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Hundreds of teen-age scientists will be competing in district science fairs in March for a chance to display their projects at the seventh annual state fair at Montana State University, Missoula, April 6 and 7, according to Dr. R. A. Diettert, chairman of the MSU Botany Department and director of the Montana Science Fair.

District winners will vie at the state fair for grand prizes entitling a boy and a girl to expense paid trips to the National Science Fair at Seattle, Wash., May 2-5, Dr. Diettert said.

Superior, excellent, good and honorable mention ribbons will be given in each of the 10 categories in the Senior Division (grades 10, 11, 12), and award ribbons to four places will be given in each of the four categories of the Junior Division (grades 7, 8, 9).

Several other awards and scholarships will be given, including a Navy Science Cruise to a sophomore or junior boy, two Missoula Exchange Club \$300 scholarships, and MSU scholarships to seniors with high scholastic records, the director said. Applications for the cruise and for MSU scholarships must be received by Dr. Diettert by March 30.

To be eligible for the Montana Science Fair, a student must place in one of the 14 district fairs scheduled in March. The deadline for applications for entering the state fair is March 30.

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