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The EBL Platform Upgrade for TAEBDC

To whom it may concern,

We apologize for the delay in upgrading TAEBDC members to our new eBook platform, Ebook Central, because of the unexpected technical issues in developing consortia functionalities in the new platform. We are trying our best to address the issues and expect to upgrade TAEBDC members to the new platform in January 2017. Following are some main points about the new platform, Ebook Central.

To upgrade the TAEBDC consortium to Ebook Central in January, 2017

Any Consortia member customers who also have their own individual account with EBL and /or Ebrary will be upgraded on the same date as the Consortium account.

Single platform

If a member library also has an individual account with Ebook Central, the Ebook Central site can be set up to provide both consortia and individual library holdings on the same Patron site.

Ebook Central does support IP authentication.

Using our "guest" access functionality, the username/password login can be suppressed until the patron tries to download or print the eBook. Given our publisher requirements, we must ask the patrons to sign in with their individual username/password before performing download or print actions. Note that if a patron wishes to save the eBook to a bookshelf, they also need to sign in using their individual username/password so that the bookshelf can be associated with that individual patron.

No need to select individual institution from a TAEBDC member list

Each member library of the consortium would be provided with their own SiteID (URL). When the patrons access Ebook Central using the member's library's URL, then they will not be prompted to select an individual institution from a TAEBDC member list. This is the same way that consortia functionality currently functions in Ebrary.

Please let me know if you have any question about the platform upgrade.

Best regards.

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