing to a multi-year contract with the content vendor OverDrive.

### Membership Costs

Annual contract costs are tiered by legal population served. A third of the annual fee covers system maintenance and hosting costs, while the balance is used to purchase content for shared use by the cooperative. The annual content allowance of member libraries is pooled into a centralized budget for the use of a selection committee who will purchase materials on behalf of the cooperative.

Current annual fee schedule:

Contract Level	Legal Service Area	Total Cost	Hosting Fee	Content Fee
Tier 1	0 - 10,000	\$2,000	\$400	\$1,600
Tier 2	10,001 - 50,000	\$4,000	\$800	\$3,200
Tier 3	50,001 - 100,000	\$8,000	\$1,600	\$6,400
Tier 4	100,001 - 200,000	\$14,000	\$2,800	\$11,200
Tier 5	200,001+	\$22,000	\$4,400	\$17,600

Any member library may spend beyond the annual content fee for additional materials. Additional funds intended for shared content can be applied to either the selection committee's shared collection or the individual library's collection. While the member retains purchasing control with the latter,

content purchased through a cooperative account is shared across PLAN members. The expenditure of additional funds not channeled to the selection committee is the sole responsibility of the individual institution.

### **Advantage Collections**

Although encouraged to do so, libraries are not required to share additional purchased content with the cooperative. All members may create Advantage or Advantage Plus accounts with OverDrive. Advantage content is restricted to that library's individual patron base. Content from Advantage Plus accounts may be shared or permanently transferred to the cooperative. Shared Advantage Plus content is available to other cooperative members, but hold priorities are granted to the purchasing institution's patron base. All libraries choosing to spend beyond their annual content fees with either Advantage or Advantage Plus accounts are responsible for their own ordering, and will be invoiced directly by OverDrive.

### **Program Withdrawal**

Should a PLAN member choose to withdraw from the program, that library forfeits all content purchased by the central selection committee or under an individual cooperative account to remaining cooperative members. The withdrawing library retains ownership of any content purchased through an Advantage account. Members retain ownership for all content shared from an Advantage Plus account. Any content permanently transferred from an Advantage Plus account to the shared collection remains with the cooperative.