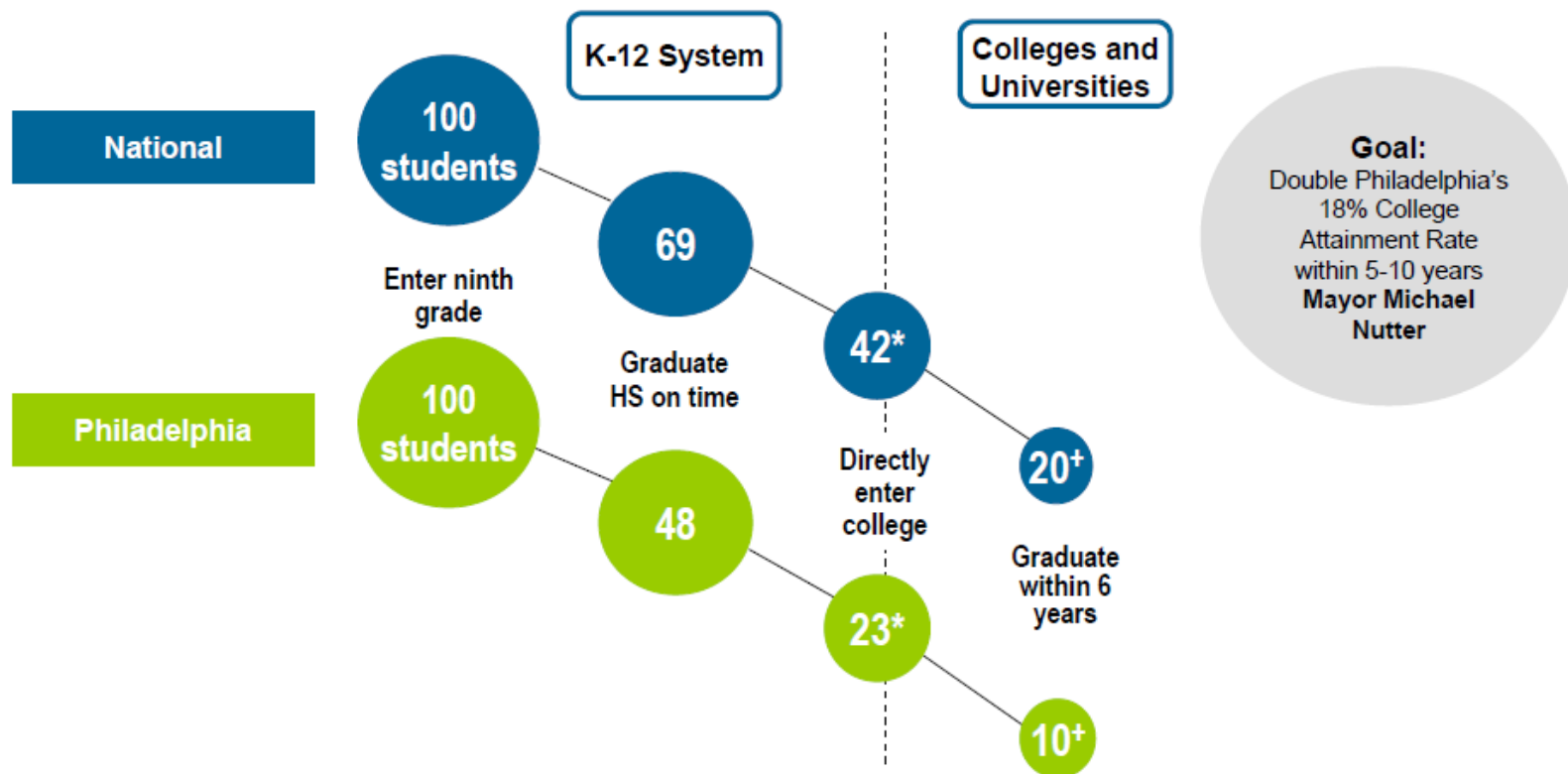


# Executive Summary: What is the Pipeline of College Graduation for Philadelphia 9<sup>th</sup> Graders?

Philadelphia lags behind national rates for college going and completion.



\* "Directly enter college" for the national cohort is defined as matriculation in a two or four year college within *first semester*. "Directly enter college" for the Philadelphia cohort is defined by matriculation in a two- or four- year college within *first year* after graduating high school. In the remainder of this report we defined this as matriculation within *first semester*.

+ "Graduation within 6 years" for the national cohort and the Philadelphia cohort include two and four year degrees. However, the national figure only includes two year degrees obtained within three years.