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Nineteen coeds are in the running for the title of "Miss Montana State University," which will be awarded Jan. 6, according to pageant director Louis Garcia, Hunter Air Force Base, Ga.

Miss MSU will compete in the Miss Montana Pageant in Billings next summer that will select the state's entry in the annual Miss America Pageant in Atlantic City, N. J., Garcia said. The MSU pageant is an official preliminary to the Miss America event, he explained.

In the course of the Miss MSU Pageant, candidates will appear in evening gowns and bathing suits and will be judged on talent, poise and personality as well as appearance.

Candidates are Kay Edwards, Big Bend National Park, Tex.; Marcia Meagher, Sunburst; Maggie Phalen, Chinook; Beverly Simpson, Mandan, N. D.; Marti Davis, Spokane, Wash.; Pat Jones, Billings; Tedie Rudis, Chicago, Ill.; Barbara Young, Kansas City, Mo.; Marlene Murphy, Columbus.

Dina Riddle, Libby; Penny Warden, Kalispell; Jane Thomas, Mandan, N. D.; Anne Erickson, Great Falls; Wendie Wilson, Great Falls; Gwen McLain, Havre; Carol Nelson, Blackfoot, Idaho; Catherine Van Aelstyn, Missoula; Mary Ann Shugrue, Butte, and Bernadette Burke, Butte.

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