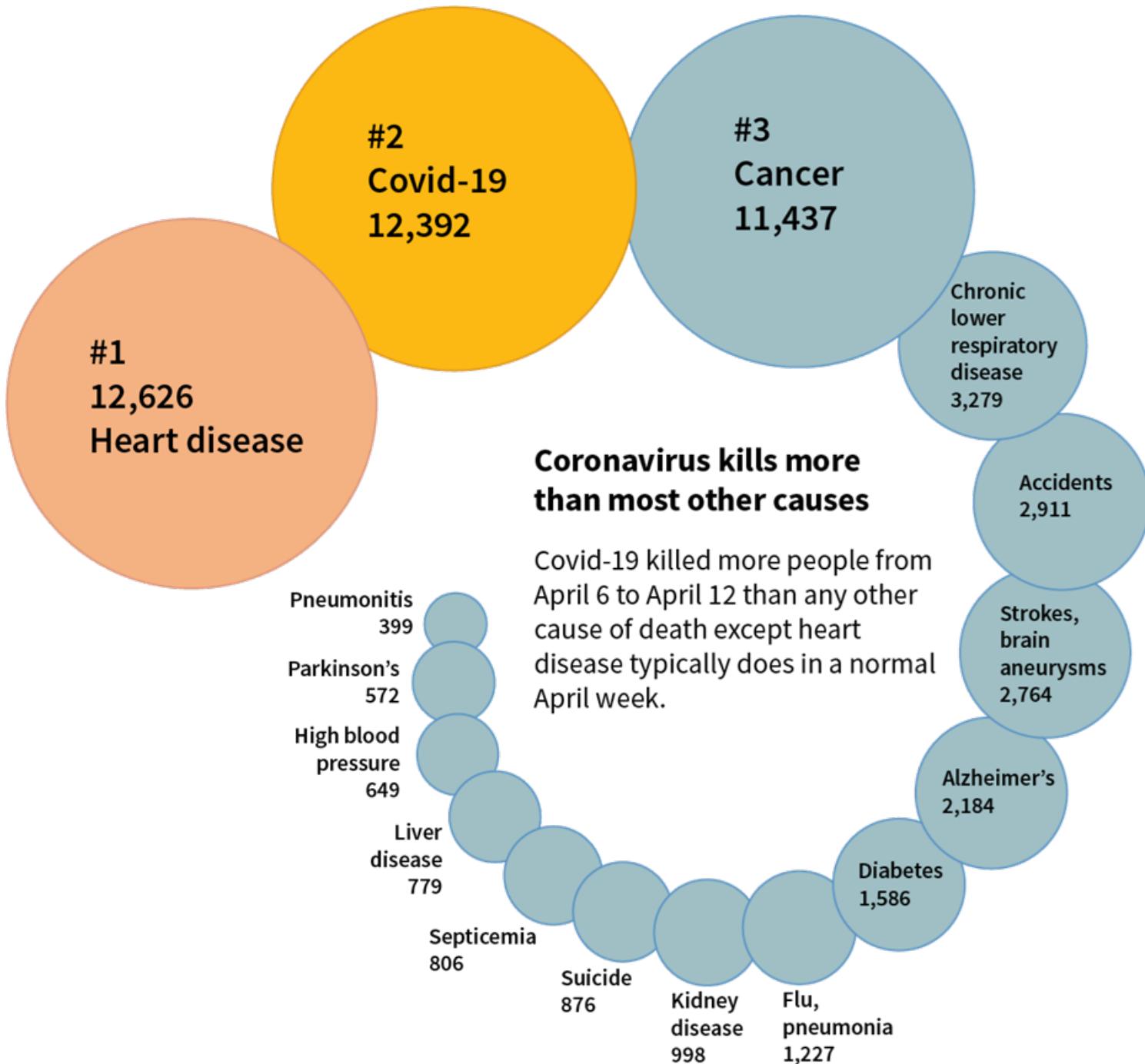




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STATE AND NATIONAL GUIDANCE/EXECUTIVE ORDERS/NEWS

Gov. Gavin Newsom today gave an update on the state's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. (All daily news conferences are streamed *live at noon* on his [Twitter page](#) and the [California Governor Facebook page](#).) You can find more information on [California's COVID-19 website](#).

[The governor today announced](#) he is appointing former Democratic presidential candidate and billionaire Tom Steyer to co-chair the a new state Task Force on Business and Jobs Recovery. The task force will be dedicated to helping resource-starved communities to recover from the coronavirus-fueled recession. [You can find the full list of task force members here.](#) (Please note: today's update had a number of audio issues and has not been posted as of distribution time.)

Gov. Newsom on Thursday [signed an executive order](#) addressing a variety of issues in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including adjusting admissions requirements for the California State University system and providing flexibility for 60 days on background checks for critical infrastructure sectors.

The Legislative Analyst's Office on Thursday [provided an overview of the state's budget](#), which is expected to suffer a \$35 billion shortfall in 2020-21.

California Attorney General Xavier Becerra on Thursday [defended the statewide shutdowns](#) happening because of the COVID-19 pandemic.

People in San Francisco and several other Bay Area counties [will be required to wear face coverings](#) beginning at midnight tonight.



SYSTEM GUIDANCE

The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office invites you to join our Virtual Town Hall, which will kick off the first-ever Board of Governors Virtual Advocacy Day. Chancellor Eloy Ortiz Oakley, members of the Board and Chancellor's Office staff will be advocating for system priorities, including additional funds and resources necessary in the wake of the COVID-19 crisis, to support the California Community Colleges and our students. The Virtual Town Hall will also feature members of the Legislature and a moderated student panel. The Town Hall begins at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 22 and participants are [required to register in advance at this link](#).

Vice Chancellor for College Finance and Facilities Planning Lizette Navarette on Thursday released [memorandum FS20-04 – Attendance Accounting Implications and Guidance](#), along with an accompanying FAQ. This information is posted on the [Chancellor's Office Communications to Colleges](#) section of the [Chancellor's Office COVID-19 resource page](#). We encourage all staff, faculty and students regularly check this page as it is updated daily.



[The California State University will temporarily suspend the use of ACT/SAT examinations](#) in determining admission eligibility for all CSU campuses for the 2021-2022 academic year. This temporary change of admission eligibility applies only for the fall 2021, winter 2022 and spring 2022 admission cycles.



ONLINE INSTRUCTION

The California Virtual Campus-Online Education Initiative (CVC-OEI) offers a number of online events to continue to help faculty and staff with the transition to virtual learning. Upcoming seminars include:

NetTutor: Translating In-Person Strategies to be Effective in Online Tutoring Sessions

Monday, April 20 at 1:00 – 1:30 p.m.

Colleges can use NetTutor and Pisces together to provide 24/7 access to tutoring. Pisces allows colleges' local tutors to provide online tutoring during the days and times they are available. NetTutor then supplements that availability. [Register at this link](#).

Additionally, CVC-OEI continues to host weekly drop-in hours with its instructional design team. You can find all upcoming events on the [CVC-OEI Events page](#).

For online instruction support requests, please contact [CVC-OEI](#).



RESOURCES

The California Community Colleges Chancellor's Office and the Center for Urban Education will provide a [six-part webinar series](#) that will provide strategies for faculty and administrators to exercise agency on behalf of the most vulnerable students. The first webinar is: The Importance of Equity-Minded Virtual Practices during COVID-19 and is scheduled for Thursday, April 23 from 12:00 – 1:30 p.m. [Register for the webinar here](#).

The California Department of Education and Wellness Together are offering a three-part webinar series that will facilitate an ongoing discussion to highlight practices, programs and policies to strengthen student supports in the midst of school closures. The third webinar in this series will be next Thursday, April 23, from 1:00 – 2:30 p.m. It's a free event, but RSVP is required for attendance and space is limited. [Find more information here](#).

College practitioners can find COVID-19 resources, information, and community within the [Vision Resource Center](#). Create an account or log in. Under the "Connect" menu, visit "All Communities" and look for the "CCC | COVID-19 Resources, Tools and Discussion" section. Click "Join Community" to access the content within.



STUDENT SUPPORTS

We encourage everyone in need to reach out for help. Teens can talk to another teen by texting "TEEN" to 839863 from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m., or call 1-800-852-8336 from 6:00 – 10:00 p.m. The California Youth Crisis line runs 24 hours a day, seven days a week: [800-843-5200](#). The [National Suicide Prevention Lifeline](#) provides confidential assistance to anyone in crisis and their loved ones through a live chat and free 24-hour hotline at [800-273-8255](#). You can also text the Crisis Text Line at [741741](#).

For our LGBTQ students, information and support is offered through a number of other resources as well. Contact the Trevor Project by calling [1-866-488-7386](#) or text START to 678678 for 24/7 information and suicide prevention resources. The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender National Hotline is available from 1:00 – 9:00 p.m. at [1-800-273-8255](#). Or you can call or text the Victims of Crime Resource Center at [1-800-842-8467](#) or chat online for information about LGBTQ rights, legal protections and local resources.

[CVC-OEI has a full page of resources dedicated to helping students transition to online learning.](#) Resources include a number of videos on how to prepare for and succeed in a virtual classroom, as well as an overview of Canvas. The page also details the companies offering free or low-cost internet access across the state.



UNEMPLOYMENT RESOURCES

California's Employment Development Department maintains [a list of resources](#) that people can receive while going through the unemployment process. La página también está disponible [en español](#).

Lost your job due to the coronavirus? [Here are your health care options](#) in California.



HOW TO HELP

Philanthropic and corporate partners, as well as those looking to make a major gift or grant, are encouraged to contact the [Foundation for California Community Colleges](#). Individual donations are also being accepted through the Foundation and will be deployed to individual colleges supporting students impacted by lost wages, campus closures and the transition to distance education caused by COVID-19. [Check here for more details on how to give now.](#)

The [California Volunteers website](#) has a list of nonprofit organizations and food banks that are in dire need of volunteers, supplies and financial help.



OTHER INFORMATION

Expecting a relief check but haven't received it yet? [This could offer some answers](#) on the missing money.

TIP OF THE DAY

Services and public benefits are available to immigrants living in California, some regardless of immigration status. [The state has posted a helpful guide](#) for what immigrants need to know to protect themselves and their families from coronavirus.

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